

2015 Project Abstract

For the Period Ending December 30, 2016

PROJECT TITLE: State Parks and Trails Land Acquisition

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FUNDING SOURCE: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund

LEGAL CITATION: M.L. 2015, Chp. 76, Sec. 2, Subd. 9a

APPROPRIATION AMOUNT: \$1,500,000

Overall Project Outcome and Results

Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund funding resulted in the Department of Natural Resources acquiring approximately 358 acres of land within the statutory boundaries of four Minnesota State Parks.

- Acquired 147 acres in Minneopa State Park comprises and protects rare and endangered species such as the American bald eagle, western foxsnake, shovel sturgeon and small white lady's slipper are documented in this Minnesota River corridor.
- Acquired 100 acres in St. Croix State Park. This acquisition provides needed access to the north end of the State Park. It will preserve unique and valuable wildlife habitat, and a trout stream on the property.
- Acquired 109 acres in Myre-Big Island State Park to preserve many wetlands and a small oak grove. The land also contains a large restored prairie planted with local genotype seed.
- Partially funded approximately 2 acres of land in Crow Wing State Park. This property provides protection of the Crow Wing River shoreline at the confluence of the Mississippi River.

Project Results Use and Dissemination

These project results and dissemination have been communicated through updated state park and state trail maps reflecting state managed land instead of private in-holdings, and are identified as public land open to be used and enjoyed by all visitors.

Signage at the above listed locations lists ENRTF as a funding source for these State Parks.



Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) M.L. 2015 Final Report

Date of Report: December 30, 2016
Date of Next Status Update Report: Final Report
Date of Work Plan Approval: June 11, 2015
Project Completion Date: June 30, 2018
Does this submission include an amendment request? No

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Location: Statewide

Total ENRTF Project Budget:	ENRTF Appropriation:	\$1,500,000
	Amount Spent:	\$1,500,000
	Balance:	\$ -0-

Legal Citation: M.L. 2015, Chp. 76, Sec. 2, Subd. 9a

Appropriation Language:

\$1,500,000 the first year is from the trust fund to the commissioner of natural resources to acquire at least 322 acres for authorized state trails and critical parcels within the statutory boundaries of state parks. State park land acquired with this appropriation must be sufficiently improved to meet at least minimum management standards, as determined by the commissioner of natural resources. A list of proposed acquisitions must be provided as part of the required work plan. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2018, by which time the project must be completed and final products delivered.

I. PROJECT TITLE:

State Parks and State Trails Land Acquisitions

II. PROJECT STATEMENT:

This State Parks and State Trail land acquisition proposal is to acquire 358 acres of the state's highest priority parcels that contain critical natural and cultural resources to protect, preserve and enhance Minnesota's outdoor heritage and environmental stewardship.

Currently, the DNR does not own approximately 16% (42,800 acres) of land located within the statutory boundary of the 67 Minnesota State Parks and eight State Recreation Areas. Minnesota has 25 statutory authorized State Trails. The DNR currently owns 50% of the land needed to complete the State Trail system.

The main benefits of State Park and State Trail land acquisitions are to provide long-term, consolidated management of pristine natural areas representative of diverse landscapes throughout the entire state of Minnesota. Other land acquisition benefits include:

- Riparian buffers along rivers, wetlands, creeks and lakes
- Preservation of significant ecological, plant and animal communities
- Reduction of fragmentation and potential development impacts of fragile ecosystems
- Protection of view sheds and locally significant historical sites and cultural resources
- Connectivity between local communities to share and better understand our resources

Each State Park and State Trail amenity goes through a rigorous master planning process which includes a public input component to identify desired boundaries and corridors. DNR has identified and ranked each in-holding parcel and manages a general statewide priority list that is reviewed annually. This ENRTF proposal is to acquire the highest priority State Park in-holdings statewide with significant ecological values and key parcels of land located within designated State Trail corridors from willing sellers.

III. OVERALL PROJECT STATUS UPDATES:

Activity Status as of October 15, 2015:

MnDNR is actively processing and negotiating purchase price for all four activities. Two activities are expected to close by the end of the calendar year.

Activity Status as of April 18, 2016:

MnDNR has closed two of the four activities in this workplan: Activity 1-Minneopa State Park, 147 acres, closed on April 16, 2016 and Activity 3-Myre-Big Island State Park, 109 acres, closed on November 19, 2015.

Amendment requests are listed below to redirect funds from unsuccessfully negotiated project to replacement projects, and to correct minor changes from budgeted amounts to actual amounts.

LCCMR approved amendment request on April 21, 2016.

Activity Status as of October 1, 2016:

MnDNR has successfully closed two of the four listed acquisition activities. MnDNR has secured binding agreements on the other two acquisitions at St. Croix State Park and Crow Wing State Park.

An amendment request for below listed increases/decreases are to correct minor changes between budgeted and actual costs for professional services and transaction related service costs associated the acquisition projects. 1) Request increasing Activity #1 - Minneopa State Park in the amount of \$1,663 to cover the cost of professional services 2) Request increasing Activity #2 - St. Croix State Park in the amount of \$790 to cover the cost of professional services, which includes costs for an unsuccessful acquisition at Banning State Park 3) Request increasing in Activity #3 - Myre-Big Island State Park in the amount of \$1,418 to cover the cost of professional

services 4) Request reducing Activity #4 - Crow Wing State Park in the amount of \$3,871 to cover additional project cost within available funding allocation. Another funding source will be used if additional costs are incurred with these acquisition projects. LCCMR approved amendment request on October 12, 2016.

FINAL PROJECT SUMMARY: Overall Project Outcome and Results

Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund project funding for the State Parks, State Recreation Areas and State Trails Land Acquisition project resulted in the Department of Natural Resources acquiring 358 acres of land located within the statutory boundary of four State Parks.

Acquired 147 acres of land located inside Minneopa State Park statutory authorized park boundary. This acquisition protects rare and endangered species such as the American bald eagle, western foxsnake, shovel sturgeon and small white lady slipper are documented in this Minnesota River corridor.

Acquired 100 acres of land located within St. Croix State Park statutory authorized park boundary. This acquisition provides much needed access to the northern end of Minnesota’s largest State Park. It also protects wildlife habitat and a trout stream on the property.

Acquired 109 acres of land located inside Myre-Big Island State Park statutory authorized park boundary. This acquisition preserves many wetlands and a small oak grove. It also contains large restored prairie planted with local genotype seed.

Partially funded approximately 2 acres of land located inside Crow Wing State Park statutory authorized park boundary. This acquisition provides protection of the Crow Wing River shoreline at the confluence of the Mississippi River adjacent to existing DNR ownership.

IV. PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES:

ACTIVITY 1: Minneopa State Park Land Acquisition

Description:

Acquire 147 acres of land located within the statutory authorized boundary of Minneopa State Park. According to the natural heritage database, rare and endangered species such as the American bald eagle, western foxsnake, shovel sturgeon and small white lady slipper are documented in this corridor. While not river frontage, the land is adjacent to Minnesota River shoreline. Acquisition will protect potential cultural resources, provide for sustainable wildlife habitat and new hiking, bird watching and interpretive programming opportunities. It is located adjacent to existing DNR ownership along the river corridor which will contribute to the consolidated management efforts to maintain and restore native vegetation as well as protection of the river view shed.

An amendment request is being made on October 15, 2015 to increase Activity 1 amount by \$45,000 and to reduce Activity 4 by \$45,000, and the professional services to be reduced by \$9,500 to accommodate a larger than anticipated purchase amount. As a result, the professional services are reduced from \$15,000 to \$5,500 and the fee title amount is increased from \$435,000 to 489,500. Approved by LCCMR staff on 10-16-2015.

At the December 10, 2015 LCCMR meeting, members reviewed and approved the request in your memo (attached) regarding M.L. 2015 Chapter 76, Sec. 2, Subd 9(a), State Parks and State Trails Land Acquisitions, to acquire a 147-acre parcel in Minneopa State Park at 110% of the appraised value. This approval required commission action to comply with M.L 2015 session law requirement in M.L. 2015, Chp. 76, Sec. 2, Subd. 14, 6(h) that addresses paying more than appraised value for a property with ENRTF funds.

Summary Budget Information for Activity 1:

ENRTF Budget: \$ 496,663
Amount Spent: \$ 496,663
Balance: \$ -0-

Outcome	Completion Date
1. Acquire 147 acres of land in Minneopa State Park	June 30, 2018

Activity Status as of October 15, 2015: This parcel has been appraised and DNR is actively negotiating with the landowner on the value.

Activity Status as of April 18, 2016: This acquisition closed on April 16, 2016.

Activity Status as of October 10, 2016: This acquisition closed and is completed as of April 16, 2016. Outstanding professional services and transaction charges are still being processed for this project.

Final Report Summary December 30, 2016: DNR acquired, on behalf of the public, 147 acres of land within Minneopa State Park comprised of rare and endangered species such as the American bald eagle, western foxsnake, shovel sturgeon and small white lady's slipper are documented in this Minnesota River corridor. All outstanding charges to be paid by LCCMR funds have been expended. Any additional transaction related charges will be paid by another funding source.

ACTIVITY 2: St. Croix State Park Land Acquisition

Description:

Acquire approximately 100 acres located within the statutory authorized boundary of St. Croix State Park. This property would provide needed access to the northern end of the largest State Park in the Minnesota system and contains a wolf den, and a trout stream on the property. A portion of the Matthew Lourey State Trail would also be secured. This state trail connects to other state forest recreation amenities and would provide additional outdoor recreation activities, would also be secured.

An amendment request is being made on April 18, 2016 to increase Activity 2 by \$102,750 and to reduce Activity 4 by \$102,750 to replace an unsuccessful acquisition and accommodate a larger purchased amount. As a result, the fee title amount is increased from \$125,000 to \$228,540. The amount spent on St. Croix State Park is \$225,000, which paid for the purchase price. The transaction related expenses for St. Croix State Park were paid by another funding source. The total amount spent includes funds spent for an unsuccessful acquisition attempt at Banning State Park in the amount of \$3,540.

Summary Budget Information for Activity 2:

ENRTF Budget: \$ 228,540
Amount Spent: \$ 228,540
Balance: \$ -0-

Outcome	Completion Date
1. Acquire 100 acres of land in St. Croix State Park	June 30, 2018

Activity Status as of October 1, 2015: The DNR is processing paperwork to appraise this property. Appraisal is anticipated by the next status update in April 2016.

Activity Status as of April 18, 2016: The Banning State Park landowner rejected MnDNR's offer, so these funds are being requested to increased and redirected to an acquisition project listed in the 2016 LCCMR proposal to

acquire 100 acres from a willing landowner at St. Croix State Park. The landowner has accepted the MnDNR offer.

Activity Status as of October 10, 2016: The MnDNR has a signed option and is working through some title issues with the landowner before the transaction can close. Title issues are anticipated to be resolved in a timely manner.

Final Report Summary December 30, 2016: DNR acquired, on behalf of the public, 100 acres of land within St. Croix State Park on October 19, 2016. This acquisition provides needed access to the northern end of the State Park. It also protects wildlife habitat and a trout stream on the property.

ACTIVITY 3: Myre-Big Island State Park Land Acquisition

Description:

Acquire 109 acres of land located within the statutory authorized boundary of Myre-Big Island State Park. This property contains many wetlands and a small oak grove. It also contains large restored prairie planted with local genotype seed that is representative of pre-settlement landscape. The prairie seed collected from this parcel could be harvested as a good seed source for the DNR to use for other grassland restoration projects in the area. This property has a high risk of residential development pressure, or to be tilled for agriculture purposes.

An amendment request is being made on October 10, 2015 to increase Activity 3 amount by \$150,000 and to reduce Activity 4 by \$150,000, and the professional services are to be reduced by \$15,000 zero because they will be paid by other state funds to accommodate a larger than anticipated purchased amount. As a result, the professional services are reduced from \$15,000 to \$0 and the fee title amount is increased from \$375,000 to \$525,000. Approved by LCCMR 10-16-2015.

An amendment request is being made on April 18, 2016 to increase Activity 3 by \$4,052 to pay for transaction related expenses and to decrease Activity 4 by \$4,052. As a result, the fee title amount for Activity 3 is increased from \$525,000 to \$530,470 and Activity 4 is decreased from \$355,000 to \$244,327.

Summary Budget Information for Activity 3:

ENRTF Budget: \$ 530,470
Amount Spent: \$ 530,470
Balance: \$ -0-

Outcome	Completion Date
1. Acquire 109 acres of land in Myre-Big Island State Park	June 30, 2018

Activity Status as of October 1, 2015: The DNR plans to acquire ~109 acres in Myre-Big Island State Park before the end of the calendar year.

Activity Status as of April 18, 2016: The DNR acquired 109 acres in Myre-Big Island State Park on November 19, 2015.

Activity Status as of October 10, 2016: This acquisition closed and is completed as of November 19, 2015. Outstanding professional services and transaction charges are still being processed for this project.

Final Report Summary December 30, 2016: DNR acquired, on behalf of the public, 109 acres of land within Myre-Big Island State Park on November 19, 2015. This acquisition preserves many wetlands and a small oak grove. It also contains large restored prairie planted with local genotype seed. All outstanding charges to be

paid by LCCMR funds have been expended. Any additional transaction related charge are paid by another funding source.

ACTIVITY 4: Crow Wing State Park Land Acquisition

Description:

Partially fund the acquisition of approximately two acres of land located within the statutory authorized boundary of Crow Wing State Park. This property would provide riparian protection and preservation of 300 feet of Crow River shoreline at the confluence of the Mississippi. This property is one of the two last parcels along the peninsula that would add approximately one mile of shoreline along the Crow River. This parcel allow for the opportunity to protect and preserve one of the last undeveloped tributaries along the Mississippi River for upland habitat and river users.

An amendment request is being made on April 18, 2016 to replace Goodhue Pioneer State Trail Land acquisition due to unsuccessful negotiations with the landowner with the partial funding of the Crow Wind State Park Land Acquisition and to decrease Activity 4 by \$102,750 and to increase Activity 2 by \$102,750 to replace an unsuccessful acquisition and accommodate a larger purchased amount and to increase Activity 3 by \$4,052 to pay for transaction related expenses. As a result, the fee title amount for Activity 4 is decreased from \$355,000 to \$244,327.

Summary Budget Information for Activity 4:

ENRTF Budget: \$ 244,327
Amount Spent: \$ 244,327
Balance: \$ -0-

Outcome	Completion Date
1. Acquire +/- 2.25 acres of land within statutory boundary of Crow Wing State Park	June 30, 2018

Activity Status as of October 1, 2015: The DNR is waiting for our partner to have successful negotiations with the landowner for this acquisition.

Activity Status as of April 18, 2016: The DNR’s partner was unable to secure an agreement with the landowner for the Goodhue Pioneer State Trail. DNR is asking for the funds to be reduced to increase costs in Activity 2 and Activity 3, and to redirect funds to partially fund an acquisition listed in the 2016 LCCMR proposal.

Activity Status as of October 10, 2016: The MnDNR has a signed option and anticipates closing by the end of the calendar year 2016.

Final Report Summary December 30, 2016: DNR acquired, on behalf of the public, 2.24 acres of land within Crow Wing State Park on October 11, 2016. This acquisition provides protection of the Crow Wing River shoreline at the confluence of the Mississippi River adjacent to existing DNR ownership. All outstanding charges to be paid by LCCMR funds have been expended. Any additional transaction related charges will be paid by another funding source.

V. DISSEMINATION:

Description:

Update state park and state trail maps and website as land and the new trail corridor becomes available for public use. Possible media event, or press release after an acquisition closes.

Final Report Summary:

VI. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY:

A. ENRTF Budget Overview:

Budget Category	\$ Amount	Overview Explanation
Fee Title Acquisition:	\$ 1,483,827	Propose to acquire 359 acres with the title to be held by the State of Minnesota, Department of Natural Resources.
Professional Services for Acquisition:	\$ 16,173	Professional service expenses and other transaction related charges including, but not limited to, the appraisal, survey and title work necessary for the proposed land acquisitions.
	\$	
TOTAL ENRTF BUDGET:	\$ 1,500,000	

B. Other Funds:

Source of Funds	\$ Amount Proposed	\$ Amount Spent	Use of Other Funds
State			
Parks and Trails Legacy FY16	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	Supplement existing funding sources for state park and state trail land acquisitions.
2014 Bonding	\$ 250,000		Supplement existing funding sources for state park and state trail land acquisitions.
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS:	\$ 750,000	\$	

VII. PROJECT STRATEGY:

A. Project Partners:

Local state parks and state trails support groups. It is also anticipated that the Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota will continue to play a critical role in the negotiation and timely acquisition prior to State acquisition.

B. Project Impact and Long-term Strategy:

Acquire critical parcels within State Park and State Recreation Area statutory boundaries and within statutory authorized State Trail corridors. The state currently owns about 85% of the 268,000 acres within State Park and State Recreation Area boundaries and expects approximately \$5 million worth of private in-holding parcels inside the statutory boundary will become available from willing sellers each year. With the continued support of the LCCMR, the Department of Natural Resources Division of Parks and Trails expects to keep moving forward to acquire critical parcels for preservation, recreation, education and habitat restoration.

C. Funding History:

Funding Source and Use of Funds	M.L. 2008	M.L. 2009	M.L. 2010	M.L. 2011 (2 years)	M.L. 2013
ENTF	\$1,500,000 Subd 3h	\$1,590,000 Subd 4a & 4b	\$1,750,000 Subd 4d	\$3,000,000 Subd 4b	\$1,000,000 Subd 4a

Capital Bonding	\$2,400,000		\$2,150,000		
Parks and Trails Legacy				\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000

VIII. FEE TITLE ACQUISITION/CONSERVATION EASEMENT/RESTORATION REQUIREMENTS:

A. Parcel List:

State Parks, State Recreation Areas and State Trails maintain an active priority list for future acquisitions. The list evolves as new parcels are added to the statutory boundary of a park or the status of a parcel changes when more information is evaluated.

B. Acquisition/Restoration Information:

Fee Title Acquisition

1. Describe the selection process for identifying and including proposed parcels on the parcel list, including explanation of the criteria and decision-making process used to rank and prioritize parcels.

The DNR-Parks and Trails Division utilized a two-filter evaluation process to identify and help prioritize parcels on the willing sellers list.

The first filter is for each state park manager to assign a priority ranking for the private parcels within the statutory boundary of that park. The regional park managers review these rankings before submitting the priority report to the Acquisition and Development Section of the Division of Parks and Trails. This first filter priority ranking helps us decide if a greater assessment is needed. The ranking is divided into four levels of priority, A through D. An A-ranking includes lands considered highest importance to mission and management of the state park, such as high resource or recreational potential.

This second filter evaluation looks in greater detail at a wide range of factors that determine the importance for acquiring the parcel. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following: rare geological feature, quality or quantity of natural or cultural resource present, historic buildings or cultural sites, riparian protection, high restoration potential, view shed preservation, threat due to development or timber harvesting, buffer potential, provide link to other recreation opportunities, such as a trail connection, develop new recreational facility, or improved trail system, expand a facility, provide better access to park or facilities, eliminate fragmented parcels for better management, address urgency to acquire due to landowner’s needs, resolve visitor safety concerns, funding leverage with potential partnerships and bargain sale opportunity.

Then there are internal discussions to determine which parcels should be included in the proposals. During a funding cycle, the funding proposal list may be revised due to failed negotiations or another priority parcel may be identified.

When another parcel is identified for acquisition, the Park Manager discusses the priority ranking with the Regional Manager and/or the Acquisition Program Coordinator. If they determine the site requires greater evaluation, the park manager is asked to fill out the Acquisition Proposal Form.

The Regional Park Manager, Manager of Acquisition and Development, and Acquisition Program Coordinator evaluate these factors and descriptions on the acquisition proposal form. They discuss what other priority acquisitions are available, and the current funding status, and then decide whether to present the new parcel to the Division Director.

The Division Director determines if staff proceeds with the acquisition. Depending on the funding availability and/or urgency of the acquisition, staff pursues the acquisition with current funds or the parcel is placed on our priority list for future acquisitions as funding is available. The commissioner of natural resources shall approve acquisitions when the land acquisition property is identified as a high priority, or meets the objectives and criteria identified in the applicable acquisition plan for the intended management status of the property.

- 2. List all adopted state, regional, or local natural resource plans in which the lands included in the parcel list are identified. Include a link to the plan if one is available.**

http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/input/mgmtplans/parks/strategic/0212_pat_strategic_plan.pdf

- 3. For any parcels acquired in fee title, a restoration and management must be prepared. Summarize the components and expected outcomes of restoration and management plans for parcels acquired by your organization, how these plans are kept on file by your organization, and overall strategies for long-term plan implementation, including how long-term maintenance and management needs of the parcel will be financed into the future.**

The State Parks and Trails resource management staff is responsible for the restoration and management of the natural/undeveloped areas not planned for facilities. For restoration efforts like converting an old field to a prairie, bonding and Legacy funds are eligible and used. Legacy monies and other sources, such as general fund and the State Parks working capital fund are used for long-term maintenance of the communities once the site has been restored.

Any restoration needs will be determined in accordance with each state park and/or state trail master plan. Any additional operations, maintenance and/or restoration costs required to manage the additional land will be determined and taken into consideration during the next budget planning cycle. Additional costs are not anticipated to be a significant amount of increase, and will be absorbed with existing staffing and within pre-existing Division restoration plans.

- 4. For each parcel to be conveyed to a State of Minnesota entity (e.g., DNR) after purchase, provide a statement confirming that county board approval will be obtained.**

For State Park and State Trail acquisitions, county board approval is not required, nor obtained.

To enhance and maintain positive working relationships on mutually beneficial state park and state trail acquisitions, DNR follows Ops Order 6 procedures that include county notification verification.

IX. VISUAL COMPONENT or MAP(S):

See attached Exhibit maps.

X. RESEARCH ADDENDUM:

N/A

XI. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

Periodic work plan status update reports will be submitted no later than October 1, 2015, April 1, 2016, October 1, 2016, April 1, 2017, October 1, 2017 and April 1, 2018. A final report and associated products will be submitted between June 30 and August 15, 2018.

**Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund
M.L. 2015 Project Budget**



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ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND BUDGET	Activity 1 Budget	Amount Spent	Activity 1 Balance	Activity 2 Budget	Amount Spent	Activity 2 Balance	Activity 3 Budget	Amount Spent	Activity 3 Balance	Activity 4 Budget	Amount Spent	Activity 4 Balance	TOTAL BUDGET	TOTAL SPENT	TOTAL BALANCE
BUDGET ITEM	Acquire 147 acres of land in Minneopa State Park			Acquire 100 acres of land in St. Croix State Park, and transaction related costs for unsuccessful acquisition at Banning State Park			Acquire 109 acres of land in Myre-Big Island State Park			Acquire a portion of approximately 2 acres of land in Crow Wing State Park					
Fee Title Acquisition	\$489,500	\$489,500	\$0	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$0	\$525,000	\$525,000	\$0	\$244,327	\$244,327	\$0	\$1,483,827	\$1,483,827	\$0
Acquire estimated 359 acres in fee title. If successful, the State of Minnesota, Department of Natural Resources will hold the title.															
Professional Services and Transaction Costs for Acquisition	\$7,163	\$7,163	\$0	\$3,540	\$3,540	\$0	\$5,470	\$5,470	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,173	\$16,173	\$0
COLUMN TOTAL	\$496,663	\$496,663	\$0	\$228,540	\$3,540	\$0	\$530,470	\$530,470	\$0	\$244,327	\$0	\$244,327	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$0

Notes: 10/15/15 Requesting an increased Activity #1 by \$45,000 and an increase in Activity #3 by \$150,000 and decreased activity #4 by \$195,000 to \$355,000 to accommodate a higher than expected valuations and accepted offers.
 4/18/16 - 1) Requesting changing the Activity #2 from Banning State Park to St. Croix State Park and an increase Activity #2 budget by \$102,750 2) Requesting Activity #3 increasing \$4,052 for professional services and transaction costs 3) Requesting changing Activity #4 from Goodhue-Pioneer State Trail to Crow Wing State Park and a decrease Activity #4 budget by \$104,052.
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M.L. 2015 Parcel List

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M.L. 2015 ENRTF Appropriation: \$ 1,500,000

Project Length and Completion Date: 3 Years, June 30, 2018

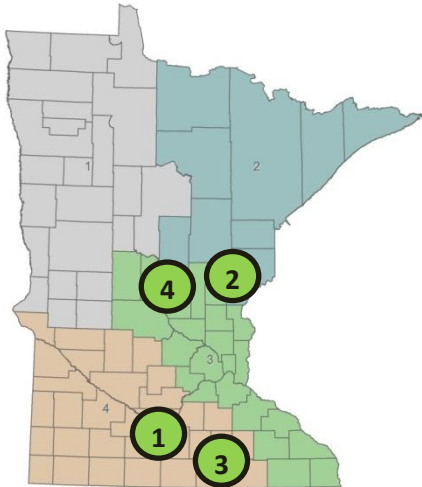
Date of Report: December 30, 2016

#	Acquisition or Restoration Parcel Name	Geographic Coordinates Format: [Deg.]° [Min.]' [Sec.]" [Hemis.]		Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual PILT Liabilities	County	Site Significance	Activity Description	# of Acres	# of Shoreline Miles	Type of Landowner	Proposed Fee Title or Easement Holder (if applicable)	Status
		Latitude	Longitude										
1	Minneopa State Park	44 12 06.0	-94 08 51.6	\$489,500	\$3,671	Blue Earth	Rare and endangered species such as the American bald eagle, western foxsnake, shovel sturgeon and small white ladyslipper are documented in this corridor.	Fee Title	147	0	Private	MnDNR	Closed
2	St. Croix State Park	46 0 16.5	-92 33 2.5	\$225,000	\$1,688	Pine	This property would provide access to the northern end of the State Park contains a wolf den, and a trout stream on the property.	Fee Title	100	0	Private	MnDNR	Closed
3	Myre Big Island State Park	43 38 42.0	-93 21 14.3	\$525,000	\$3,938	Freeborn	This property contains many wetlands and a small oak grove. It also contains large restored prairie planted with local genotype seed.	Fee Title	109	0	Private	MnDNR	Closed
4	Crow Wing State Park	46° 16' 58.0" N	94° 20' 44.3" E	\$273,000	\$2,048	Cass	Protection of the Crow Wing River shoreline at the confluence of the Mississippi River adjacent to existing DNR ownership.	Fee Title	2	300 feet	Private	MnDNR	Closed
<p>NOTES: 10/15/15 Requested an increased Activity #1 by \$45,000 and an increase in Activity #3 by \$150,000 and decreased activity #4 by \$195,000 to \$355,000 to accommodate a higher than expected valuations and accepted offers. Approved by LCCMR 10-16-2015.</p>													

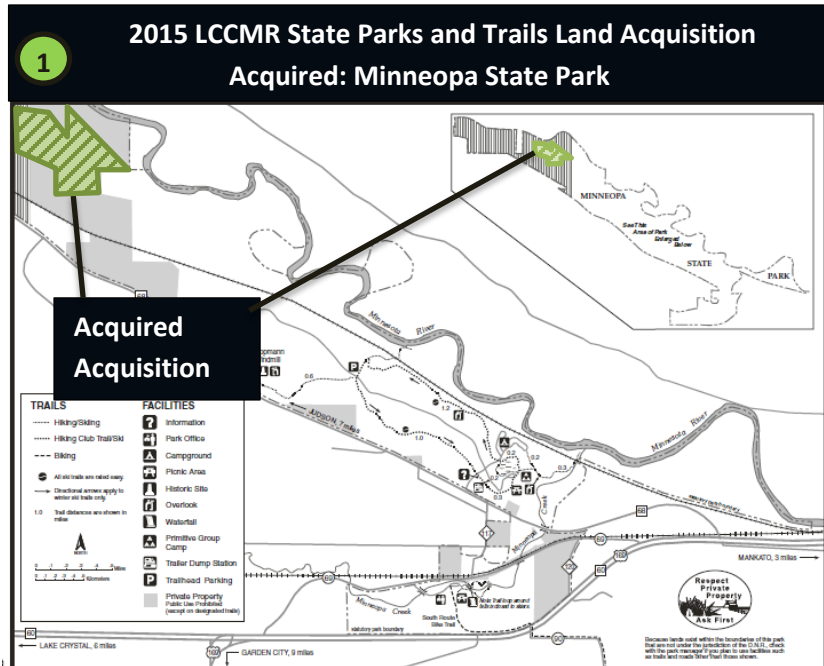
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9/30/16--Readjusted cost and PILT estimates based on purchase price rather than total acquisition costs.

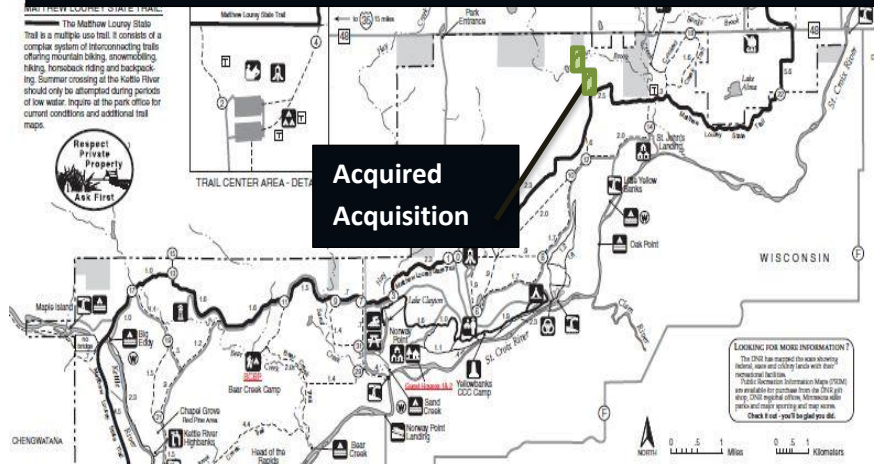
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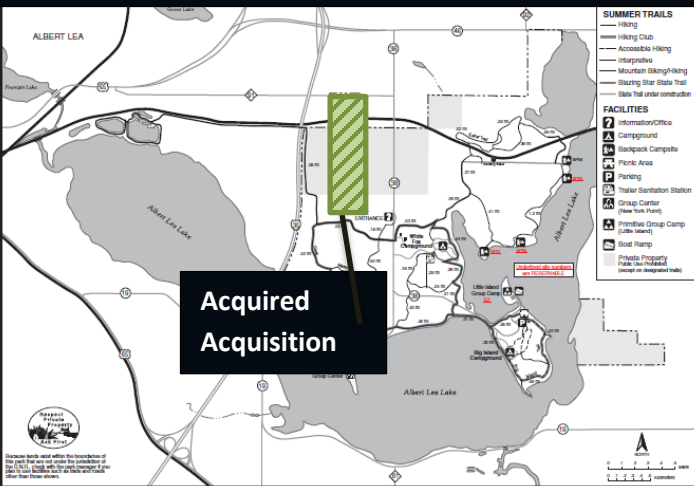
Map #	Facility Name	County
1	Minneopa State Park	Blue Earth
2	St. Croix State Park	Pine
3	Myre-Big Island State Park	Freeborn
4	Crow Wing State Park	Cass



2015 LCCMR State Parks and Trails Land Acquisition Acquired: St. Croix State Park



2015 LCCMR State Parks and Trails Land Acquisition Acquired: Myre-Big Island State Park



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The DNR has mapped this area showing historical, open and closing lands with their respective status.
Public Recreation Information Maps (PRIM) are available for purchase from the DNR's map shop. DNR regional offices, Minnesota sales and service centers, and the website www.dnr.state.mn.us Check it out - you'll be glad you did.

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Acquired: Crow Wing State Park

