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Comments: I wholeheartedly support the proposed FS acquisition of approximately 80,000 acres of School Trust lands and 3,200 acres of St. Louis County lands within the BWCAW and approximately 17,000 acres of TCF lands outside of the BWCAW but within the Superior National Forest boundary

This purchase will settle the long-term problem of Minnesota schools not being able to realize any economic gain from the parcels it was awarded before the national forest was designated.

It will also ensure that the lands in question will remain open to the public, and that a similar sized area outside the designated Wilderness will not be opened to extractive uses that would degrade it visually, harm water quality and the numerous natural attributes of the designated Wilderness.