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Comments: Thank you for this opportunity to comment on such an important decision. I am strongly in favor of the proposed sale of School Trust Lands and additional lands within the Superior National Forest for a number of reasons

First, this purchase by the federal government will ensure the protection of all lands within the Boundary Waters Wilderness area for future generations. Second, this purchase will provide funding for public education, therefore fulfilling the original intent of the 19th century School Trust Lands act. Third, by adding protected land to the Superior National Forest will help provide access to the natural beauty of Minnesota to more people.

This purchase will help balance the long standing conflict of the original intent of the School Trust Lands and the preservation of the Boundary Waters Wilderness. Thank you for taking my comment into consideration and for your efforts to preserve the natural beauty of our great state!