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Comments: I strongly support the federal purchase of the 80,000 acres of state school trust lands inside the BWCAW, and the 3,200 acres of St. Louis County land included in the land purchase package.

A federal purchase will increase the efficiency of administering and protecting the BWCAW as a Wilderness, and prevent future state or county governments from developing these lands.

Congress created the Land and Water Conservation Fund for just such purposes.

At the age of 68, I've just completed my second hiking/camping trip this year and cannot express how wonderful it is to experience the beauty of this country. We need to do all we can to preserve our wilderness.