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Comments: *I support the federal purchase of 80,000 acres of state school trust lands and 3,200 acres of St. Louis County land within the BWCAW.

*A federal purchase would improve the efficiency of managing and protecting the BWCAW as Wilderness and prevent potential development by state or county governments.

*A federal purchase would generate more income for Minnesota's Permanent School Fund than a land exchange, as analyzed by the Timberjay newspaper and others.

*Contrary to local legislators' claims, the purchase is legal under the Weeks Act, and the Land and Water Conservation Fund was established for such purposes.