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Comments: I have several times canoed in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) when I returned to Wisconsin and joined relatives. to visit the area.

The school trust lands inside the BWCAW and the tax-forfeited St. Louis County lands do not have wilderness protections currently, and these lands inside the BWCAW could be developed in the future.

The DNR (Department of Natural Resources) and Forest Service now are proposing a federal purchase of these school trust lands within the BWCAW, using monies from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. I support this.

I support the Forest Service to move ahead with the federal purchase of these school trust lands within the BWCAW, and to ignore the plea from the state legislators for a land exchange.

Thank you.