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

A federal purchase will increase will protect the BWCAW as a Wilderness, and prevent future local governments from developing this area, providing more income to Minnesota's Permanent School Fund than a land exchange (Timberjay newspaper.)

This federal purchase is also perfectly legal under the Weeks Act. Furthermore, Congress created the Land and Water Conservation Fund for situations like this.