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Comments: Dear US Forest Service & DNR,

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

This purchase will only increase the efficiency of administering and protecting the BWCAW as a Wilderness, and prevent future developing these lands, leaving them for future generations.

And federal purchase will provide far more income to Minnesota's Permanent School Fund than would a land exchange, according to local Timberjay newspaper and others.

Unlike the assertions of the five GOP local legislators, (who are beholden to the fossil fuel industries and other corporate donors to their campaigns), a federal purchase is perfectly legal under the Weeks Act. Congress created the Land and Water Conservation Fund for just such purposes, to preserve these precious lands untouched by corporate interests. Please do the right thing. Thank you. Steev (213) 924-9091