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Comments: I 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.

This purchase would help protect the BWCAW as a Wilderness, and prevent future state or county governments from developing these lands.

According to analyses by the local Timberjay newspaper and others, a federal purchase of this land will provide more income to Minnesota's Permanent School Fund than a land exchange.

Such a federal purchase is perfectly legal under the Weeks Act. Congress created the Land and Water Conservation Fund for such purposes.