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Comments: A federal purchase will increase the efficiency of administering and protecting the BWCAW as a Wilderness, and so 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.

A federal purchase is perfectly legal under the Weeks Act. Furthermore, Congress created the Land and Water Conservation Fund for just such purposes.

A federal purchase will make administration of the BWCAW more efficient and provide far more money to the Permanent School Fund than would a land exchange.