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Comments: Hello US Forest Service,

I'm writing in my support of using federal funds to purchase school trust lands within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and the adjacent St. Louis County land. The purchase will protect our Wilderness Area from future development and will provide income to Minnesota's School Fund. A win-win! Utilizing Congress' Land & Water Conservation Fund is a legal and efficient means to do this.

Recognizing the local voice is important when making decisions like these. This agreement has been agreed upon by you (USDA) and the local agency (Minnesota Depart of Natural Resources). Both agencies have done their due diligence and have determined this to be of mutual benefit. Let's not draw this out any longer. Sign the papers and let's protect some of the wild land we have left and provide funding to local agencies.

Thank you for listening!