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I fully support this land purchase instead of the previously proposed land exchange. A lot of effort and study has gone into this project and it is time to complete the purchase and protect the BWCA and the surrounding Superior National Forest in perpetuity. This sale should be finalized as quickly as possible now that all the "ducks are in a row" and all parties have agreed that this is in everyone's best interests.

My dad Wes Libbey was a friend of Sig Olson's and he along with Adolf Anderson and others in the Izaak Walton League helped establish the BWCA in the first place. He would be pleased with this solution after years of uncertainty.

This will provide money for the School Trust Fund, add public land to the Superior National forest and consolidate the USFS holdings in the BWCA-A big win for the public, the environment all parties involved.

I feel time is of essence as the political winds could change at any time and scuttle this well thought out solution after years and years of negotiations.

Thank you for arriving at the best solution possible. I'm a lifelong resident of Northern Minnesota and have seen many changes over the years-Increased development, forest fragmentation, loss of habitat, shoreline clearing ETC, The BWCA has stands out as a jewel in the north protecting water quality, wildlife and the wilderness experience. It is time to "Get'er Done" and quit "Quit kicking the can down the road." Thank You Very Much!