



AMENDED (*)
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA
Board of Commissioners, St. Louis County, Minnesota

August 10, 2021
Immediately following the Board Meeting, which begins at 9:30 A.M.
Liz Prebich Room, Government Services Center, Virginia

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and/or non-controversial and will be enacted by one unanimous motion. If a commissioner requests, or a citizen wishes to speak on an item on the consent agenda, it will be removed and handled separately.

Minutes of August 3, 2021

Health & Human Services Committee, Commissioner Boyle, Chair

1. Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program Grant Acceptance [21-338]

Finance & Budget Committee, Commissioner Nelson, Chair

2. Acceptance of County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant [21-339]

Environment & Natural Resources Committee, Commissioner Musolf, Chair

3. Right of Way Easement Exchange Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Frederic D. Miller et al. (Unorg Twp 63-17) [21-340]
4. Right of Way and Utility Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Terry E. Thene (Gnesen 53-14) [21-341]
5. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Nordlund [21-342]
6. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – LeMoyne [21-343]
7. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Catlin [21-344]
8. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Dement (Parcel 100-0042-00160) [21-345]
9. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Dement (Parcel 100-0071-00280, 00360) [21-346]
10. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Enquist [21-347]
11. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Lester (Parcel 676-0010-01412, 01414) [21-348]
12. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Lester (Parcel 010-1350-06050) [21-349]
13. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Surla [21-350]
14. Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Kraabel [21-351]
15. Withdrawal of State Tax Forfeited Land from Memorial Forest Status [21-352]
16. Conveyance of State Tax Forfeited Land to Town of Morse [21-353]
17. Sale of Tax Forfeited Land to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa [21-354]
18. Authorization to Apply for and Accept MN Board of Water & Soil Resources SSTS Abatement Grant [21-355]
19. Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial [21-356]

REGULAR AGENDA:

For items on the Regular Agenda, citizens will be allowed to address the Board at the time a motion is on the floor.

Finance & Budget Committee, Commissioner Nelson, Chair

1. **American Rescue Act Plan Funds, St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program [21-357]**
Resolution approving the establishment of and funding for a Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program.
2. **Approval of a Broadband Infrastructure Grant – Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC) [21-358]**
Resolution approving the Broadband Infrastructure Grant program application from Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC).

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee, Commissioner Jewell, Chair

1. **Consulting Services for Real Property Appraisal and Negotiations for the Voyageur Landfill in Canyon [21-359]**
Resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with Stoel Rives, LLP to conduct a real property appraisal, a title search, and property acquisition assistance of the Voyageur Industrial Landfill in Canyon.
2. **Closed Session**
The County Attorney has requested a closed session of the Committee of the Whole for litigation purposes. It is requested that the County Board convene a closed session immediately after the Board meeting adjourns.

Health & Human Services Committee, Commissioner Boyle, Chair

- *1. **Required Face Coverings in all St. Louis County Buildings [21-361]**
Resolution requesting, effective immediately, a face covering requirement for all county employees and visitors to county facilities, regardless of vaccination status, when inside facilities and office owned or operated by the county.

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS:

Commissioners may introduce items for future discussion, or report on past and upcoming activities.

ADJOURNED:

Because the next scheduled Board Meeting will not be held until September 7, 2021, the County Board may reconvene to address these agenda items.

NEXT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING DATES:

September 7, 2021	Government Services Center, 320 W. 2 nd Street, Duluth, MN
September 14, 2021	Virginia Courthouse, 300 S. 5 th Ave., Virginia, MN
September 28, 21	Alborn Community Center, 6388 Hwy 7, Alborn, MN

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 3, 2021

Location: Government Services Center, Duluth, Minnesota

Present: Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Grimm, McDonald, Musolf, Nelson and Chair Jugovich

Absent: Commissioner Grimm

Convened: Chair Jugovich called the meeting to order at 11:31 a.m.

Commissioner Grimm entered the meeting at 11:32 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Boyle/McDonald moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed. (7-0)

- Minutes of July 27, 2021
- Cooperative Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation to Complete Pedestrian Improvements on CSAH 138 [21-328]
- Execute a Grant Agreement with the State of Minnesota and Cooperative Agreement with Voyageur Country ATV Club for Various Segment Improvements [21-329]
- Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation FY 2022 Regional Trails Grant Application – Four ATV Club Trail Improvements to Various Segments [21-330]
- Abatement List for Board Approval [21-331]
- Right of Way Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to William T. Foreman (Grand Lake Twp 52-16) [21-332]
- Adjoining Owner Sales [21-333]
- Public Sale of State Tax Forfeited Properties [21-334]

Time Specific Presentation

At 11:33 a.m., St. Louis County Deputy Administrator Brian Fritsinger gave the Committee a brief overview of the proposed renovation of the County Board Room. Deputy Administrator Fritsinger said that the proposed layout was preliminary and county administration was open to feedback from Commissioners. St. Louis County Property Management Director Jerry Hall commented that a study found that lumens emitted from the current lighting in the County Board Room was well below Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards. In addition, to blend in with the historic architecture of the Courthouse, woodwork will be color matched with existing woodwork.

Public Works & Transportation Committee

McDonald/Nelson moved that Board Resolution No. 21-290, adopted on May 11, 2021, to hereby be amended as follows: To increase the total cost of liquid calcium chloride delivered and applied cost to \$1,070,000.00 plus increase alternates to a cost of \$147,000.00 for new total cost of \$1,217,000.00. [21-335]. St Louis County Public Works Director Jim Foldesi said that dry conditions have caused safety

issues due to limited visibility from dust clouds. Funding is available in the Public Works budget due to cost savings realized from new cutting blade technology; the new blades are lasting much longer than anticipated. Commissioner Nelson noted that additional chloride will only help once we get moisture, so we may not see immediate results. After further discussion, the motion passed. (7-0)

McDonald/Musolf moved that the St. Louis County Board authorizes the estimated purchase of salt at the State of Minnesota Contract price from Morton Salt, Inc., of Chicago, IL, for a maximum delivered cost of \$1,199,570.00, payable from Fund 200, Agency 207021, Object 651700; and further, authorizes the purchase of brine at the State of Minnesota Contract price Envirotech Services, Inc., of Denver, CO, and KTech Specialty Coatings, Inc., of Ashley, IN, at the estimated delivered cost of \$75,000.00, payable from Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 651700. [21-336]. Director Foldesi commented that there was a modest price increase, and the agreement allows the county to keep the flexible quantity in place. The motion passed. (7-0)

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee

Jugovich/Jewell moved that, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 163.11, the County Board hereby revokes the following right-of-way, which shall revert to Halden Township: All of the public road right-of-way lying north of the intersection of Savanna Road/County Road 186 and Floodwood Road in the Town of Halden, St. Louis County, specifically revoking the portion of Savanna Road/County Road 186 beginning at the southern-most part of parcels 390-0010-00330 in the west and 390-0010-00120 in the east and running north until Savanna Road/County Road 186's terminus; and further, that the Clerk of the County Board shall send two (2) certified copies of this Resolution to the Halden Township Board of Supervisors. [21-337]. St. Louis County Senior Attorney Chris Pinkert said that an amended petition was filed because the petitioner purchased additional parcels. Attorney Pinkert noted that a public hearing was held on August 2, 2021, at the Halden Town Hall, and no one in attendance at the public hearing objected to the proposed revocation. The motion passed. (7-0)

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Jewell exited the meeting at 12:16 p.m.

Commissioner Nelson briefly discussed customer service and the need for the county to re-emphasize the importance of providing customer service to citizens.

At 12:19 p.m., Grimm/Boyle moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed. (6-0, Jewell absent)

Mike Jugovich, Chair of the County Board

Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 338

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Family Homeless Prevention
and Assistance Program Grant
Acceptance

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Linnea Mirsch, Director
Public Health & Human Services

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

Children will be born healthy, live a life free from abuse and neglect, and will have a permanent living arrangement. Adults will live in the least restrictive living arrangement that meets their health and safety needs.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize the St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Department to accept \$880,990 from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program for the 2021-23 biennium (October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2023).

BACKGROUND:

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency has grant funds available through the Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program (FHPAP) to nonprofit organizations and counties. St. Louis County has applied for and received funding since 1995.

FHPAP funds are used to assist families with children, youth/unaccompanied youth, and single adults who are homeless or are at imminent risk of homelessness. Funds are used for a broad range of activities aimed at homelessness prevention, minimizing episodes of homelessness, and eliminating repeat episodes of homelessness. Each area project designs its own service delivery system to achieve these goals, using approaches that make sense at the local community level. In St. Louis County those services include supportive services (housing search and information, case/care management, and landlord/tenant assistance), and direct financial assistance (rent payment assistance, rental deposit assistance, and utility payment assistance.) Administrative fees cannot be more than 10% and must be shared with providers.

St. Louis County was originally awarded \$822,616 from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program for the 2019-21 biennium and accepted under Board Resolution No. 19-331. There were two increases of \$215,045 and \$22,350 during this current grant cycle for a total grant amount of \$1,060,011. Funds were distributed among already FHPAP approved community partner agencies.

The award granted for the next biennium is \$880,900. This represents a 4.5% reduction for the grant adjusted to a 24-month grant cycle (October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2023). The FHPAP Review Team will meet to determine re-allocation of the funds for contracting with our sub-grantees. St. Louis County will be the fiscal agent for the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the Public Health and Human Services Department to accept the grant award of \$880,990 by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program for the 2021-2023 biennium.

Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program Grant Acceptance

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency awards grant funds to counties to fund services for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness, and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has applied for and received funding from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program since the 1995-1997 biennium to fund services for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Health and Human Services Department to accept grant funding in the amount of \$880,990 from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for the Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program for the time period of October 1, 2021 through September 30th, 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That Public Health and Human Services staff are authorized to follow the recommendations of the FHPAP Review Committee, enter into agreements with sub-grantees accordingly, and increase the revenue and expense budget in 2021 with any adjustments to be made in the 2022 and 2023 budgets accordingly if there are any unspent funds or overspent funds not to exceed the grant funding of \$880,990

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 530701, Grant 23204, Year 2021
Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 629900, Grant 23204, Year 2021
Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 607200, Grant 23204, Year 2021

Exhibit A
GRANT APPROVAL FORM

This form must be completed for any and all grants.

SECTION I—GRANT INFORMATION *(to be completed by department's assigned accounting staff)*

Please Note: It is acceptable that some details are later added (once the grant is awarded).

GRANT NAME: Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program **GRANT PERIOD:** 10/01/2021
(if known) *(begin date)*
GRANTOR: Minnesota Housing 09/30/2023
(end date)
FUND: 230 **AGENCY:** 232001 **GRANT:** 23204 **GRANT YEAR:** 2021

Indicate the source of funds—*(check all that apply)*

☐ **Local**—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) *(Accept)*

Local Agency: _____

☒ **State**—Object Code: 530701 Amount: \$880,900 Amount: _____
(Apply) *(Accept)*

State Agency: _____ Award #: _____

☐ **Federal**—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) *(Accept)*

Grant Agreement (State Contract) #: _____
(if federal dollars are passed through state)

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____
(if applicable) *(if applicable)*

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____
(if applicable) *(if applicable)*

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT: \$880,900

Expenditure for match amount should be moved into grant code. However, if this is *not* possible, indicate where expenditures will be accounted for.

FUND: _____ AGENCY: _____ OBJECT: _____ PROJECT: _____ AMOUNT: _____

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FUND: _____ AGENCY: _____ OBJECT: _____ PROJECT: _____ AMOUNT: _____

TOTAL MATCH AMOUNT: _____

ACCOUNTING STAFF *(who is primarily responsible for fiscal oversight of grant):*

NAME: Neil Hardy PHONE: 218-726-2148

DEPARTMENT CONTACT *(who is primarily responsible for program/project outcomes of grant):*

NAME: Stacy Radosevich PHONE: 218-726-2543

****IMPORTANT****

Please submit this document (SECTION I) to the department contact, providing direction regarding which form should be completed.

☒ **New** *(first-time submitted)* or previously-submitted grant—**Complete Form A**

☐ Request for recurring grant to be included in December Budget Resolution*—**Complete Form B**

☐ Request for amendment of previously adopted Board Resolution—**Complete Form C**

*Departments must complete **Form B** for any grant *(of any amount)* that is included in the proposed budget.

SECTION II—APPROVAL (to be completed by department contact)

Form A (New or Previously-Submitted Grant)

PURPOSE: Approval to Apply for Grant—(complete prior to applying for grant award)

Please check the appropriate box:

☐ New (first-time submitted) grant

☒ Previously submitted grant*

*Departments are highly encouraged to request recurring grants (that were previously submitted) to be included in the December Budget Resolution—Form B—if dollar amounts do not fluctuate significantly.

STEP #1: Obtain authorization to apply for grant (required for all grants of any amount)

Dept. Head Authorization:

Signature

8.2.21

Date

Administrator Authorization:

Signature

8-3-21

Date

Auditor Authorization:

Signature

8/4/2021

Date

STEP #2: Confirm whether grant amount is greater than \$25,000—

☐ **No** (grant amount is less than or equal to \$25,000)—

Give grant contract (once received) to County Attorney's Office for review.

Reviewed by:

Attorney Name

Date

Damion #: _____

☒ **Yes** (grant amount is greater than \$25,000)—

Submit **Section I** (Cover Sheet) of the "Grant Approval Form," Board Letter and Resolution to Administration to seek County Board approval. It is acceptable that Section I is not completed in its entirety until the grant has been awarded. **NOTE:** Board authorization to accept the grant is required (upon notification of award).

Apply: Board Letter #: 21-148 Board Resolution #: 21-235 Date Adopted: 4-13-2021

Accept: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

STEP #3: Ensure proper documentation is entered into the system, and the appropriate parties are notified.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Submit **Section I and II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form," along with all grant documents (application, award notification, contract, etc.) to the accounting staff person to enter the grant award into the financial system.

ACCOUNTING STAFF: If this grant includes federal funding, please send an electronic copy of **Section I and II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form" as notification to wehselerh@stlouiscountymn.gov with "Federal Funds" in the Subject of the e-mail.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 339

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Acceptance of County Veterans
Service Office Operational
Enhancement Grant

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Tedd Ells
County Veterans Service Officer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To assist eligible veterans and their dependents in obtaining all benefits to which they are entitled from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs and other agencies that provide veterans' services.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to accept a County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) Operational Enhancement Grant from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA).

BACKGROUND:

During the 2013 Legislative Session, the structure of the CVSO grant program was modified and state funding increased. The improved program provides an annual base grant to all 87 Minnesota counties in the amount of \$7,500. In addition to the base grant, each county is eligible for another funding amount based on the county's veteran population as determined by the United States Veterans Administration. St. Louis County will receive an additional \$10,000 based on this formula.

Counties have until June 30, 2022, to spend the allocated money on qualified items. By that date, the funds must be spent, documentation of the qualified expenditures received by the MDVA, and any unused funds returned. In order to access the grant funding, a certified County Board Resolution and signed Grant Contract must be received.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the acceptance of a County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs for \$17,500, deposited into Fund 100, Agency 124999, Grant 12403, Year 2021.

Acceptance of County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, During the 2013 Legislative Session, the structure of the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant program was modified and state funding increased to provide an annual base grant to all 87 Minnesota counties in the amount of \$7,500, plus an additional allocation based on each counties' veterans population to be used for the purpose of enhancing the benefits programs and services provided to Minnesota veterans; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 2021, St. Louis County received notice from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) that the County Veterans Office Operational Enhancement Grant was allocated in the amount of a \$7,500 base grant and an additional \$10,000 based upon the estimated veterans population residing in the county; and

WHEREAS, Counties have until June 30, 2022, to spend the allocated money on qualified items, and by that date, the funds must be spent, documentation of the qualified expenditures received by the MDVA, and any unused funds returned; and

WHEREAS, In order to access the grant funding, a certified County Board Resolution and signed Grant Contract must be received by the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into a grant contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs to accept the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant, in the amount of \$17,500.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the County Veterans Service Office, as specified in Minn. Stat. § 197.608 and Minnesota Laws 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter 12, Article 1, Section 37, Subd. 2. and that this Grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

RESOLVED FURTHER, The St. Louis County Veterans Service Office 2021 adopted budget is amended to include receipt of \$17,500 from the MNDVA, with funds deposited into Fund 100, Agency 124999, Grant 12403, Year 2021.

Exhibit A

GRANT APPROVAL FORM

This form must be completed for any and all grants.

SECTION I—APPLICATION (to be completed by department's assigned accounting staff)

Cover Sheet

GRANT NAME: County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant

GRANT PERIOD: 7/1/2021
(if known) (begin date)

GRANTOR: Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs

6/30/2022
(end date)

FUND: 100 AGENCY: 124999 GRANT: 12403 GRANT YEAR: 2021-2022

Indicate the source of funds—(check all that apply)

☐ Local—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____

Local Agency: _____

☒ State—Object Code: _____ Amount: 17,500.00 Award #: 17,500.00

State Agency: _____

☐ Federal—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____

Grant Agreement (State Contract) #: _____
(if federal dollars are passed through state)

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____
(if applicable) (if applicable)

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____
(if applicable) (if applicable)

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT: _____

Expenditure for match amount should be moved into grant code. However, if this is not possible, indicate where expenditures will be accounted for.

FUND: _____ AGENCY: _____ OBJECT: _____ PROJECT: _____ AMOUNT: _____

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FUND: _____ AGENCY: _____ OBJECT: _____ PROJECT: _____ AMOUNT: _____

TOTAL MATCH AMOUNT: _____

ACCOUNTING STAFF (who is primarily responsible for fiscal oversight of grant):

NAME: Yvonne McCauley PHONE: 218-726-2697

DEPARTMENT CONTACT (who is primarily responsible for program/project outcomes of grant):

NAME: Tedd Ellis PHONE: 218-725-5285

****IMPORTANT****

Please submit this completed document (SECTION I Cover Sheet) to the department contact, providing direction regarding which form should be completed.

☒ New (first-time submitted) grant—Complete Form A

☐ Previously submitted grant—Complete Form A

☐ Request for recurring grant to be included in December Budget Resolution*—Complete Form B

☐ Request for amendment of previously adopted Board Resolution—Complete Form C

*Departments must complete Form B for any grant (of any amount) that is included in the proposed budget.

SECTION II—APPROVAL (to be completed by department contact)
Form A (New Grant)

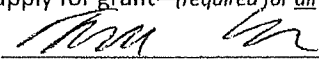

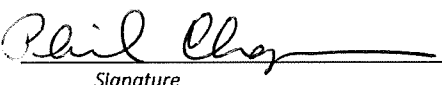
Approval to Apply for Grant—(complete prior to applying for grant award)

Please check the appropriate box:

- ☒ New (first-time submitted) grant
☐ Previously submitted grant*

*Departments are highly encouraged to request recurring grants (that were previously submitted) to be included in the December Budget Resolution—*Form B*—if dollar amounts do not fluctuate significantly.

STEP #1: Obtain authorization to apply for grant—(required for all grants of any amount)

Dept. Head Authorization:	<u></u>	<u>8/4/2021</u>
	Signature	Date
Administrator Authorization:	<u></u>	<u>8-4-21</u>
	Signature	Date
Auditor Authorization:	<u></u>	<u>8/5/2021</u>
	Signature	Date

STEP #2: Confirm whether grant amount is greater than \$25,000—

☒ **No** (grant amount is less than or equal to \$25,000)—

Give grant contract (once received) to County Attorney's Office for review.

Reviewed by: _____
Attorney Name Date

Damion #: _____

☐ **Yes** (grant amount is greater than \$25,000)—

Submit **Section I** (Cover Sheet) of the "Grant Approval Form," Board Letter and Resolution to Administration to seek County Board approval. **NOTE: Board authorization to accept the grant is required** (upon notification of award).

Apply: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

Accept: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

STEP #3: Ensure proper documentation is entered into the system, and the appropriate parties are notified.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Submit **Section I** (Cover Sheet) and **II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form," along with all grant documents (application, award notification, contract, etc.) to the accounting staff person to enter the grant award into the financial system.

ACCOUNTING STAFF: If this grant includes federal funding, please send an electronic copy of **Section I** (Cover Sheet) and **II** (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form" as notification to wehselerh@stlouiscountymn.gov with "Federal Funds" in the *Subject* of the e-mail.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 340

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 3

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Right of Way Easement
Exchange Across State Tax
Forfeited Land to Frederic D.
Miller et al. (Unorg Twp 63-17)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENTAL GOAL:

To perform public services.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize a non-exclusive right of way easement across state tax forfeited land in Unorganized Township (63-17).

BACKGROUND:

Frederic D. and Marlene J. Miller, F & M Miller Family Trust, and Brice Miller are requesting a 33-foot wide right of way easement across state tax forfeited parcels to access private land in Unorganized Township (63-17). The easement encumbers 0.59 acres. There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the granting of a non-exclusive right of way easement to Frederic D. and Marlene J. Miller, F & M Miller Family Trust, and Brice Miller, for the amount of \$594 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$790 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

**Right of Way Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land
to Frederic D. Miller et al. (Unorg Twp 63-17)**

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, Frederic D. and Marlene J. Miller, F & M Miller Family Trust, and Brice Miller have requested a 33-foot wide non-exclusive right of way easement across state tax forfeited land to access private property; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes;

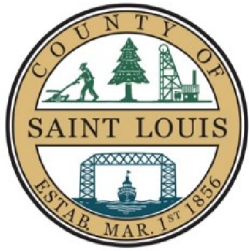
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right of way easement to Frederic D. and Marlene J. Miller, F & M Miller Family Trust, and Brice Miller across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No._____.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of a \$594 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$790 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

**Right of Way Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land
to Frederic D. Miller et al. (Unorg Twp 63-17)**

Proposed Easement Description (Across State Parcel)

An easement for ingress and egress purposes over, under and across the East 33.00 feet of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 33, Township. 63 North, Range 17 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian lying north of the Oak Narrows Road right of way.

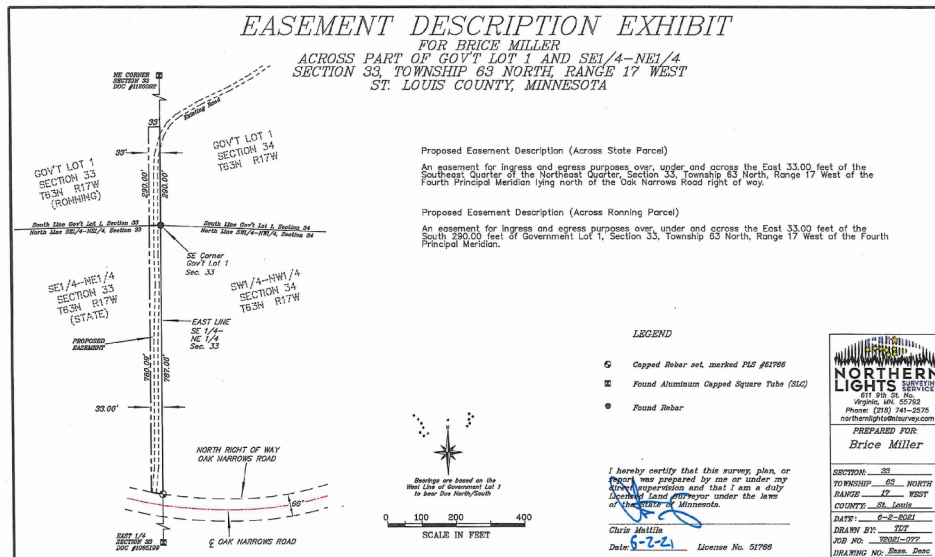


LAND & MINERALS

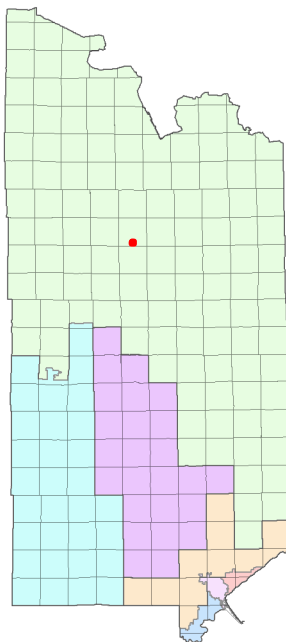
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MN

Tax Forfeited Easement

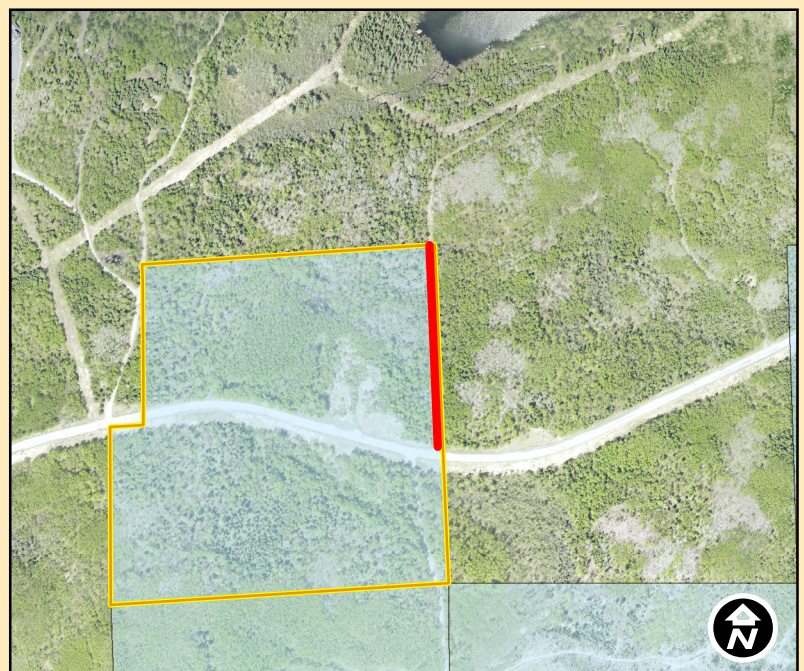
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


St. Louis County District Map



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 Tax forfeit

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 341

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 4

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Right of Way and Utility
Easement Across State Tax
Forfeited Land to Terry E.
Thene (Gnesen 53-14)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENTAL GOAL:

To perform public services.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize a non-exclusive right of way and utility easement across state tax forfeited land in Gnesen Township (53-14).

BACKGROUND:

Terry E. Thene is requesting a 33-foot wide right of way and utility easement across one state tax forfeited parcel to access private land in Gnesen Township. The easement encumbers approximately 0.228 acres in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 14, Township 53 North, Range 14 West. There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the properties and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the granting of a non-exclusive right of way easement to Terry E. Thene, for the amount of \$228 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$424 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

**Right of Way and Utility Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land
to Terry E. Thene (Gnesen 53-14)**

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, Terry E. Thene has requested a 33-foot wide non-exclusive right of way and utility easement across state tax forfeited land to access private property; and

WHEREAS, The easement encumbers 0.228 acres in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 14, Township 53 North, Range 14 West.

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right of way and utility easement to Terry E. Thene across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No._____.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$228 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$424 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

**Right of Way and Utility Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land
to Terry E. Thene (Gnesen 53-14)**

PROPOSED EASEMENT DESCRIPTION

A 33 foot wide strip of land over, under, and across the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 14, T53N, R14W, according to the US Government Survey thereof, St. Louis County, Minnesota, the centerline of which is described as follows:

Commencing at the South Quarter Corner of Section 11, T53N, R14W, St. Louis County, Minnesota, thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 20 seconds East, assigned bearing, along the south line of Government Lot 2 of said Section 11, a distance of 815.01 feet to the west line of the E'ly 400 feet of the W'ly 1215 feet of said Government Lot 2; thence continuing North 89 degrees 53 minutes 20 seconds East, along said south line of Government Lot 2, a distance of 354.96 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 26 degrees 50 minutes 31 seconds East a distance of 61.30 feet; thence South 13 degrees 06 minutes 20 seconds West a distance of 33.56 feet; thence South 23 degrees 36 minutes 44 seconds East a distance of 68.66 feet; thence South 6 degrees 21 minutes 15 seconds East a distance of 137.93 feet, more or less, to the north line of existing Needle Lane, according to recorded Document No. 682028, and there terminating. The sidelines of said strip of land shall be shortened or prolonged so as to terminate on the said south line of Government Lot 2 and the said north line of Needle Lane. Contains approximately 0.228 acres.

This aerial map shows a dense forest. A yellow rectangle highlights a section in the upper left. A red line, representing a proposed easement, runs vertically through the forest, starting from the top edge and ending near a small clearing or stream bed. A north arrow is located in the bottom right corner of the map area.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 342

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 5

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Nordlund

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchasers, David Scott Nordlund and Amanda I Nordlund of Mt. Iron, MN, have defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchasers have been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

David Scott Nordlund and Amanda I Nordlund of Mt. Iron, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF MT IRON NW1/4 OF NW1/4 EX S1/2 OF N1/2 & EX N1/2 OF NE1/4 AND EX S1/2 OF SE1/4 AND EX S1/2, Sec 33 Twp 58 Rge 18 175-0071-04890 C22160198
Purchase Price	\$8,500.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$6,881.25
Date of Last Payment	1/23/2019
Installment Payments Not Made	\$1,530.00
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$1,669.92
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$3,199.92
Percentage of Contract Paid	19%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with David Scott Nordlund and Amanda I Nordlund of Mt. Iron, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Nordlund

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with David Scott Nordlund and Amanda I Nordlund of Mt. Iron, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchasers were properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF MT IRON
NW1/4 OF NW1/4 EX S1/2 OF N1/2 & EX N1/2 OF NE1/4 AND EX S1/2 OF
SE1/4 AND EX S1/2, Sec 33 Twp 58 Rge 18
175-0071-04890
C22160198

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with David Scott Nordlund and Amanda I Nordlund of Mt. Iron, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

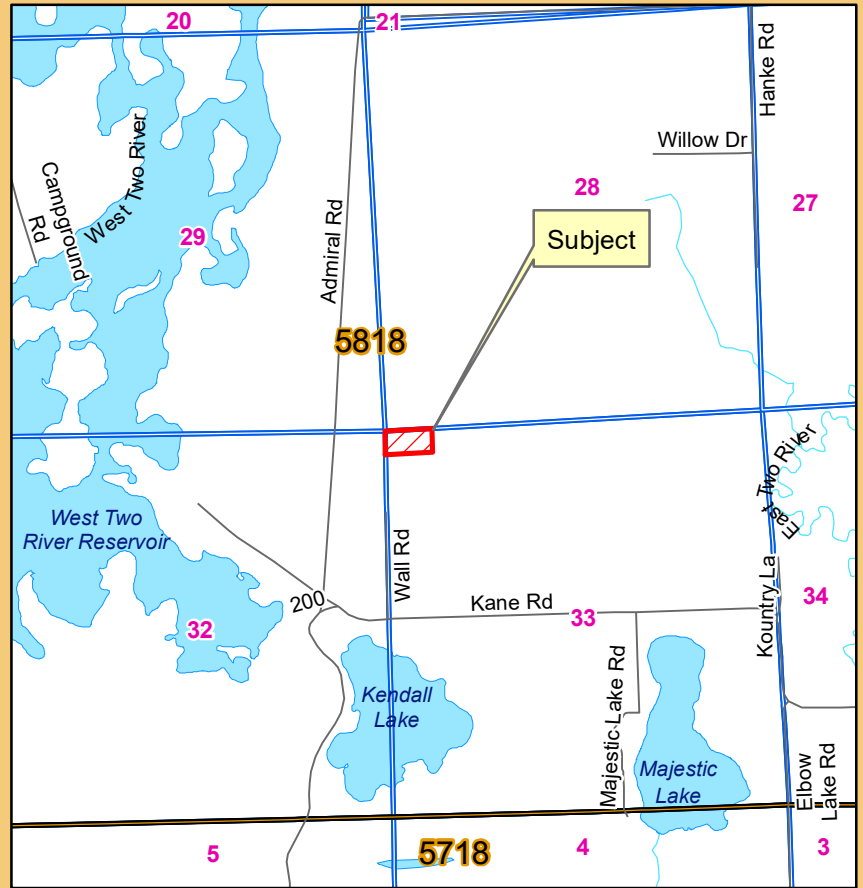
Cancellation of Contract

Legal : CITY OF MT IRON
NW1/4 OF NW1/4 EX S1/2 OF N1/2 & EX
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AND EX S1/2, Sec 33 Twp 58 Rge 18

Parcel Code : 175-0071-04890

LDK: 106294

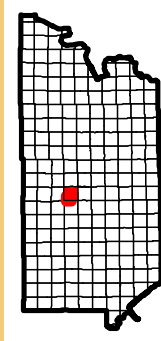
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City of Mt Iron Sec: 33 Twp: 58 Rng: 18

Commissioner District # 6

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract



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**St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department**

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 343

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 6

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – LeMoyne

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchaser, John P. LeMoyne of Eveleth, MN, has defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchaser has been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

John P. LeMoyne of Eveleth, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF EVELETH LOT: 0005 BLOCK:001, STATE ADDITION TO EVELETH 040-0170-00050 C22160204
Purchase Price	\$6,600.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$5,940.00
Date of Last Payment	4/9/2018
Installment Payments Not Made	\$1,098.00
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$2,197.56
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$3,295.56
Percentage of Contract Paid	10%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with John P. LeMoyne of Eveleth, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – LeMoyne

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with John P. LeMoyne of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF EVELETH
LOT: 0005 BLOCK:001, STATE ADDITION TO EVELETH
040-0170-00050
C22160204

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with John P. LeMoyne of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

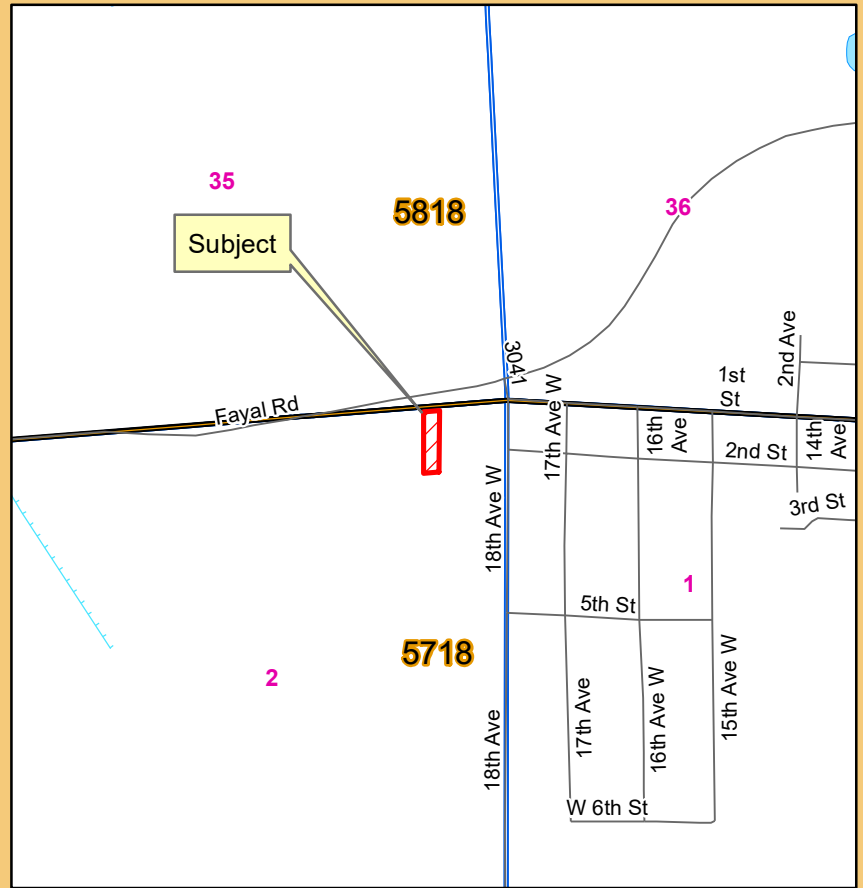
Cancellation of Contract

Legal : CITY OF EVELETH
LOT: 0005 BLOCK:001
STATE ADDITION TO EVELETH

Parcel Code : 040-0170-00050

LDK: 105121

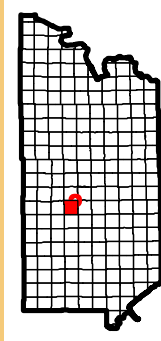
Address: 1810 W 1st St
Iron, MN 55751



City of Eveleth Sec: 2 Twp: 57 Rng: 18

Commissioner District # 6

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract

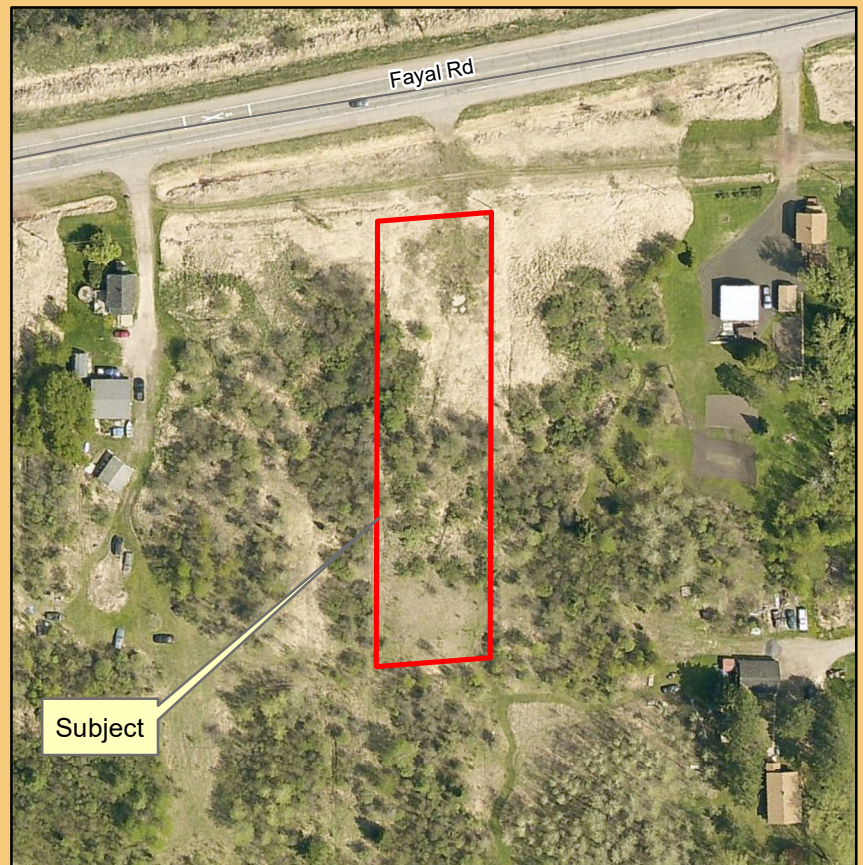


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Land and Minerals Department**

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 344

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 7

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Catlin

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchaser, Tanya Lee Catlin of Hibbing, MN, has defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchaser has been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

Tanya Lee Catlin of Hibbing, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF HIBBING LOT: 0031 BLOCK:008, BROOKLYN 140-0050-01030 C22170128
Purchase Price	\$3,150.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$2,649.50
Date of Last Payment	9/24/2019
Installment Payments Not Made	\$331.25
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$620.47
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$951.72
Percentage of Contract Paid	15%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Tanya Lee Catlin of Hibbing, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Catlin

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Tanya Lee Catlin of Hibbing, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF HIBBING
LOT: 0031 BLOCK:008, BROOKLYN
140-0050-01030
C22170128

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Tanya Lee Catlin of Hibbing, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



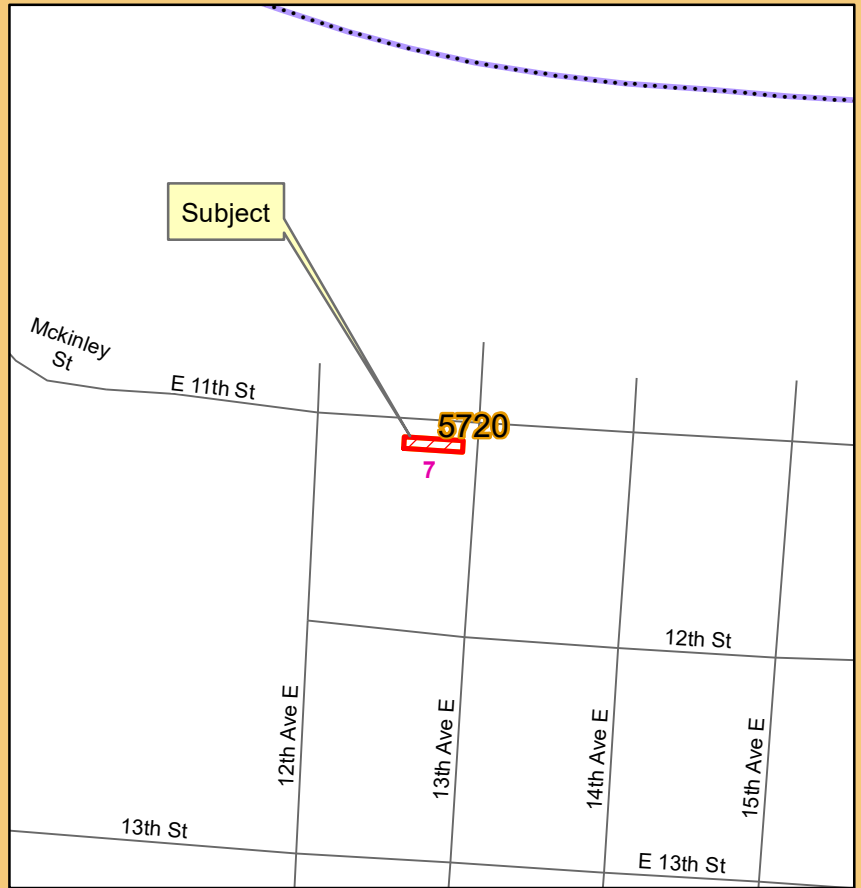
St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Cancellation of Contract

Legal : CITY OF HIBBING
LOT: 0031 BLOCK:008
BROOKLYN

Parcel Code : 140-0050-01030

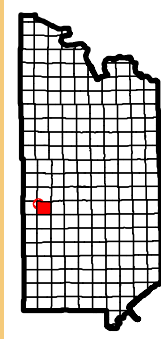
LDK: 117746



City of Hibbing Sec: 7 Twp: 57 Rng: 20

Commissioner District # 7

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
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- Tract



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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 345

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 8

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Dement
(Parcel 100-0042-00160)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchasers, Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, have defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchasers have been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF AURORA LOTS 16 AND 17, BLOCK 1, HOLLAND ADDITION CITY OF AURORA 100-0042-00160 C22170129
Purchase Price	\$6,300.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$5,670.00
Date of Last Payment	3/28/2019
Installment Payments Not Made	\$1,134.00
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$1,540.04
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$2,674.04
Percentage of Contract Paid	10%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Dement
(Parcel 100-0042-00160)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchasers were properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF AURORA

LOTS 16 AND 17, BLOCK 1, HOLLAND ADDITION CITY OF AURORA

100-0042-00160

C22170129

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



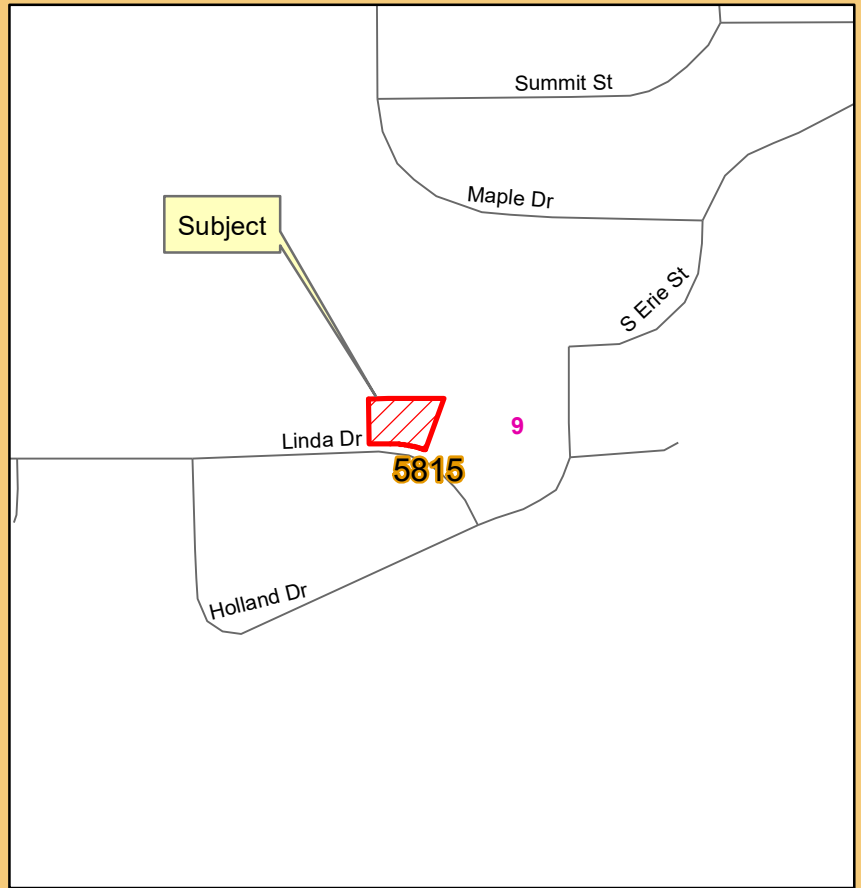
St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Cancellation of Contract

Legal : CITY OF AURORA
LOTS 16 AND 17, BLOCK 1
HOLLAND ADDITION CITY OF AURORA

Parcel Code : 100-0042-00160

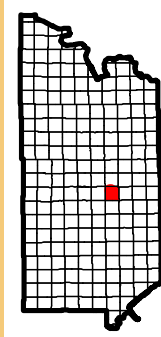
LDK: 117290



City of Aurora Sec: 9 Twp: 58 Rng: 15

Commissioner District # 4

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract



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Land and Minerals Department**

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 346

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 9

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Dement
(Parcel 100-0071-00280, 00360)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

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BACKGROUND:

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Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF AURORA LOTS 1 THRU 8 and LOT 9 EX E 66 FT, BLOCK 4, SUNSET ACRES 3RD ADDITION TO AURORA 100-0071-00280,00360 C22170377
Purchase Price	\$12,800.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$11,520.00
Date of Last Payment	3/28/2019
Installment Payments Not Made	\$1,152.00
Subsequent Del Taxes and Fees	\$3,074.87
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$4,226.87
Percentage of Contract Paid	10%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Dement
(Parcel 100-0071-00280, 00360)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchasers were properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF AURORA
LOTS 1 THRU 8 and LOT 9 EX E 66 FT, BLOCK 4,
SUNSET ACRES 3RD ADDITION TO AURORA
100-0071-00280,00360
C22170377

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

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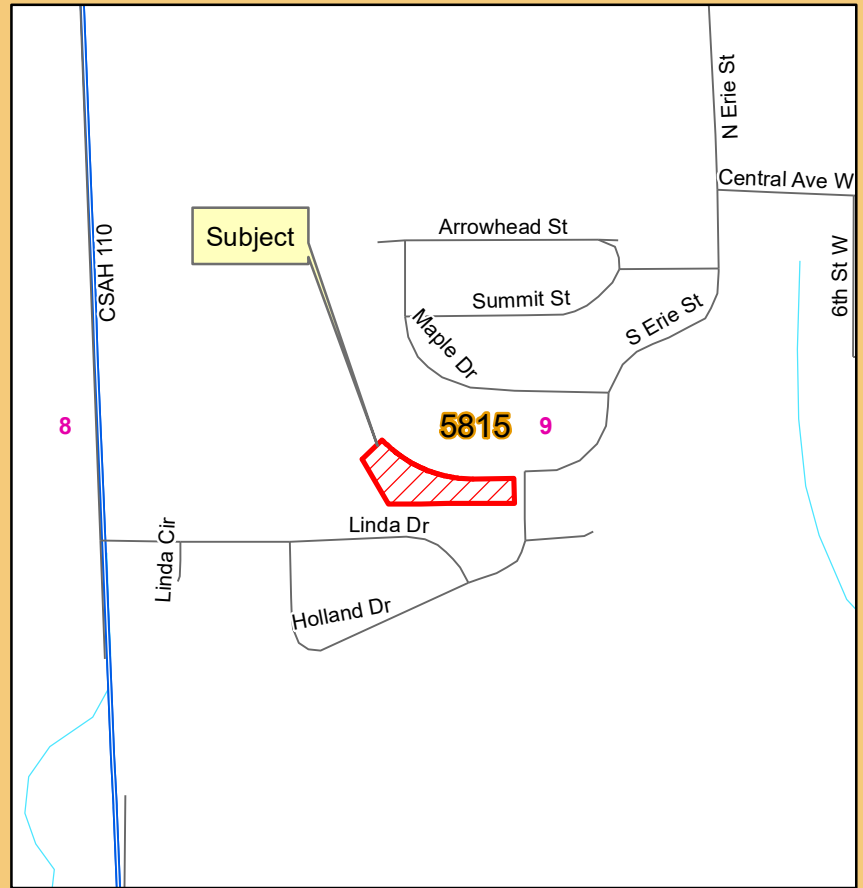
St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Cancellation of Contract

Legal : CITY OF AURORA
LOTS 1 THRU 8 and LOT 9 EX E 66 FT
BLOCK 004, SUNSET ACRES 3RD
ADDITION TO AURORA

Parcel Code : 100-0071-00280
100-0071-00360

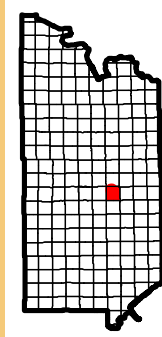
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City of Aurora Sec: 9 Twp: 58 Rng: 15

Commissioner District # 4

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract



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St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department

2021



BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 347

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 10

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Enquist

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchaser, Edward V. Enquist of Biwabik, MN, has defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchaser has been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

Edward V. Enquist of Biwabik, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF BIWABIK LOT: 0003 BLOCK:010, BIWABIK 015-0010-00460 C22170252
Purchase Price	\$1,550.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$787.50
Date of Last Payment	11/8/2018
Installment Payments Not Made	\$525.00
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$362.44
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$887.44
Percentage of Contract Paid	49%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Edward V. Enquist of Biwabik, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Enquist**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Edward V. Enquist of Biwabik, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF BIWABIK
LOT: 0003 BLOCK:010, BIWABIK
015-0010-00460
C22170252

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Edward V. Enquist of Biwabik, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



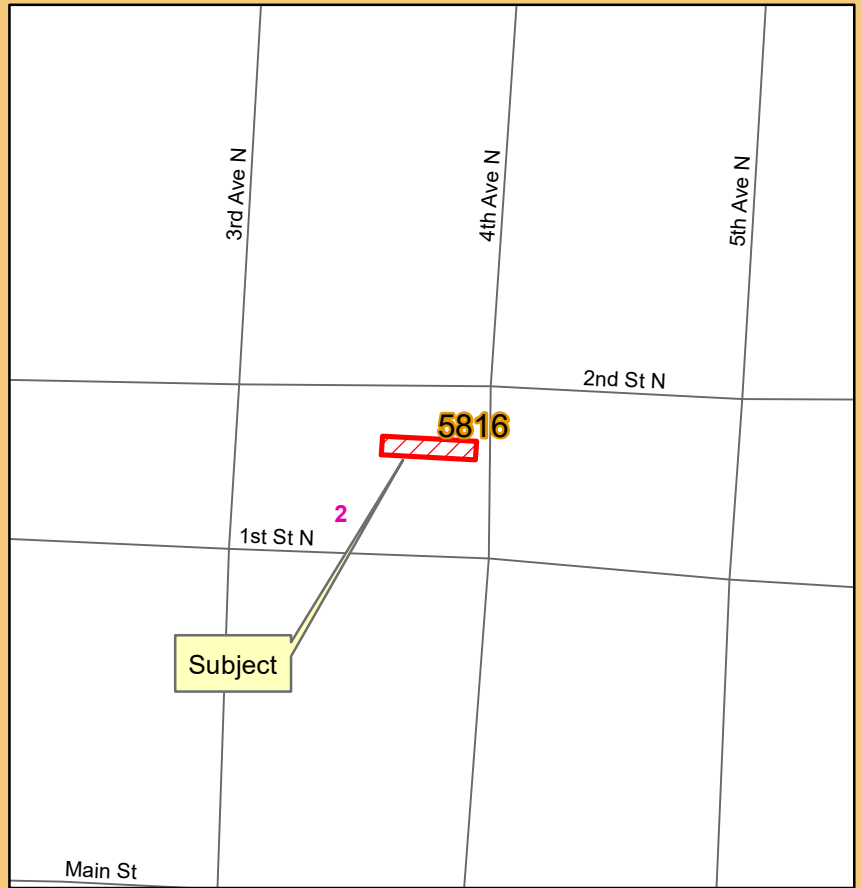
St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Cancellation of Contract

Legal : CITY OF BIWABIK
LOT: 0003 BLOCK:010
BIWABIK

Parcel Code : 015-0010-00460

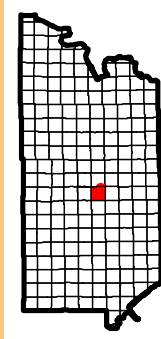
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Commissioner District # 4

- State Tax Forfeited Land
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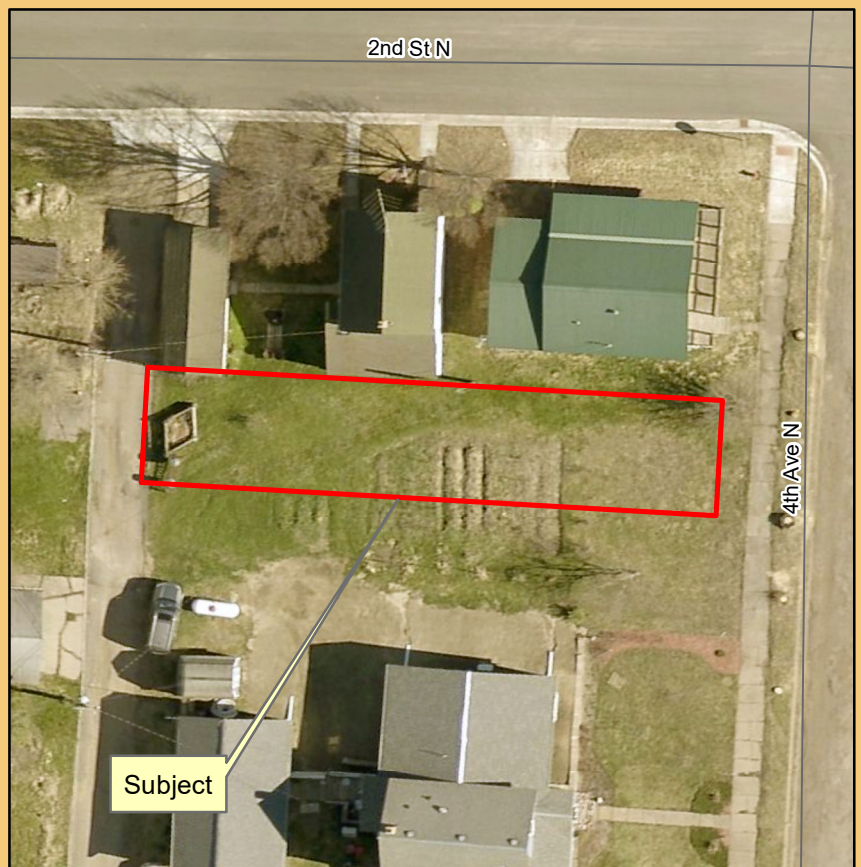


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**St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department**

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 348

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 11

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Lester
(Parcel 676-0010-01412, 01414)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchaser, Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, has defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchaser has been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN

Legal Description	UNORGANIZED 56 16 N 200 FT OF W 450 FT OF NE 1/4 OF NE 1/4 and S 100 FT OF N 300 FT OF W 450 FT OF NE1/4 OF NE1/4, Sec 9 Twp 56 Rge 16 676-0010-01412,01414 C22170306
Purchase Price	\$8,880.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$7,992.00
Date of Last Payment	6/7/2019
Installment Payments Not Made	\$799.20
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$1,740.71
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$2,539.91
Percentage of Contract Paid	10%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Lester
(Parcel 676-0010-01412, 01414)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

UNORGANIZED 56 16
N 200 FT OF W 450 FT OF NE 1/4 OF NE 1/4 and S 100 FT OF N 300 FT OF W
450 FT OF NE1/4 OF NE1/4, Sec 9 Twp 56 Rge 16
676-0010-01412,01414
C22170306

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

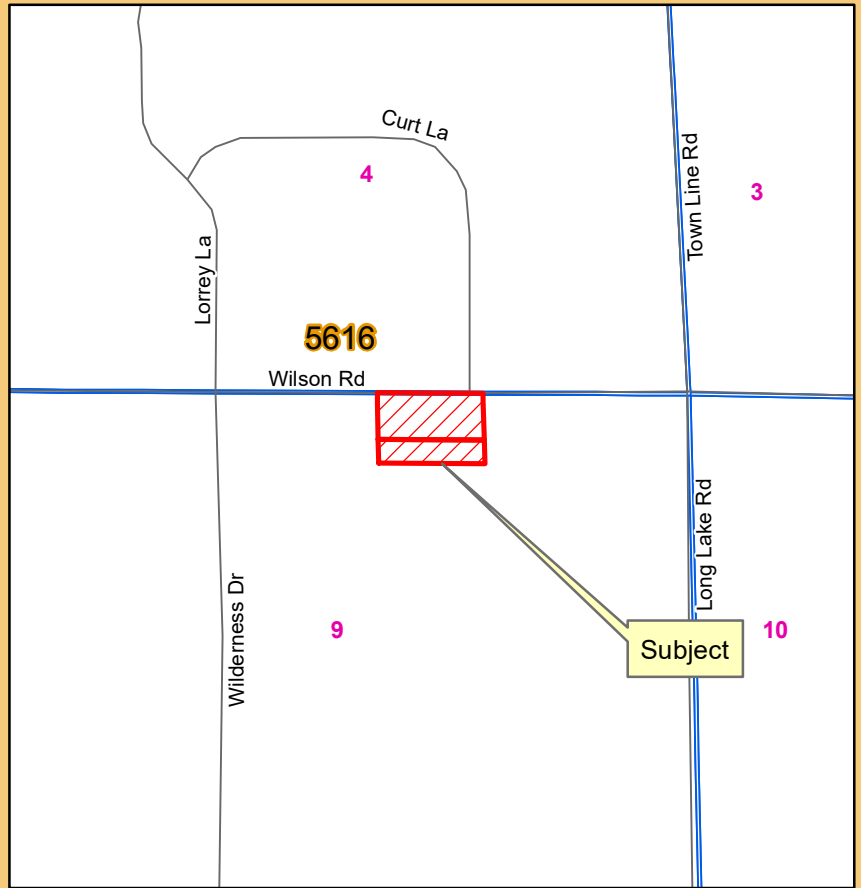
Cancellation of Contract

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Twp 56 Rge 16

Parcel Code : 676-0010-01412
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LDK: 122144 & 122145

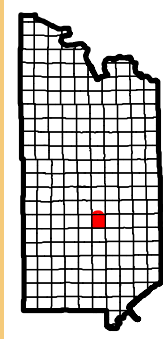
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Commissioner District # 6

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
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Land and Minerals Department**

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 349

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 12

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Lester
(Parcel 010-1350-06050)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchaser, Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, has defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchaser has been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF DULUTH S 35 FT OF N 105 FT OF LOTS 2 AND 4 EX PART SELY OF A LINE RUNNING FROM A PT 105 FT S OF N LINE & 17 FT W OF E LINE OF LOT 4 TO A PT ON E LINE 88 FT S OF NE COR OF LOT 4 INC S 35 FT OF N 140 FT OF LOTS 2 & 4 EX PART SELY OF A LINE RUNNING FROM A PT 140 FT S OF N LINE & 48.10 FT NELY OF W LINE TO A PT 105 FT S OF N LINE & 17 FT W OF E LINE LOT 4 INC THAT PART OF LOT 6 NWLY OF A LINE RUNNING FROM A PT ON NELY LINE 41 FT SELY OF NELY COR TO A PT ON SWLY LINE 85.68 FT SELY OF NWLY COR, BLOCK 116, DULUTH PROPER THIRD DIVISION 010-1350-06050 C22170308
Purchase Price	\$38,625.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$34,762.50
Date of Last Payment	6/13/2019
Installment Payments Not Made	\$3,476.25
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$7,509.38
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$10,985.63
Percentage of Contract Paid	10%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Lester
(Parcel 010-1350-06050)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH

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010-1350-06050
C22170308

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

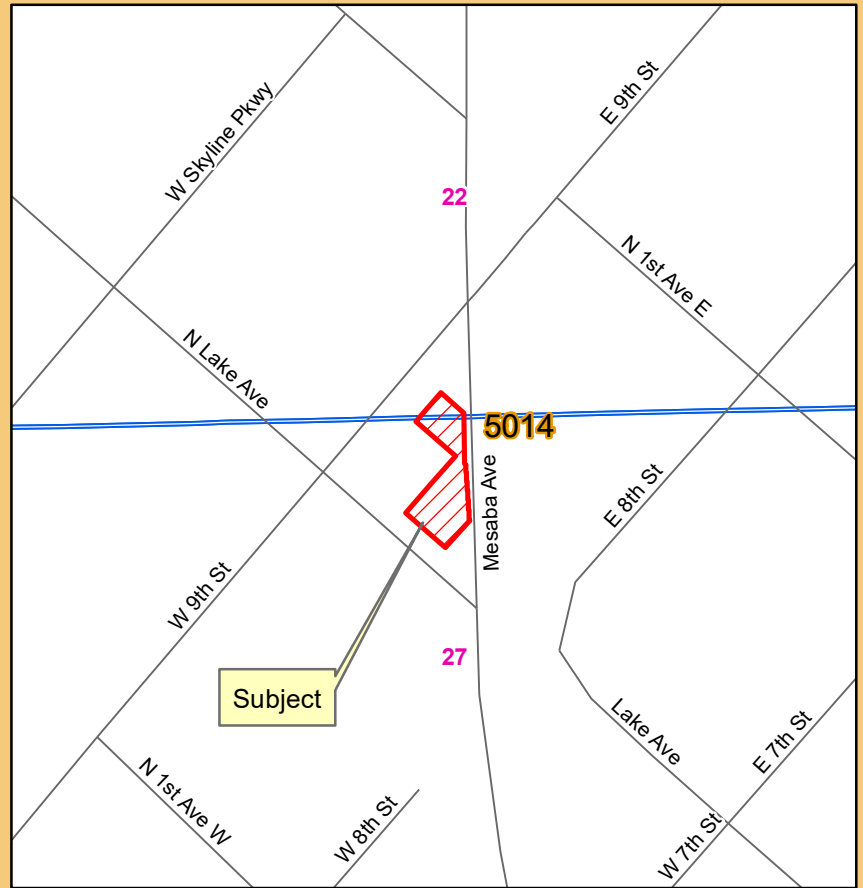
RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Cancellation of Contract

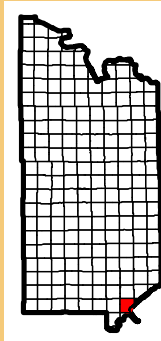
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85.68 FT SELY OF NWLY COR, BLOCK 116,
DULUTH PROPER THIRD DIVISION
Parcel Code : 010-1350-06050
LDK: 122751
Address: 820 N Lake Ave
Duluth, MN 55805



City of Duluth Sec: 27 Twp: 50 Rng: 14

Commissioner District # 1

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract



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Land and Minerals Department**

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 350

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 13

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Repurchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Surla

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for repurchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchaser, Estate of Leigh Ann Surla of Eveleth, MN, has defaulted on the repurchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchaser has been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default. Leigh Ann Surla is deceased, and this structure is vacant.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

Estate of Leigh Ann Surla of Eveleth, MN

Legal Description	TOWN OF FAYAL LOT: 0046, ELY LAKE SOUTHWOOD 340-0087-00460 C22180035
Purchase Price	\$19,417.45
Principal Amount Remaining	\$11,963.45
Date of Last Payment	1/31/2018
Installment Payments Not Made	\$5,981.72
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$16,383.10
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$22,364.82
Percentage of Contract Paid	38%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Estate of Leigh Ann Surla of Eveleth, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Surla

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Estate of Leigh Ann Surla of Eveleth, MN, for the repurchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

TOWN OF FAYAL
LOT: 0046, ELY LAKE SOUTHWOOD
340-0087-00460
C22180035

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd, 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Estate of Leigh Ann Surla of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Cancellation of Contract

Legal : TOWN OF FAYAL
LOT: 0046, ELY LAKE SOUTHWOOD

Parcel Code : 340-0087-00460

LDK: 123263

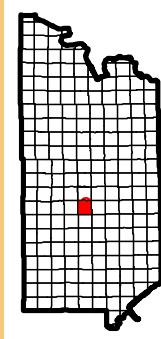
Address: 7551 Ely Lake Dr
Eveleth, MN 55734



Town of Fayal Sec: 10 Twp: 57 Rng: 17

Commissioner District # 6

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 351

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 14

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Cancellation of Contract for
Purchase of State Tax
Forfeited Land – Kraabel

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services; provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to cancel a contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

The County Auditor has attached information in reference to a state tax forfeited land contract which has been entered into under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Chapter 282. The purchaser, Wayne Kraabel of Virginia, MN, has defaulted on the purchase agreement due to their failure to pay the required installments and real estate taxes. The purchaser has been served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default. This structure is vacant, and the purchaser has informed the Land and Minerals Department that he does not want this property.

Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owners, taxpayers, and any current occupants.

Wayne Kraabel of Virginia, MN

Legal Description	CITY OF EVELETH LOT: 0012, BLOCK:075, DORR ADDITION TO EVELETH 040-0080-00130 C22180234
Purchase Price	\$27,100.00
Principal Amount Remaining	\$24,390.00
Date of Last Payment	2/8/2019
Installment Payments Not Made	\$2,439.00
Subsequent Delinquent Taxes and Fees	\$6,420.28
Amount Needed to Cure Default	\$8,859.28
Percentage of Contract Paid	10%

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve cancellation of the contract with Wayne Kraabel of Virginia, MN, and authorize the disposal or sale of abandoned personal property that may remain on the site.

Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Kraabel

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Wayne Kraabel of Virginia, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

CITY OF EVELETH
LOT: 0012, BLOCK:075, DORR ADDITION TO EVELETH
040-0080-00130
C22180234

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d) authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Wayne Kraabel of Virginia, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

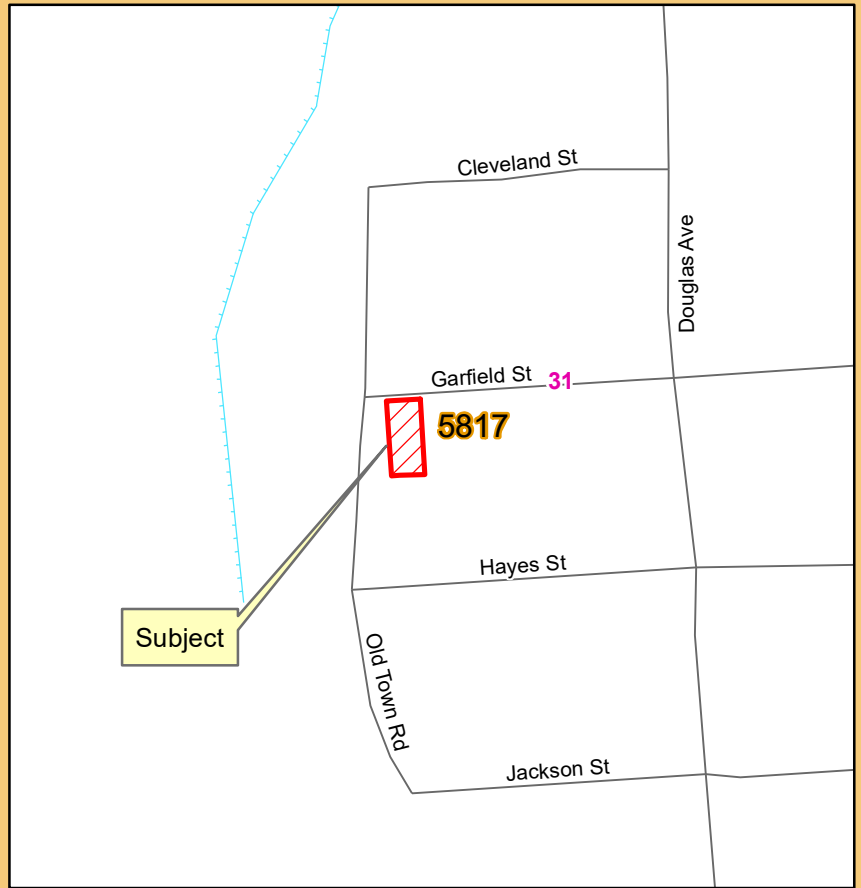
Cancellation of Contract

Legal : CITY OF EVELETH
LOT: 0012 BLOCK:075
DORR ADDITION TO EVELETH

Parcel Code : 040-0080-00130

LDK: 123171

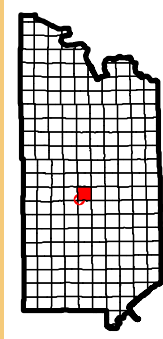
Address: 202 Garfield St
Eveleth, MN 55734



City of Eveleth Sec: 31 Twp: 58 Rng: 17

Commissioner District # 6

- State Tax Forfeited Land
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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 352

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 15

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Withdrawal of State Tax
Forfeited Land from Memorial
Forest Status

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to withdraw state tax forfeited land from memorial forest status pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 459.06, Subd. 3.

BACKGROUND:

State tax forfeited land which has been included in an established memorial forest and found more suitable for other purposes may be withdrawn from the memorial forest if the Commissioner of Natural Resources approves the sale of such land. Land and Minerals Department staff has determined that it would be in the best interest of St. Louis County to sell or exchange the parcels described in the attached board file because they are more suitable for purposes other than forest management.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the withdrawal of state tax forfeited land from memorial forest status.

Withdrawal of State Tax Forfeited Land from Memorial Forest Status

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The state tax forfeited parcels described in County Board File No. _____ are currently included in an established memorial forest; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 459.06, Subd. 3, state tax forfeited land which has been included in an established memorial forest and found more suitable for other purposes may, by resolution of the County Board, be withdrawn from the forest if the Commissioner of Natural Resources approves the sale of such land; and

WHEREAS, The state tax forfeited parcels described here are more suitable for purposes other than forest management;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the state tax forfeited parcels described in County Board File No. _____ shall be withdrawn from Memorial Forest status.

Memorial Forest Release							
PARCEL	LDKey	TWP	RGE	SEC	LEGAL	ACRES	FOREST
285-0055-00180	120863	54	21	18	OUTLOT A, FLOODWOOD LAKE SOUTH	0.45	Floodwood
330-0010-00295	125488	60	15	3	South 622 feet of East 419 feet of Govt Lot 1, EMBARRASS TOWN OF	5.99	Lake Vermilion
370-0010-03250	110226	60	21	20	THAT PART OF SE 1/4 OF SE 1/4 LYING W OF STURGEON RIVER, EX PART LYING N OF COUNTY ROAD #915, FRENCH TOWN OF	20.71	Sturgeon Lake
510-0020-05081	118120	66	17	33	UND 1/2 S 600 FT OF E 363 FT OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4, PORTAGE TOWN OF	5	Pelican Lake
677-0016-00420	115537	57	16	30	LOT 2, UNORGANIZED 57-16	40.45	Whiteface
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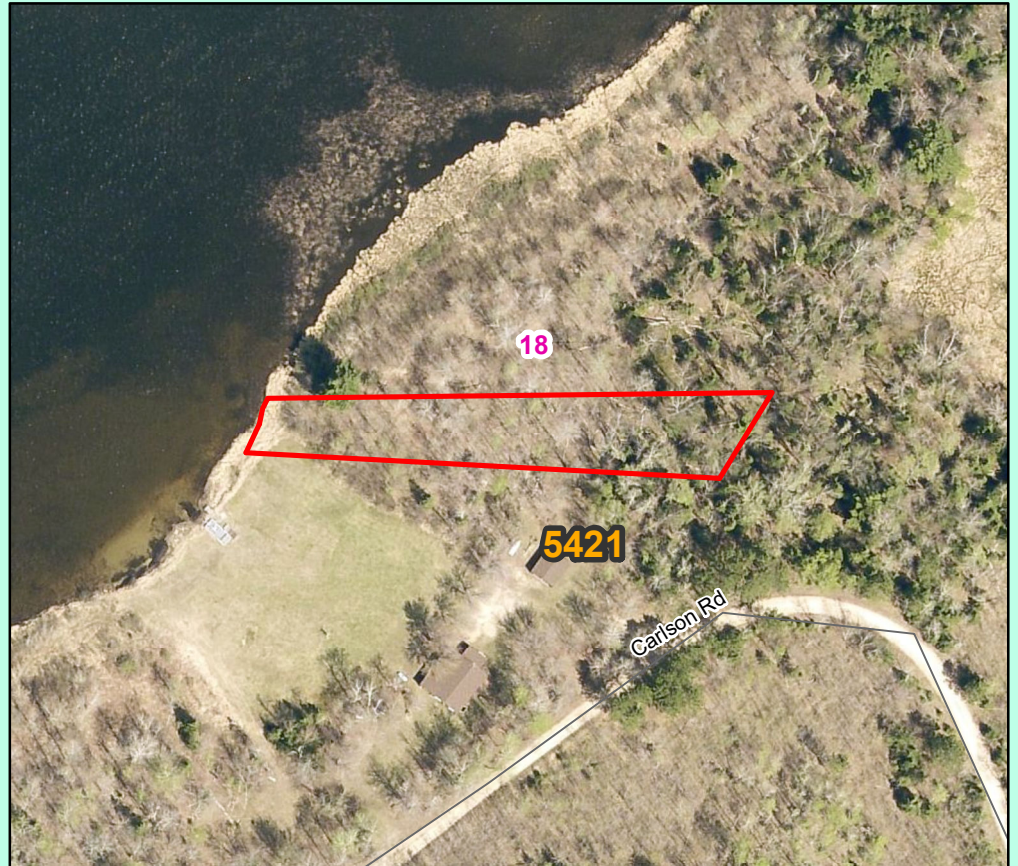


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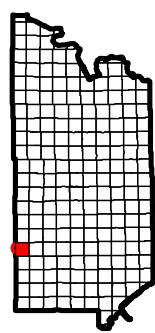
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Town of Cedar Valley Sec: 18 Twp: 54 Rng: 21

Commissioner District # 7

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract

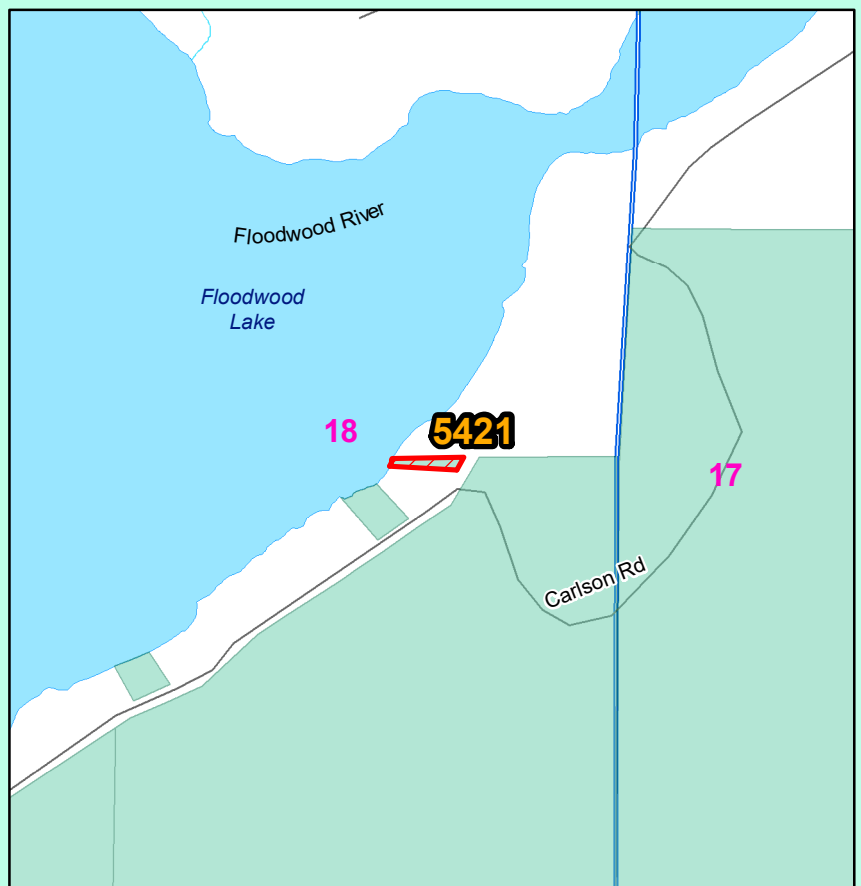


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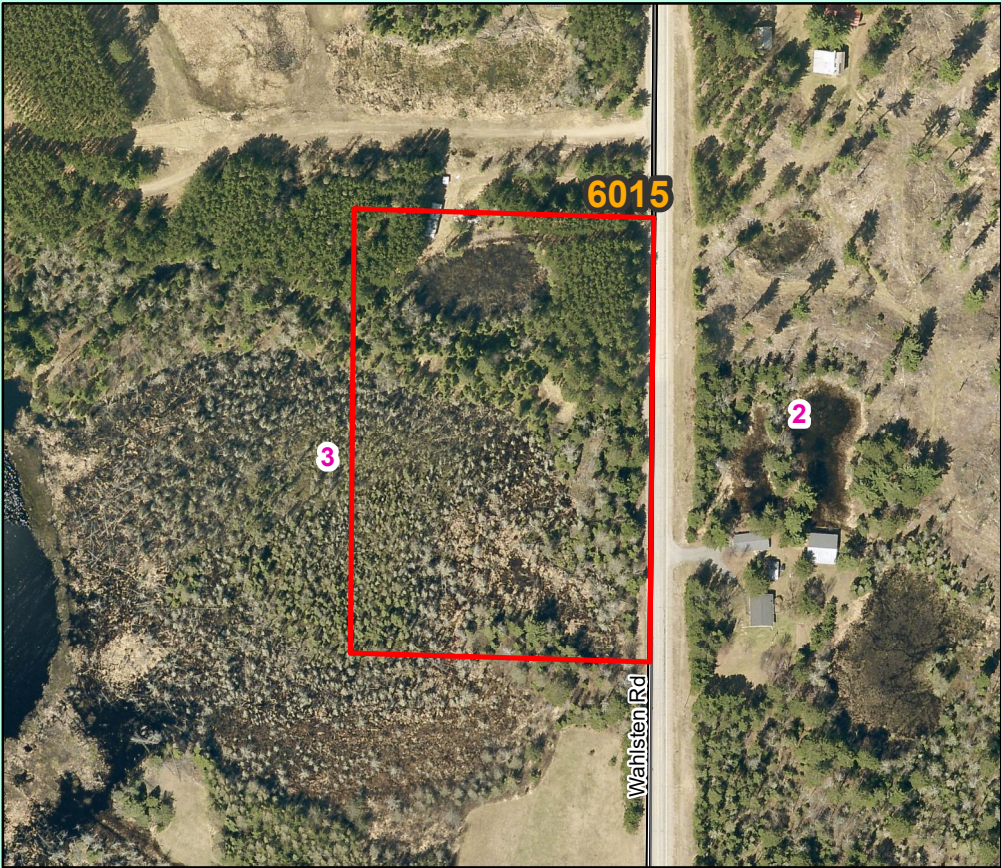


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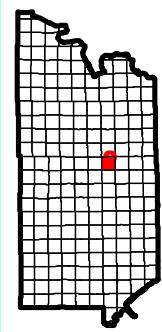
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Town of Embarrass Sec: 3 Twp: 60 Rng: 15

Commissioner District # 4

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract

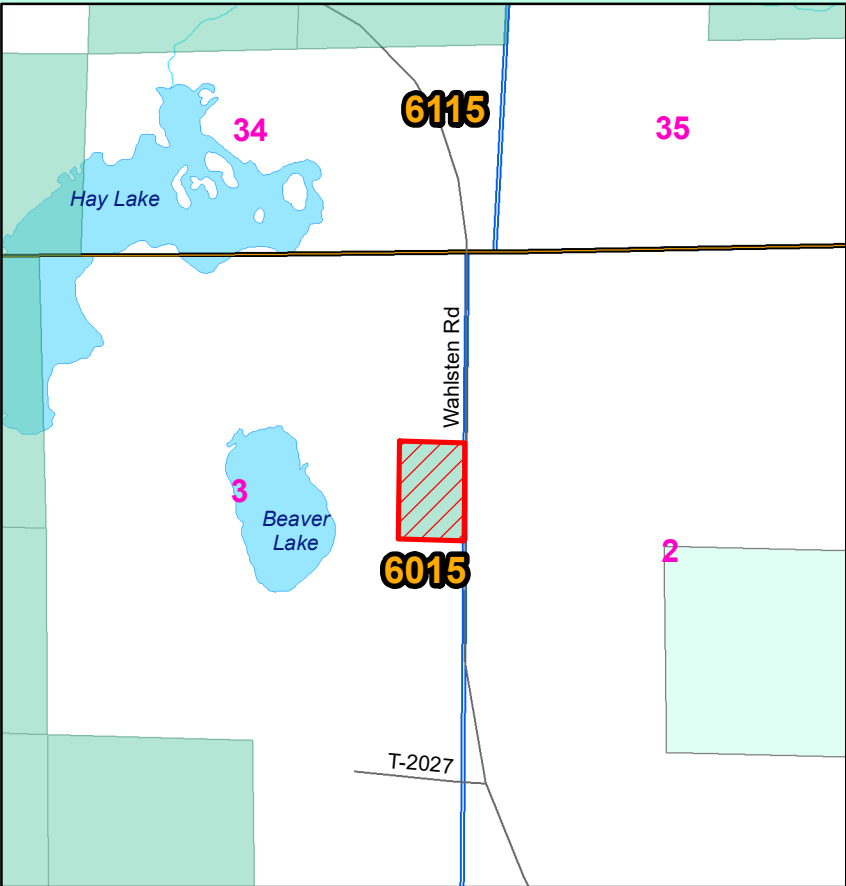


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Memorial Forest Release

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Sec 20 Twp 60 Rge 21

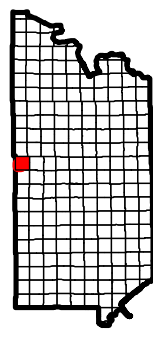
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Town of French Sec: 20 Twp: 60 Rng: 21

Commissioner District # 4

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract

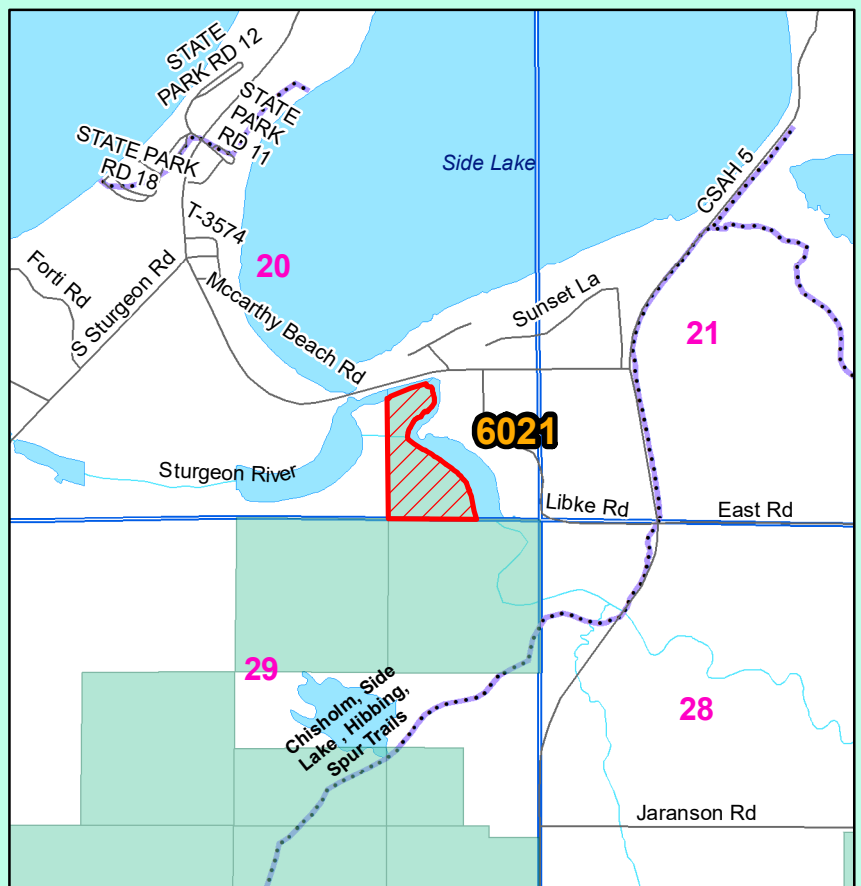


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Memorial Forest Release

Legal : UND 1/2 S 600 FT OF
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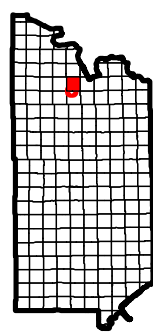
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Town of Portage Sec: 33 Twp: 66 Rng: 17

Commissioner District # 4

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract

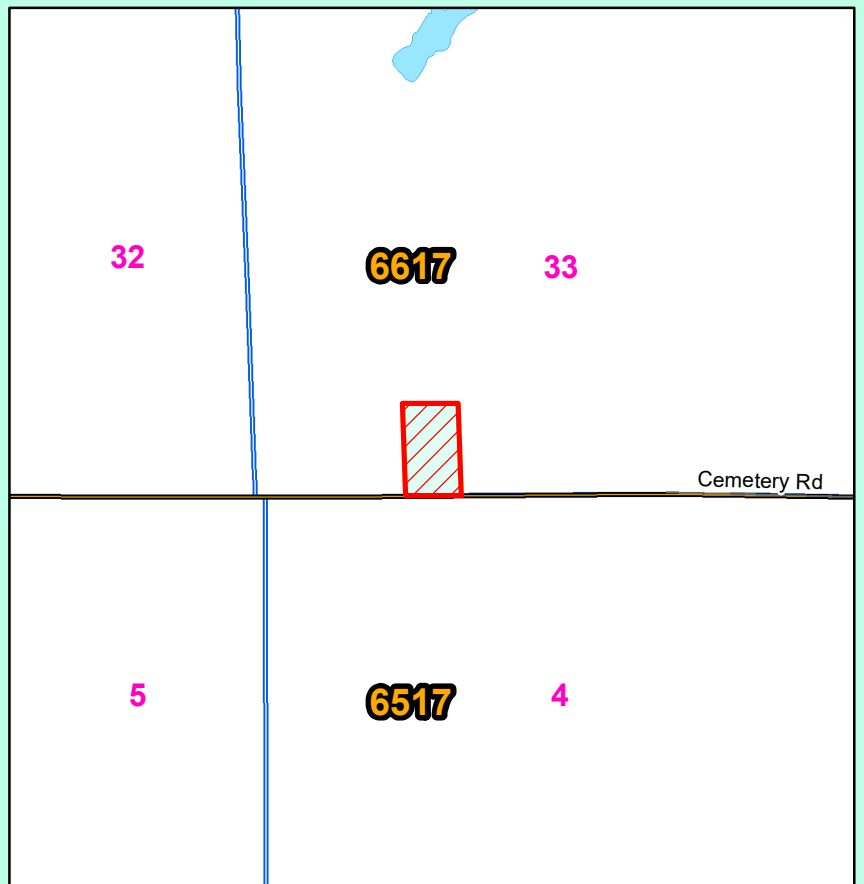


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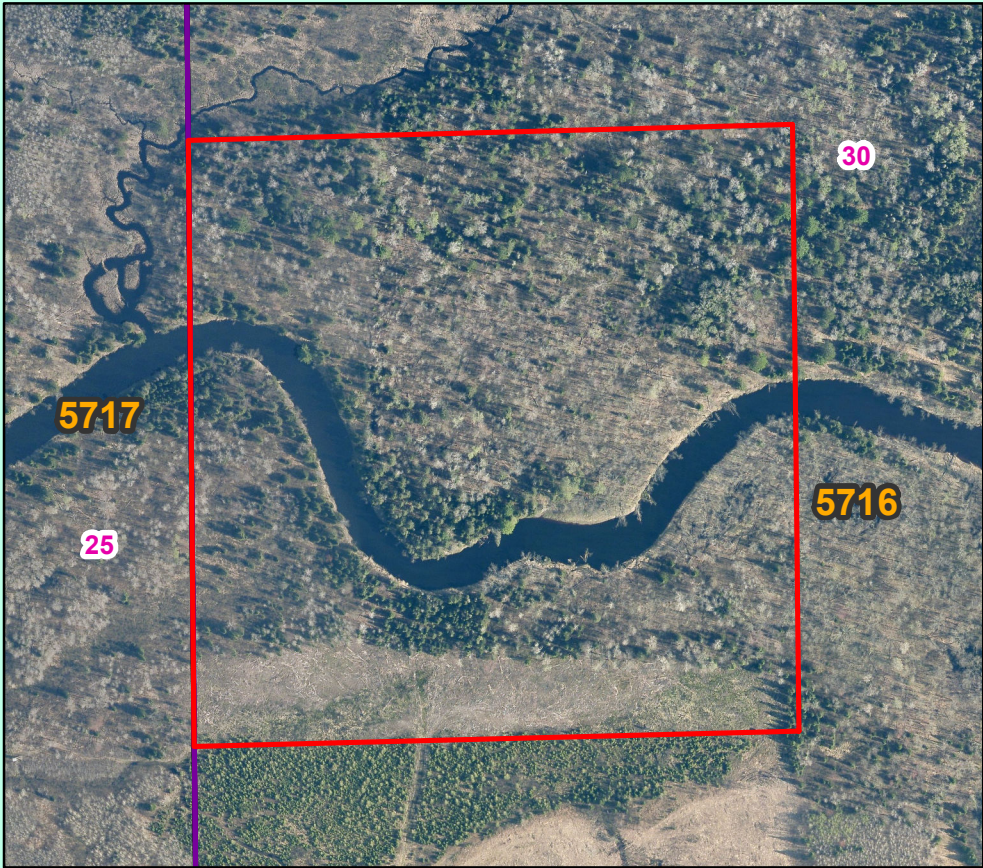


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Memorial Forest Release

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Sec 30 Twp 57 Rge16

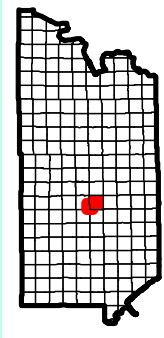
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Unorganized 57 16 Sec: 30 Twp: 57 Rng: 16

Commissioner District # 6

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract

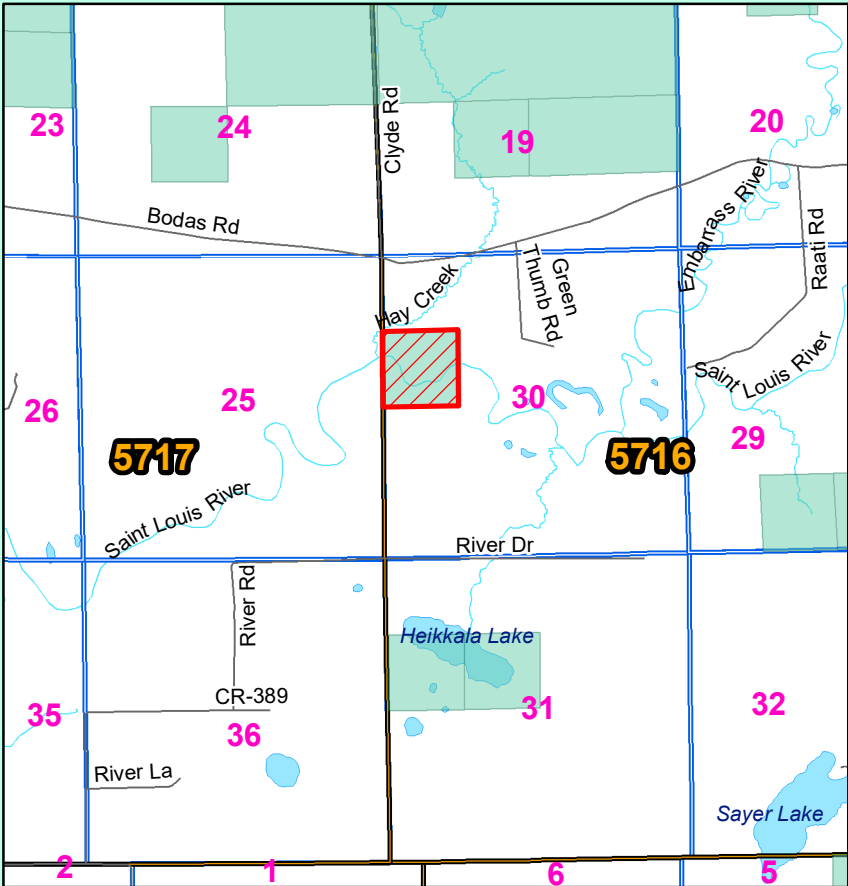


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




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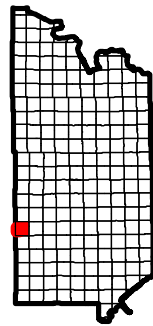
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Unorganized 55 21 Sec: 20 Twp: 55 Rng: 21

Commissioner District # 7

-  State Tax Forfeited Land
-  Water
-  Road
-  Area of Interest
-  Tract

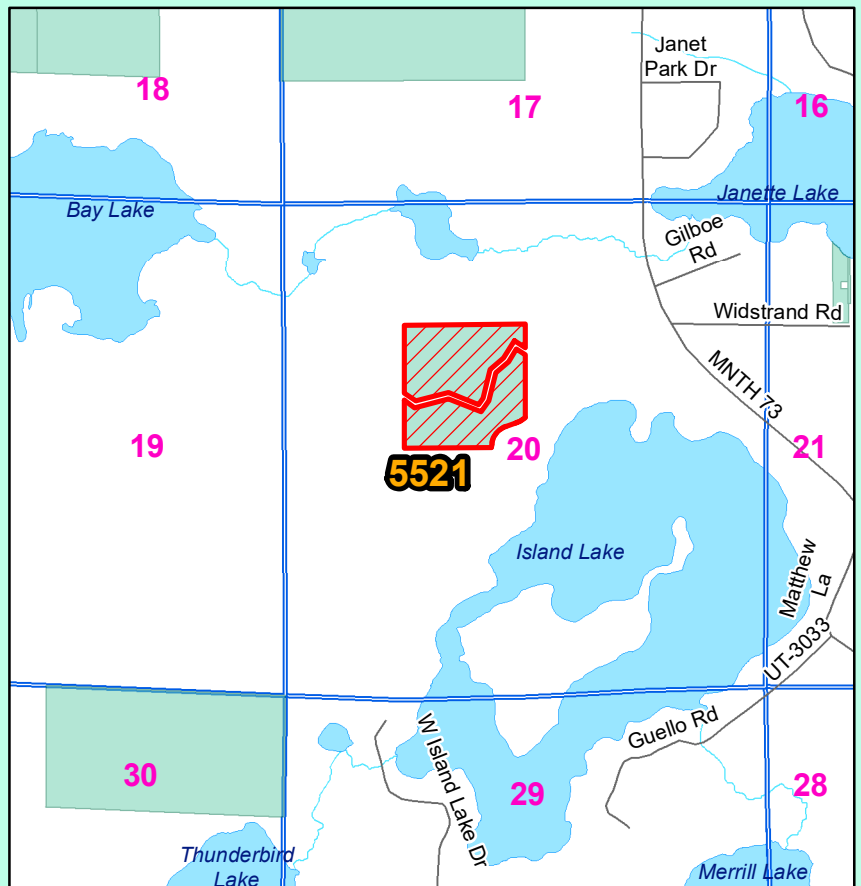


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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 353

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 16

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Conveyance of State Tax
Forfeited Land to Town of
Morse

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve a free conveyance of state tax forfeited land to the Town of Morse for road right of way purposes.

BACKGROUND:

The Town of Morse wishes to acquire a tax forfeited parcel (465-0010-03380) for road right of way purposes. The Town of Morse Board of Supervisors approved Resolution No. 21-4 on April 13, 2021, to request a free conveyance of a tax forfeited parcel for the public use of road right of way.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat § 282.01, Subd. 1a(e), non-conservation state tax forfeited land may be conveyed by the Commissioner of Revenue to a governmental subdivision for an authorized public use with the favorable recommendation of the County Board. All property conveyed under a conditional use deed by the Commissioner of Revenue pursuant to this statutory provision is released from the use restriction and the possibility of reversion 30 years from the date the deed is acknowledged.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve a conveyance of state tax forfeited land to the Town of Morse subject to payment of \$250 Department of Revenue fee, \$250 administrative fee, \$1.65 deed tax, \$25 deed fee, and \$46 recording fee; for a total of \$572.65.

Conveyance of State Tax Forfeited Land to Town of Morse

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 1a(e), upon the favorable recommendation of the County Board, the Commissioner of Revenue may convey state tax forfeited land to another governmental subdivision for an authorized public use without monetary compensation or consideration; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Morse wishes to acquire tax forfeited parcel 395-0010-03121 as described in County Board File No. _____ for road right of way purposes; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8; and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minnesota Stat. § 282.01;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board recommends that the Commissioner of Revenue convey the state tax forfeited land parcel described in County Board File No. _____ to the Town of Morse subject to payment of \$250 Department of Revenue fee, \$250 administrative fee, \$1.65 deed tax, \$25 deed fee, and \$46 recording fee; for a total of \$572.65.

Conveyance of State Tax Forfeited Land to Town of Morse

County Board File No. _____

Legal Description – 465-0010-03380

Govt Lot 4, EXCEPT that part platted as SAARI PLAT; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Govt Lot running thence East 800 feet to point of beginning; thence North 208.7 feet; thence East 208.7 feet; thence South along the westerly line of Saari Road 208.7 feet; thence West along the south line of said Govt Lot 4 to place of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing 1074.07 feet East of Southwest corner; thence North along the east line of Saari Road 162.5 feet to point of beginning; thence East 116 feet; thence Northerly along lakeshore 60 feet, more or less; thence West 123 feet; thence South along Saari Road 60 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Starting at the West quarter corner between Sections 23 AND 24; thence South along the section line between Sections 23 AND 24 for a distance of 1361.9 feet; thence angling to the left 50deg14' for a distance of 263.4 feet to the point of beginning; continuing on aforementioned tangent for a distance of 295.16 feet, said point angling 90deg to the left for a distance of 295.16 feet, at said point angling 90deg to the left for a distance of 295.16 feet, said point angling to the left 90deg for a distance of 295.16 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Northwest corner; thence S27.6393degE 1286.71 feet to point of beginning; thence S38.5399degW 211.45 feet; thence S0.42degE 54.42 feet; thence S39.3717degE 196.90 feet; thence S69.2901degE 297.46 feet; thence N1.8794degE 272.78 feet; thence N53.1206degW 165.19 feet; thence N54.6466degW 182.21 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Lot; thence East 1074 feet along south line to East right of way of Saari Road, being the point of beginning; thence North along right of way 162.50 feet to a point which lies 60 feet South of south line of Lot 1, in SAARI PLAT; thence East along said line to lake shore; thence South along shore to south line of Lot 4; thence West to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Lot 4; thence East along south line 800 feet; thence deflect at an angle of 95deg50'00" to the left along a line referred to as Line "A" 208.7 feet to the point of beginning; thence deflect at an angle of 95deg50'00" to the right 208.7 feet to the West right of way of Saari Road; thence North along West right of way 130 feet, more or less, to its intersection with the South right of way of Township Road #4565; thence Northwest along South right of way 190 feet, more or less, to a point on Line "A" extended to the North; thence South along Line "A" 170 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the line common to NE1/4 of SE/4 AND Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the quarter corner common to Section 23 AND 24 run S04deg06'38"W along said common line 1331.62 feet to point of beginning; thence N90deg00'00"W 413.90 feet; thence North 255.26 feet; thence N65deg58'55"E 116.43 feet; thence N36deg35'08"E 180.05 feet; thence S75deg15'25"E 235.82 feet to said common line; thence continue S75deg15'25"E 124.67 feet; thence N89deg47'42"E 564.58 feet to the centerline of Township Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; thence S25deg45'03"W along centerline 186.44 feet; thence S40deg10'18"W along centerline 218.95 feet; thence S01deg13'07"W along centerline 22.29 feet; thence N90deg00'00"W 490.25 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, which lies Northeasterly of the following described lines: Assuming the west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from Northwest corner being also the West quarter corner of Section 24 run S76deg25'18"E along the north line 294.75 feet to a point on centerline of a Township Road commonly known as Saari Road AND the point of beginning; thence S23deg18'55"W along centerline 2.54 feet; thence S45deg41'36"W along centerline 390.97 feet; thence leaving said centerline S88deg04'51"E 610 feet, more or less, to shore of White Iron Lake and there terminating; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the west line to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner, being also the West quarter corner of Section 24 run S04deg06'38"W along west line 1331.62 feet to point of beginning; thence continue S04deg06'38"W along west line 593.32 feet to Southwest corner of Govt Lot 4; thence S82deg57'27"E along the south line 591.30 feet; thence N01deg12'33"E 208.70 feet; thence S82deg57'27"E 208.70 feet; thence N01deg12'33"E 197.24 feet to centerline of Township Road

#4565 commonly known as Saari Road; thence N67deg39'30"W along centerline 149.06 feet; thence N37deg44'24"W along centerline 217.39 feet; thence N01deg13'07"E along centerline 55.47 feet; thence N90deg00'00"W 490.25 feet to point of beginning, except therefrom the following described parcel: That part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Commencing at West quarter corner between Sections 23 AND 24; thence South along Section line 1361.90 feet; thence angling left 50deg14' 263.40 feet to point of beginning; continuing on same tangent 295.16 feet; thence angling 90deg left 295.16 feet at said point angling 90deg left 295.16 feet; thence angling 90deg left 295.16 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from Northwest corner being also the West quarter corner of Section 24 run S04deg06'38"W along west line 1924.95 feet to Southwest corner of Govt Lot 4; thence S82deg57'27"E along south line 591.30 feet to point of beginning; 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thence continue S80deg16'57"W parallel with AND 600 feet from north line of said NE1/4 of SE1/4, Section 23, 1765 feet, more or less, to shore of Bear Island River; thence Northeasterly along said shore 770 feet, more or less, to a point on north line of said NE1/4 of SE1/4 which bears S80deg16'57"W of point of beginning; thence N80deg16'57"E along said north line 1460 feet, more or less to point of beginning, except all that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the west line of said Govt Lot to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of said Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of said Section 24, run S11deg35'07"E a distance of 600.32 feet to the point of beginning; thence N35deg58'44"W a distance of 117.65 feet; thence S61deg35'31"E a distance of 107.49 feet; thence S82deg38'23"E a distance of 133.28 feet; thence S80deg16'57"W a distance of 159.91 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt 4, described as follows: Assuming westerly line of Lot 11, SAARI PLAT to bear S06deg23'22"E AND from Northwesterly corner of said Lot 11 AND point of beginning run S06deg23'22"E along said westerly line 100 feet to Southwesterly corner of said Lot 11; thence S78deg43'31"W along an extension of southerly line of said Lot 11, 306.14 feet to centerline of Town of Morse Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; thence N17deg10'29"W along said centerline 48.05 feet; thence N24deg13'21"W along said centerline 53.49 feet; thence N78deg46'29"E along an extension of north line of said Lot 11, 331.58 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming westerly line of Lot 10, SAARI PLAT to bear S06deg23'22"E AND from Northwesterly corner of said Lot 10 AND point of beginning run S06deg23'22"E along said westerly line 100 feet to Southwesterly corner of said Lot 10; thence S78deg45'11"W along an extension of southerly line of said Lot 10, 316.76 feet to centerline of Town of Morse Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; thence N08deg19'00"E along said centerline 41.59 feet; thence N03deg13'26"W along said centerline 47.14 feet; thence N17deg10'29"W along said centerline 13.70 feet; thence N78deg43'31"E along an extension of northerly line of said Lot 10, 306.14 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, lying Northerly of south line of Lot 8 of SAARI PLAT, extended Westerly AND lying Southerly of north line of Lot 9 of said SAARI PLAT, extended Westerly AND lying Westerly of west lines of said Lots 8 AND 9 AND lying Easterly of centerline of Town of Morse Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the west line of said Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of said Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of said Section 24, run S11deg35'07"E, a distance of 600.32 feet to the point of beginning; thence S80deg16'57"W, a distance of 167.25 feet to west line; thence S04deg06'38"W along said west line, a distance of 325.50 feet; thence S75deg15'25"E, a distance of 124.67 feet; thence N89deg47'42"E, a distance of 330.38 feet; thence N17deg10'29"W, a distance of 35.57 feet; thence N24deg13'21"W, a distance of

67.03 feet; thence N40deg47'41"W, a distance of 81.14 feet; thence N42deg04'13"W, a distance of 127.79 feet; thence N36deg14'45"W, a distance of 91.10 feet; thence N28deg50'28"W, a distance of 66.86 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of Section 24, run S40deg23'14"E 852.22 feet to the point of beginning; thence S86deg43'11"W 382.17 feet; thence S36deg14'45"E 60.93 feet; thence S42deg04'13"E 127.79 feet; thence S40deg47'41"E 81.14 feet; thence S24deg13'21"E 13.85 feet; thence N78deg43'21"E 525 feet to the shore of White Iron Lake; thence Northwesterly along said shore 178 feet to a point which bears N78deg33'47"E from the point of beginning; thence S78deg33'47"W 244 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of Section 24, run S40deg23'14"E 852.22 feet to the point of beginning; thence S86deg43'11"W 382.17 feet; thence N36deg14'45"W 30.17 feet; thence N28deg50'28"W 66.86 feet; thence N35deg58'44"W 117.65 feet; thence N28deg22'05"W 81.15 feet; thence N20deg11'43"E 73.52 feet; thence S88deg04'51"E 609 feet to the shore of White Iron Lake; thence Southeasterly along said shore 291 feet to a point which bears N78deg33'47"E from the point of beginning; thence S78deg33'47"W 244 feet to the point of beginning. Sec 24 Twp 62 Rge12

Town of Morse

**P.O. Box 660
Ely, Minnesota 55731**

May 20, 2021

Stacy M. C. Melcher
Senior Planner
St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department
Government Services Center
320 W 2nd Street, Suite 302
Duluth, MN 55802

Dear Ms. Melcher:

The Town of Morse Board of Supervisors would like to submit a resolution to acquire tax forfeited land through free conveyance for a public purpose.

RESOLUTION 21-4
RESOLUTION BY TOWN OF MORSE
TO APPLY TO STATE OF MINNESOTA TO ACQUIRE TAX FORFEITED
LAND THROUGH FREE CONVEYANCE FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has a parcel of tax forfeited land PIN 465-0010-03380; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Morse has a road adjacent to this parcel; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 282.01 subdivision 1 a (e) (1) states the commissioner of revenue can convey the parcel to a governmental subdivision for a public use, specifically roads.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Morse, hereby authorizes an application to the State of Minnesota requesting a Conditional Use Deed be awarded to the Town of Morse Lake for tax forfeited parcel 465-0010-03380 for the public use of road right of way

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Town of Morse Board of Supervisors, St. Louis County, Minnesota, this 13h day of April, 2021.

This resolution was passed by unanimous vote of the Town of Morse Board of Supervisors on February 9, 2021.

Thank you.



Nick Wognum, Clerk
Town of Morse
PO Box 660
Ely, MN 55731

Application for State Deed for Tax-Forfeited Land

In St. Louis County

Type of Acquisition

- | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase
(Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a,
par. (b) or subd. 3 or subd. 7a) | <input type="checkbox"/> Financed
(Minn. Stat. §
282.01, subd. 6) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use Deed
(Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a, par. (e))
- Conditional Use Deed Supplement required - | <input type="checkbox"/> School Forest Deed
(Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a, par. (j))
- School Forest Deed Supplement required - |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Remove Blight/Afford. Housing
(Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a, par. (d)) | <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to convey to city or association
(Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a, par. (f) or (g)) | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Exchange
(Minn. Stat. § 94.344) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation-related usage
(Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a, par. (h)) | <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement for Lost/Destroyed Deed
(Minn. Stat. § 282.33) | <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized by statute or special law
(include citation) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Repurchase
(Minn. Stat. § 282.012; Minn. Stat. § 282.241) | <input type="checkbox"/> Release (State Agencies only)
(Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a, par. (c)) | | |

Correction

Is this application intended to correct a previous deed? ☐ Yes (Complete this section) ☒ No (Skip this section)

State deed number of original & date issued: _____

Information being corrected: ☐ Grantee's name ☐ Legal description ☐ Other: _____

Was this state deed recorded? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Recording Date: _____ Recording Number: _____

(If the state deed was not recorded, please return the original state deed with this application.)

Applicant (Grantee)

Name(s) of Applicant(s)

Town of Morse

Address of Applicant

Phone Number or Email of Applicant

PO Box 660

City

State

Zip Code

Ely
MN
55731
Ownership Please check the appropriate box below:

☒ Single ownership ☐ Co-ownership: joint tenancy ☐ Co-ownership: tenancy in common ☐ Co-ownership: other

Date of auditor's certificate of forfeiture

Date tax-forfeited land was sold (required for purchase and repurchase)

Date purchase price was paid in full (if applicable)

Purchase price (if applicable)

Property Information

Legal description of property: (Please email longer legal descriptions to deed.application@state.mn.us)

☐ All or part of the described real property is Registered (Torrens)

TOWN OF MORSE
SEC. 24 TWP. 62.0 RG. 12 LOT: BLK: ACRES: .43 Govt Lot 4, Govt Lot 4, EXCEPT that part platted as SAARI PLAT; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Govt Lot running thence East 800 feet to point of beginning; thence North 208.7 feet; thence East 208.7 feet; thence South along the westerly line of Saari Road 208.7 feet; thence West along the south line of said Govt Lot 4 to place of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing 1074.07 feet East of Southwest corner; thence North along the east line of Saari Road 162.5 feet to point of beginning; thence East 116 feet; thence Northerly along lakeshore 60 feet, more or less; thence West 123 feet; thence South along Saari Road 60 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Starting at the West quarter corner between Sections 23 AND 24; thence South along the section line between Sections 23 AND 24 for a distance of 1361.9 feet; thence angling to the left 50deg14' for a distance of 263.4 feet to the point of beginning; continuing on aforementioned tangent for a distance of 295.16 feet, said point angling 90deg to the left for a distance of 295.16 feet, at said point angling 90deg to the left for a distance of 295.16 feet, said point angling to the left 90deg for a distance of 295.16 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Northwest corner; thence S27.6393degE 1266.71 feet to point of beginning; thence S38.5399degW 211.45 feet; thence S0.42degE 54.42 feet; thence S39.3717degE 196.90 feet; thence S69.2901degE 297.46 feet; thence N1.8794degE 272.78 feet; thence N53.1206degW 165.19 feet; thence N54.6466degW 182.21 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Lot; thence East 1074 feet along south line to East right of way of Saari Road, being the point of beginning; thence North along right of way 162.50 feet to a point which lies 60 feet South of south line of Lot 1, in SAARI PLAT; thence East along said line to lake shore; thence South along shore to south line of Lot 4; thence West to point of beginning. AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Lot 4; thence East along south line 800 feet; thence deflect at an angle of 95deg57'00" to the left along a line referred to as Line "A" 208.7 feet to the point of beginning; thence deflect at an angle of 95deg57'00" to the right 208.7 feet to the West right of way of Saari Road; thence North along West right of way 130 feet, more or less, to its intersection with the South right of way of Township Road #4565; thence Northwest along South right of way 190 feet, more or less, to a point on Line "A" extended to the North; thence South along Line "A" 170 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the line common to NE1/4 of SE1/4 AND Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the quarter corner common to Section 23 AND 24 run S04deg06'38"W along said common line 1331.62 feet to point of beginning; thence N90deg00'00"W 413.90 feet; thence North 255.26 feet; thence N65deg58'55"E 116.43 feet; thence

Wells Please check the appropriate box below:

☐ There are one or more wells on this property. ☒ There are no wells on this property. ☐ No change since last well certificate.
(If wells disclosure certificate has been electronically filed, please list WDC number: _____)

Wetland Certification
☐ The wetland certification form has been completed and attached to this application.

Replacement

Complete this section only if "Replacement for Lost/Destroyed Deed" is selected above as the type of acquisition.

The applicant is (check the appropriate box): ☐ the grantee named in the original deed ☐ the grantee's successor

If the applicant is the grantee's successor, please state the name of the grantee in the original deed (otherwise leave blank): _____

Date that unrecorded state deed was issued

State Deed Number (if known)

Attach a statement of reasons in support of allegations that said deed has been lost or destroyed before it was recorded (please be specific).

Certification

All applications require the signature of the county auditor, date of the signature and raised county seal below. Applications for Replacement Deeds will require the signature of the applicant.

Please provide the information below as it corresponds to the type of acquisition selected on the front of the form.

**Blight/Affordable
Housing**

Auditor to complete this section only if "Remove Blight/Afford. Housing" is selected above as the type of acquisition.

The County Board, or its delegate, of _____ County, Minnesota, has reviewed the application of _____ dated _____, 20____, for the conveyance of certain tax-forfeited land described therein. The county board has determined that: (1) a sale at a reduced price is in the public interest because a reduced price is necessary to provide an incentive to correct the blighted conditions that make the lands undesirable in the open market or the reduced price will lead to the development of affordable housing; and (2) the governmental subdivision or state agency has documented its specific plans or correcting the blighted conditions or developing affordable housing and the specific law or laws that empower it to acquire real property in furtherance of the plans.

Conservation

Auditor to complete this section only if "Conservation-related usage" is selected above as the type of acquisition.

The County Board, or its delegate, of _____ County, Minnesota, has reviewed the application of _____ dated _____, 20____, for the conveyance of certain tax-forfeited land described therein. The county board has determined that a sale at a reduced price is in the public interest for (select one):
 ____ (1) creation or preservation of wetlands; or
 ____ (2) drainage or storage of storm water under a storm water management plan; or
 ____ (3) preservation, or restoration and preservation, of the land in its natural state.

**Failure to
Convey**

Auditor to complete this section only if "Failure to convey to city or association" is selected above as the type of acquisition.

The County Board, or its delegate, of _____ County, Minnesota, has reviewed the application of _____, a (check one) ☐ governmental subdivision / ☐ common interest community, dated _____, 20____, for the free conveyance, due to a prior failure to convey which was duly certified, of certain tax-forfeited land described therein, and recommends that this application be granted.

**Conditional
Use Deed**

Auditor to complete this section only if "Conditional Use Deed" is selected above as the type of acquisition.

The County Board, or its delegate, of _____ County, Minnesota, has reviewed the application of _____ dated _____, 20____, for the conveyance for an authorized public use of certain tax-forfeited land described therein, and recommends that this application be granted.

School Forest

Auditor to complete this section only if "School Forest Deed" is selected above as the type of acquisition.

The County Board, or its delegate, of _____ County, Minnesota, and the Commissioner of Natural Resources has reviewed the application of _____, dated _____, 20____ for the conveyance for a school forest of certain tax-forfeited land described therein, and recommends that this application be granted.

Replacement

Auditor to complete this section only if "Replacement for Lost/Destroyed Deed" is selected above as the type of acquisition.

The property described herein was duly bid in for the state for taxes payable in the year _____, delinquent _____; and became forfeited to the State of Minnesota on the _____ day of _____, _____.

Sign, Seal and Date Here

I certify that the above information is true and correct, the county board has taken the official action required under Minnesota Statute § 270C.88, and that therefore conveyance by state deed of the real property described above should be executed by the Commissioner of Revenue to the above named applicant(s) as required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 282.

Signature of County Auditor _____

County _____

Date of Signature of County Auditor _____

Applicant Signature (Replacement Deed Only) _____

Date of Applicant Signature (Replacement Deed Only) _____

(seal is required if application
is mailed in)

Supplemental Information for a Conditional Use Deed

In St. Louis County

ALL applications (*State Deed Application Form*) for a conditional use deed **must** be accompanied by a completed *Conditional Use Deed Supplement* form.

Property	Property identification number(s) (PIN) for requested property (attach additional sheets if necessary)	
	465-0010-03380	
	Market value of requested property	Total acreage of requested property
	\$1,500.00	0.43
Describe current condition of the parcel (identify any improvements and natural features)		
Rural wooded land along township road		

Forfeiture	Date of recording of auditor's certificate of forfeiture with the county recorder (if applicable)	Recorder's Document number (if applicable)
	Date of recording of auditor's certificate of forfeiture with the county registrar of titles (if applicable)	Registrar's Document number (if applicable)

Public Use	Authorized Public Use (Check only one box)	
	Minnesota Statute § 282.01, subd. 1a, par. (e) limits the authorized public uses for conditional use deeds to the following list. Please check the appropriate box below:	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Road or right-of-way for a road	<input type="checkbox"/> Park
	<input type="checkbox"/> Trails	Will the park be available to and accessible by the public? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Transit facilities	Will there be signage indicating to the public this is a park? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public beach or boat launch	Will the park contain amenities maintained for active utilization by the public? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public parking	Type of amenities: _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Civic recreation or conference facilities	Will the park primarily be open space? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public service facilities	Type of facility: _____
	Describe in detail the intended public use of the property:	
The township would retain this as road right of way.		
Do you anticipate establishing the proposed use within 3-years? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If "no", when do you anticipate the use being established? _____		

Enclosures	Fee Required
	Minnesota Statute § 282.01, subd. 1g requires a fee of \$250 to be submitted to the Commissioner of Revenue along with this application. If this application is denied, the Commissioner shall refund \$150 of the application fee.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The required fee is enclosed.
	Supporting Documentation
Indicate the supporting documentation that you have included for consideration during the review of your application. Please note that some forms of documentation are required. Check all that apply:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Photos (required) <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution authorizing application by the governmental subdivision (required) <input type="checkbox"/> Maps (required) <input type="checkbox"/> Plans documenting the intended use <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

Office Use only	This application it is hereby: rejected ____ granted ____ By _____ Commissioner of Revenue	Fee Paid: ____ Refund: ____
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ST. LOUIS COUNTY LAND & MINERALS DEPARTMENT ADDENDUM
TO THE APPLICATION BY A GOVERNMENTAL
SUBDIVISION FOR CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED
LAND FOR AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC USE
IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY
(to be completed by the applicant)

Name of governmental subdivision (applicant): Town of Morse

Mailing address of applicant: PO Box 660, Ely, MN 55731

Date requested property was forfeited to the State: 2020

Legal description of property (include name of the city/town in which the property is located):

Govt Lot 4, EXCEPT that part platted as SAARI PLAT; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Govt Lot running thence East 800 feet to point of beginning; thence North 208.7 feet; thence East 208.7 feet; thence South along the westerly line of Saari Road 208.7 feet; thence West along the south line of said Govt Lot 4 to place of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing 1074.07 feet East of Southwest corner; thence North along the east line of Saari Road 162.5 feet to point of beginning; thence East 116 feet; thence Northerly along lakeshore 60 feet, more or less; thence West 123 feet; thence South along Saari Road 60 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Starting at the West quarter corner between Sections 23 AND 24; thence South along the section line between Sections 23 AND 24 for a distance of 1361.9 feet; thence angling to the left 50deg14' for a distance of 263.4 feet to the point of beginning; continuing on aforementioned tangent for a distance of 295.16 feet, said point angling 90deg to the left for a distance of 295.16 feet, at said point angling 90deg to the left for a distance of 295.16 feet, said point angling to the left 90deg for a distance of 295.16 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Northwest corner; thence S27.6393degE 1286.71 feet to point of beginning; thence S38.5399degW 211.45 feet; thence S0.42degE 54.42 feet; thence S39.3717degE 196.90 feet; thence S69.2901degE 297.46 feet; thence N1.8794degE 272.78 feet; thence N53.1206degW 165.19 feet; thence N54.6466degW 182.21 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Lot; thence East 1074 feet along south line to East right of way of Saari Road, being the point of beginning; thence North along right of way 162.50 feet to a point which lies 60 feet South of south line of Lot 1, in SAARI PLAT; thence East along said line to lake shore; thence South along shore to south line of Lot 4; thence West to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part described as follows: Commencing at Southwest corner of Lot 4; thence East along south line 800 feet; thence deflect at an angle of 95deg50'00" to the left along a line referred to as Line "A" 208.7 feet to the point of beginning; thence deflect at an angle of 95deg50'00" to the right 208.7 feet to the West right of way of Saari Road; thence North along West right of way 130 feet, more or less, to its intersection with the South right of way of Township Road #4565; thence Northwest along South right of way 190 feet, more or less, to a point on Line "A" extended to the North; thence South along Line "A" 170 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the line common to NE1/4 of SE1/4 AND Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the quarter corner common to Section 23 AND 24 run S04deg06'38"W along said common line 1331.62 feet to point of beginning; thence N90deg00'00"W 413.90 feet; thence North 255.26 feet; thence N65deg58'55"E 116.43 feet; thence N36deg35'08"E 180.05 feet; thence S75deg15'25"E 235.82 feet to said common line; thence continue S75deg15'25"E 124.67 feet; thence N89deg47'42"E 564.58 feet to the centerline of Township Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; thence S25deg45'03"W along centerline 186.44 feet; thence S40deg10'18"W along centerline 218.95 feet; thence S01deg13'07"W along centerline 22.29 feet; thence N90deg00'00"W 490.25 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, which lies Northeasterly of the following described lines: Assuming the west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from Northwest corner being also the West quarter corner of Section 24 run S76deg25'18"E along the north line 294.75 feet to a point on centerline of a Township Road commonly known as Saari Road AND the point of beginning; thence S23deg18'55"W along centerline 2.54 feet; thence S45deg41'36"W along centerline 390.97 feet; thence leaving said centerline S88deg04'51"E 610 feet, more or less, to shore of White Iron Lake and there terminating; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the west line to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner, being also the West quarter corner of Section 24 run S04deg06'38"W along west line 1331.62 feet to point of beginning; thence continue S04deg06'38"W along west line 593.32 feet to Southwest corner of Govt Lot 4; thence S82deg57'27"E along the south line 591.30 feet; thence N01deg12'33"E 208.70 feet; thence S82deg57'27"E 208.70 feet; thence N01deg12'33"E 197.24 feet to centerline of Township Road #4565 commonly known as Saari Road; thence N67deg39'30"W along centerline 149.06 feet; thence N37deg44'24"W along centerline 217.39 feet; thence N01deg13'07"E along centerline 55.47 feet; thence N90deg00'00"W 490.25 feet to point of beginning, except therefrom the following described parcel: That part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Commencing at West quarter corner between Sections 23 AND 24; thence South along Section line 1361.90 feet; thence angling left 50deg14' 263.40 feet to point of beginning; continuing on same tangent 295.16 feet; thence angling 90deg left 295.16 feet at said point angling 90deg left 295.16 feet; thence angling 90deg left 295.16 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from Northwest corner being also the West quarter corner of Section 24 run S04deg06'38"W along west line 1924.95 feet to Southwest corner of Govt Lot 4; thence S82deg57'27"E along south line 591.30 feet to point of beginning; thence N01deg12'33"E 208.70 feet; thence S82deg57'27"E 208.70 feet; thence S01deg12'33"W 208.70 feet to south line; thence N82deg57'27"W along south line 208.70 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming line common to NE1/4 of SE1/4, Section 23 AND Govt Lot 4, Section 24 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from quarter corner common to Sections 23 AND 24 being Northeast corner of NE1/4 of SE1/4 AND Northwest corner of Govt Lot 4 as point of beginning run S76deg25'18"E along north line of Govt Lot 4, 328.23 feet to centerline of Town Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; thence S23deg18'55"W along said

centerline 2.54 feet; thence S45deg41'36"W along centerline 390.97 feet; thence S20deg11'41"W along centerline 73.52 feet; thence S28deg22'05"E along centerline 81.15 feet; thence S61deg35'31"E along centerline 107.49 feet; thence S82deg38'23"E along centerline 133.28 feet; thence S80deg16'57"W 327.10 feet to said common line between NE1/4 of SE1/4, Section 23 AND Govt Lot 4, Section 24, being a point which lies S04deg06'38"W 617.91 feet from point of beginning; thence continue S80deg16'57"W parallel with AND 600 feet from north line of said NE1/4 of SE1/4, Section 23, 1765 feet, more or less, to shore of Bear Island River; thence Northeasterly along said shore 770 feet, more or less, to a point on north line of said NE1/4 of SE1/4 which bears S80deg16'57"W of point of beginning; thence N80deg16'57"E along said north line 1460 feet, more or less to point of beginning, except all that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the west line of said Govt Lot to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of said Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of said Section 24, run S11deg35'07"E a distance of 600.32 feet to the point of beginning; thence N35deg58'44"W a distance of 117.65 feet; thence S61deg35'31"E a distance of 107.49 feet; thence S82deg38'23"E a distance of 133.28 feet; thence S80deg16'57"W a distance of 159.91 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt 4, described as follows: Assuming westerly line of Lot 11, SAARI PLAT to bear S06deg23'22"E AND from Northwesterly corner of said Lot 11 AND point of beginning run S06deg23'22"E along said westerly line 100 feet to Southwesterly corner of said Lot 11; thence S78deg43'31"W along an extension of southerly line of said Lot 11, 306.14 feet to centerline of Town of Morse Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; thence N17deg10'29"W along said centerline 48.05 feet; thence N24deg13'21"W along said centerline 53.49 feet; thence N78deg46'29"E along an extension of north line of said Lot 11, 331.58 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming westerly line of Lot 10, SAARI PLAT to bear S06deg23'22"E AND from Northwesterly corner of said Lot 10 AND point of beginning run S06deg23'22"E along said westerly line 100 feet to Southwesterly corner of said Lot 10; thence S78deg45'11"W along an extension of southerly line of said Lot 10, 316.76 feet to centerline of Town of Morse Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; thence N08deg19'00"E along said centerline 41.59 feet; thence N03deg13'26"W along said centerline 47.14 feet; thence N17deg10'29"W along said centerline 13.70 feet; thence N78deg43'31"E along an extension of northerly line of said Lot 10, 306.14 feet to point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, lying Northerly of south line of Lot 8 of SAARI PLAT, extended Westerly AND lying Southerly of north line of Lot 9 of said SAARI PLAT, extended Westerly AND lying Westerly of west lines of said Lots 8 AND 9 AND lying Easterly of centerline of Town of Morse Road #4565 also known as Saari Road; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming the west line of said Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of said Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of said Section 24, run S11deg35'07"E, a distance of 600.32 feet to the point of beginning; thence S80deg16'57"W, a distance of 167.25 feet to west line; thence S04deg06'38"W along said west line, a distance of 325.50 feet; thence S75deg15'25"E, a distance of 124.67 feet; thence N89deg47'42"E, a distance of 330.38 feet; thence N17deg10'29"W, a distance of 35.57 feet; thence N24deg13'21"W, a distance of 67.03 feet; thence N40deg47'41"W, a distance of 81.14 feet; thence N42deg04'13"W, a distance of 127.79 feet; thence N36deg14'45"W, a distance of 91.10 feet; thence N28deg50'28"W, a distance of 66.86 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of Section 24, run S40deg23'14"E 852.22 feet to the point of beginning; thence S86deg43'11"W 382.17 feet; thence S36deg14'45"E 60.93 feet; thence S42deg04'13"E 127.79 feet; thence S40deg47'41"E 81.14 feet; thence S24deg13'21"E 13.85 feet; thence N78deg43'21"E 525 feet to the shore of White Iron Lake; thence Northwesterly along said shore 178 feet to a point which bears N78deg33'47"E from the point of beginning; thence S78deg33'47"W 244 feet to the point of beginning; AND EXCEPT that part of Govt Lot 4, described as follows: Assuming west line of Govt Lot 4 to bear S04deg06'38"W AND from the Northwest corner of Govt Lot 4 being also the West quarter corner of Section 24, run S40deg23'14"E 852.22 feet to the point of beginning; thence S86deg43'11"W 382.17 feet; thence N36deg14'45"W 30.17 feet; thence N28deg50'28"W 66.86 feet; thence N35deg58'44"W 117.65 feet; thence N28deg22'05"W 81.15 feet; thence N20deg11'43"E 73.52 feet; thence S88deg04'51"E 609 feet to the shore of White Iron Lake; thence Southeasterly along said shore 291 feet to a point which bears N78deg33'47"E from the point of beginning; thence S78deg33'47"W 244 feet to the point of beginning. Sec 24 Twp 62 Rge12, Town of Morse

In preparation of presentation of this application for conveyance of tax-forfeited land to the St. Louis County board, please complete the following questionnaire:

1. Is the proposed use authorized by statute, law, or local charter? Yes ☒ No ☐
2. How is the proposed use likely to serve the public's interest as much or more than returning the parcel to the tax rolls? Road Right of Way
3. Does the parcel contain valuable natural resources? Yes ☐ No ☒
4. Does the parcel have public scenic or aesthetic values? Yes ☐ No ☒
5. Does the parcel contain unique geological features? Yes ☐ No ☒
If yes, what? [Click here to enter text.](#)
6. According to ordinarily available information, is the parcel absent of rare plants or animals? Yes ☒ No ☐ If no, which? [Click here to enter text.](#)

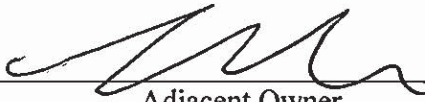
7. According to ordinarily available information, is the parcel absent of important, historic or archeological features? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, which? [Click here to enter text.](#)
8. Is the parcel adjacent to a meandered lake or other public water or water course?
Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, which? [Click here to enter text.](#)
9. What is the zoning designation for the parcel? SMU-7
Which zoning authority? St. Louis County
10. What are the low income requirements for this proposed project? [Click here to enter text.](#)
(If applicable) N/A
11. What are the moderate income requirements for this proposed project?
[Click here to enter text.](#)
(If applicable) N/A

Response Letter

Please check one of the following responses and sign in the appropriate space.

☒ I hereby agree the State tax forfeited lands described above are best suited for a Free Conveyance to a Governmental Subdivision.

☐ I hereby disagree with a Free Conveyance of the above described State tax forfeited lands and I understand that the land may be offered at public auction.



Adjacent Owner
Lacey Fink



Date

Please return by June 25, 2021. No response by this date will be considered in agreement with the Free Conveyance as described above.

Free Conveyance Parcel: 465-0010-03380

Adj owner parcel(s): 465-0010-03385, 465-0240-00035

Adj owner name: FINK LACEY

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LAND COMMISSIONER

Response Letter

Please check one of the following responses and sign in the appropriate space.

X

I hereby agree the State tax forfeited lands described above are best suited for a Free Conveyance to a Governmental Subdivision.

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I hereby disagree with a Free Conveyance of the above described State tax forfeited lands and I understand that the land may be offered at public auction.



Adjacent Owner

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Date

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Adj owner name: FINK KALLIE

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Response Letter

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Nancy R Johnson
Adjacent Owner

6-2-2021
Date

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Free Conveyance Parcel: 465-0010-03380

Adj owner parcel(s): 465-0010-03395

Adj owner name: JOHNSON NANCY R

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Response Letter

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Patrick D. MacMillan

Adjacent Owner

5/4/21

Date

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Free Conveyance Parcel: 465-0010-03380

Adj owner parcel(s): 465-0010-03388, 465-0240-00080

Adj owner name: MACMILLAN PATRICK D & MICHAEL E



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

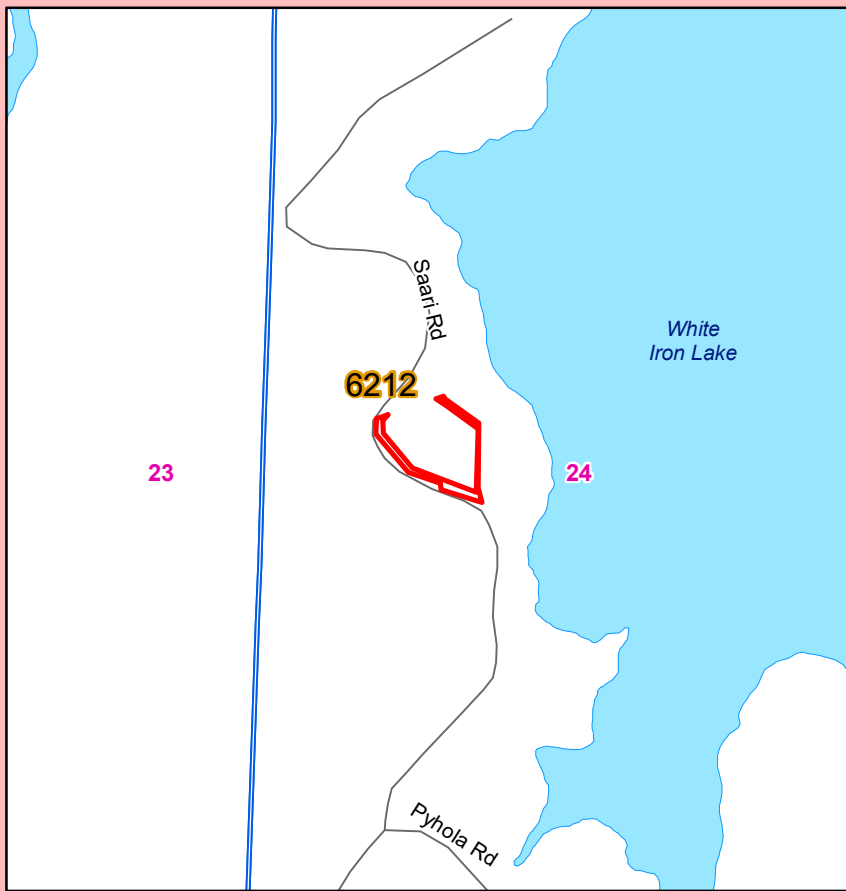
Free Conveyance

Legal: TOWN OF MORSE
See Attached Legal Description
Sec 24 Twp 62 Rge 12

Parcel Code: 465-0010-03380

LDK: 125493

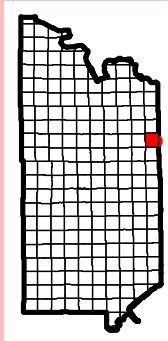
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Town of Morse Sec: 24 Twp: 62 Rng: 12

Commissioner District # 4

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract



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**St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department**

2021



BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 354

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 17

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Sale of Tax Forfeited Land to
the Fond du Lac Band of Lake
Superior Chippewa

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen
County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED LAND DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To perform public services, financial return to the County and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve the sale of state tax forfeited land to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

BACKGROUND:

The 1985 legislature passed into law, Chapter 138, Section 5, which gives the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa the first opportunity to purchase state tax forfeited land to be sold within the Reservation boundary. County Board Resolution No. 86-77, adopted on January 29, 1986, ratified and approved all provisions of Chapter 138, Section 5, of Minnesota Laws for 1985.

The Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa has requested to purchase four parcels of state tax forfeited land totaling 157.5 acres in Stoney Brook Township. The Band has agreed to acquire the land for the estimated market value of \$89,200 plus fees.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the sale of state tax forfeited land to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa for the estimated market value of \$89,200 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$2,676, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$294.36, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$92,241.36, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Sale of Tax Forfeited Land to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, The Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa has requested to purchase state tax forfeited land located within the Fond du Lac Reservation described in County Board File No. _____; and

WHEREAS, The 1985 legislature passed into law Chapter 138, Section 5, which gave the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa the first opportunity to purchase tax forfeited land to be sold within the Reservation boundary; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land have been classified as non-conservation land as provided for in Minn. Stat. Chapter 282.01; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land have not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8; and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Natural Resources has approved the sale of these parcels as required by Minn. Stat. Chapter 282;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land described in County Board File No. _____ to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa for the estimated market value of \$89,200 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$2,676, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$294.36, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$92,241.36, to be deposited into Fund 240 (forfeited tax fund).

Sale of Tax Forfeited Land to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

PARCEL	TWP	RGE	SEC	ACRES	LEGAL	EMV
535-0010-05220	50	18	33	37.5	NW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 EX NE 1/4 OF NW 1/4	\$15,300
535-0010-05250	50	18	33	40	NE 1/4 OF NW 1/4	\$16,300
535-0010-05440	50	18	34	40	SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4	\$22,200
535-0010-05470	50	18	34	40	NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4	\$35,400

Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

Reservation Business Committee

1720 Big Lake Rd.
Cloquet, MN 55720
Phone (218) 879-4593
Fax (218) 879-4146



December 2, 2020

Stacy M. C. Melcher

Senior Planner

St. Louis County

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Roger M. Smith, Sr.

Executive Director,

Tribal Programs

Miyah M. Danielson

Executive Director,

Tribal Enterprises

Terry Savage

Stacy,

The Fond Du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa is interested in purchasing 4 parcels of tax forfeit land from St. Louis County. These parcels are within the boundaries of the Fond du lac Reservation, I have listed the PID numbers below. Fond du Lac would like to purchase these to increase our land base and for recreational purposes. Fond du Lac would like to offer \$89,200.00 for all 4 parcels, this amount is the counties estimated market value.

535-0010-05440

535-0010-05470

535-0010-05250

535-0010-05220

Thank You

Jack Bassett

Operations Director

Fond Du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

218-878-8043

jackbassett@fdlrez.com



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Special Sale

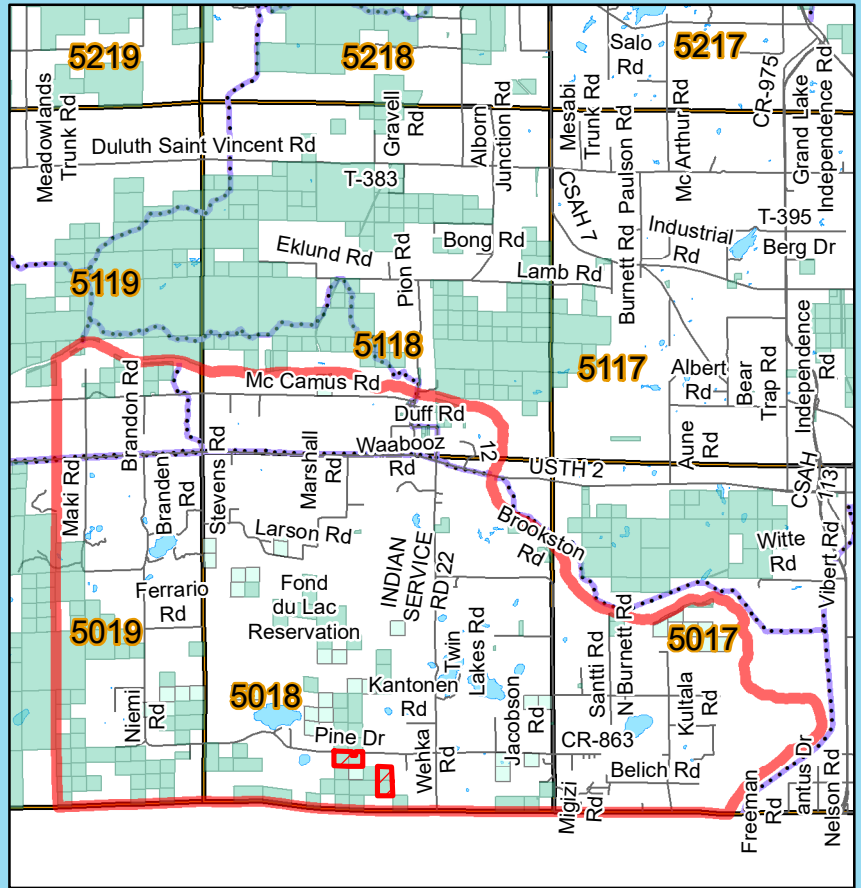
Town of Stoney Brook

NW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 EX NE 1/4 OF NW 1/4
Sec 33 Twp 50 Rge 18
Parcel Code : 535-0010-05220
Acres: 37.5

NE 1/4 OF NW 1/4
Sec 33 Twp 50 Rge 18
Parcel Code : 535-0010-05250
Acres: 40

SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4
Sec 34 Twp 50 Rge 18
Parcel Code : 535-0010-05440
Acres: 40

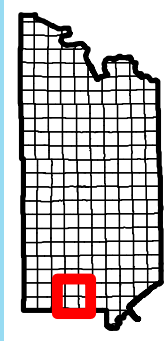
NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4
Sec 34 Twp 50 Rge 18
Parcel Code : 535-0010-05470
Acres: 40



Town of Stoney Brook Secs: 33,34 Twp:50 Rng 18

Commissioner District # 7

- State Tax Forfeited Land
- Water
- Road
- Area of Interest
- Tract

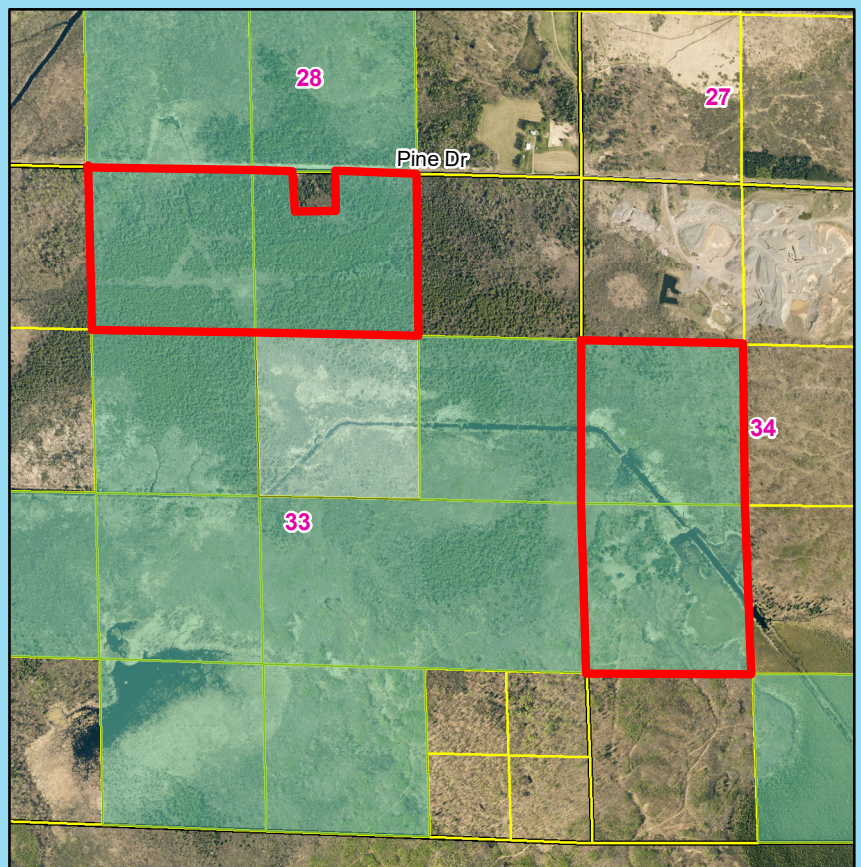


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**St. Louis County
Land and Minerals Department**

2021



BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 355

ENVIRONMENTAL & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 18

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021 **RE:** Authorization to Apply for and
Accept MN Board of Water &
Soil Resources SSTS
Abatement Grant

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Matthew E. Johnson, Director
Planning and Community Development

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To ensure the policy direction set by the St. Louis County Board is implemented in an effective and efficient manner.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize the Planning and Community Development Department to apply for and accept up to \$200,000 in grant funding from the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) Clean Water Fund to assist with the upgrade of Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems (SSTS) for low-income residents.

BACKGROUND:

In collaboration with the St. Louis County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA), the Department established the SSTS Abatement Program in 2012 to assist low-income households with deferred loans to replace failed SSTS identified as Imminent Threats to Public Health. The deferred loans will be fully forgiven if the owner lives in the home for 5 (five) years. The primary source of program funding has been the BWSR Clean Water Fund. In previous years, HRA funding has served as a local match, providing leverage funds to make the BWSR application more competitive. Beginning in 2016, Environmental Trust Funds served as the required local match of 25%.

BWSR recently notified the Department that grant funding is available and the application is due August 17, 2021. The Department requests authorization to apply for and accept up to \$200,000 in BWSR grant funding, using Environmental Trust Funds for the local match. In 2018, the County was awarded \$100,000 of which 100% has been

spent or is committed to approved projects. The County did not apply in 2019 due to unspent grant funds. In 2020, the County applied to BWSR but was not awarded.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the Planning and Community Development Department to apply for and accept up to \$200,000 in grant funding from the BWSR Clean Water Fund to be used in the Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems Abatement Program for the upgrade of substandard SSTs for low-income households in St. Louis County. It is further recommended to authorize the Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute any grant and agency agreements where necessary.

**Authorization to Apply for and Accept MN Board of Water & Soil Resources SSTS
Abatement Grant**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) notified the Planning and Community Development Department that grant funding is available to assist low-income households with the abatement and upgrade of Subsurface Sewage Treatment System (SSTS) identified as Imminent Threats to Public Health; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Environmental Services Department has previously applied for, and received, funding through this grant in 2016 and 2018.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Planning and Community Development Department to apply for and accept up to \$200,000 in grant funding from the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources Clean Water Fund to assist low-income households in St. Louis County with the abatement and upgrade of subsurface sewage treatment systems identified as Imminent Threats to Public Health. Funds will be deposited into Fund 286, Agency 286999, Revenue 530102, Grant 28601, Year 2022, or its designated fund.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That should the grant application be successful, matching funds in the amount of 25% will be provided from the Environmental Trust Fund (Shoreline Sales Fund 500, Agency 500001), or its designated fund.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute any grant and agency agreements where necessary.

Exhibit A
GRANT APPROVAL FORM

This form must be completed for any and all grants.

SECTION I—GRANT INFORMATION *(to be completed by department's assigned accounting staff)*

Please Note: It is acceptable that some details are later added (once the grant is awarded).

GRANT NAME: 2022 CWF SLC Projects & Practices GRANT PERIOD: _____
(If known) (begin date)
GRANTOR: MN Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR) _____
(end date)
FUND: 286 AGENCY: 286999 GRANT: 28601 GRANT YEAR: 2022

Indicate the source of funds—*(check all that apply)*

☐ Local—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)
Local Agency: _____

☒ State—Object Code: _____ Amount: \$200,000 Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)
State Agency: MN Board of Water & Soil Resources Award #: _____

☐ Federal—Object Code: _____ Amount: _____ Amount: _____
(Apply) (Accept)

Grant Agreement (State Contract) #: _____
(If federal dollars are passed through state)

Federal Agency: _____ CFDA#: _____

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(If applicable) (If applicable)

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(If applicable) (If applicable)

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT: \$200,000

Expenditure for match amount should be moved into grant code. However, if this is *not* possible, indicate where expenditures will be accounted for.

FUND: _____ AGENCY: _____ OBJECT: _____ PROJECT: _____ AMOUNT: _____
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TOTAL MATCH AMOUNT: \$50,000

ACCOUNTING STAFF *(who is primarily responsible for fiscal oversight of grant):*

NAME: Jackie Alkey PHONE: 218-471-7672

DEPARTMENT CONTACT *(who is primarily responsible for program/project outcomes of grant):*

NAME: Matthew Johnson PHONE: 218-725-5008

****IMPORTANT****

Please submit this document (SECTION I) to the department contact, providing direction regarding which form should be completed.

- ☒ New *(first-time submitted)* or previously-submitted grant—*Complete Form A*
- ☐ Request for recurring grant to be included in December Budget Resolution*—*Complete Form B*
- ☐ Request for amendment of previously adopted Board Resolution—*Complete Form C*

*Departments must complete *Form B* for any grant (of any amount) that is included in the proposed budget.

SECTION II—APPROVAL (to be completed by department contact)

Form A (New or Previously-Submitted Grant)

PURPOSE: Approval to Apply for Grant—(complete prior to applying for grant award)

Please check the appropriate box:

☐ New (first-time submitted) grant

☒ Previously submitted grant*

*Departments are highly encouraged to request recurring grants (that were previously submitted) to be included in the December Budget Resolution—Form B—if dollar amounts do not fluctuate significantly.

STEP #1: Obtain authorization to apply for grant—(required for all grants of any amount)

Dept. Head Authorization:

Signature

Date

Administrator Authorization:

Signature

Date

Auditor Authorization:

Signature

Date

STEP #2: Confirm whether grant amount is greater than \$25,000—

☐ No (grant amount is less than or equal to \$25,000)—

Give grant contract (once received) to County Attorney's Office for review.

Reviewed by:

Attorney Name

Date

Damion #: _____

☒ Yes (grant amount is greater than \$25,000)—

Submit *Section I* (Cover Sheet) of the "Grant Approval Form," Board Letter and Resolution to Administration to seek County Board approval. It is acceptable that Section I is not completed in its entirety until the grant has been awarded. NOTE: Board authorization to accept the grant is required (upon notification of award).

Apply: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

Accept: Board Letter #: _____ Board Resolution #: _____ Date Adopted: _____

STEP #3: Ensure proper documentation is entered into the system, and the appropriate parties are notified.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Submit *Section I* and *II* (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form," along with all grant documents (application, award notification, contract, etc.) to the accounting staff person to enter the grant award into the financial system.

ACCOUNTING STAFF: If this grant includes federal funding, please send an electronic copy of *Section I* and *II* (Form A) of this "Grant Approval Form" as notification to wehselerh@stlouiscountymn.gov with "Federal Funds" in the Subject of the e-mail.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 356

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 19

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Memorandum of
Understanding with the
Friends of the Wellstone
Memorial

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Jim T. Foldesi
Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

Wally Kostich, Executive Director
Arrowhead Regional Corrections

Julie Marinucci, Director
Land and Minerals

RELATED DEPARTMENTAL GOAL:

To perform public services.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between St. Louis County and the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial, an unincorporated group of Wellstone family members and Wellstone family friends (the Wellstone Group).

BACKGROUND:

St. Louis County and the Wellstone Group intend to work together to ensure the Wellstone Memorial located just outside of Eveleth will long remain a fitting and inspirational affirmation of the legacy of Paul and Sheila Wellstone, and a loving tribute to their daughter Marcia Wellstone Markuson, their colleagues Mary McEvoy, Tom Lopic, and Will McLaughlin, all of whom died in a plane crash near the site of the Memorial on October 25, 2002. This six-acre Memorial was completed in 2005 and is divided into three parts: the Legacy Trail, the Commemorative Circle, and the Crash Site Narrative Space. The Memorial was constructed on County fee lands dedicated by the County with donations from the Wellstone Action Fund. This MOU is intended to maintain public awareness and interest in the Wellstone Memorial and to ensure the site remains in good condition into the future.

In addition to providing a site for the Wellstone Memorial, St. Louis County will use Arrowhead Regional Correction adult work crews or other local organizations to maintain the physical grounds on a reasonably regular basis. The County will plow the parking lot of the Memorial, as needed, to facilitate winter use of the trails, and will periodically use maintenance staff to supplement grounds maintenance on a seasonal basis as needed. St. Louis County Lands & Minerals will serve as the point of contact for the Wellstone Group for future site activities.

The Wellstone Group has raised sufficient funds to replace the historic placards located at the Memorial. All future funds raised will be deposited with one or more non-profit fiscal agent(s) and will be disbursed under the control and direction of the Iron Range Tourism Bureau.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize a Memorandum of Understanding between St. Louis County and the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial to ensure the Wellstone Memorial is properly maintained and remains a fitting tribute into the future.

Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County and the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial wish to execute a Memorandum of Understanding to ensure the Wellstone Memorial remains a fitting and inspirational affirmation of the legacy of Paul and Sheila Wellstone, and a loving tribute to their daughter Marcia Wellstone Markuson, their colleagues Mary McEvoy, Tom Lopic, and Will McLaughlin, all of whom died in a plane crash near the site of the Memorial on October 25, 2002; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County will coordinate periodic maintenance of the Memorial site as needed; and

WHEREAS, The Friends of the Wellstone Memorial will use their best efforts to raise sufficient funds to maintain the historic placards located at the Memorial as needed;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes St. Louis County to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Wellstone Group to ensure the Wellstone Memorial is properly maintained into the future and remains a fitting tribute to the Wellstone family and colleagues.

DAVE WELLSTONE

August 2, 2021

St. Louis County Board of Commissioners

To the Members of the Board of Commissioners:

About a year ago, my brother and I learned that the historical placards at the Wellstone Memorial Site in Eveleth, originally installed at the Site in 2005, had significantly weathered and deteriorated over time, and needed complete replacement. We assembled a small group of long-time close friends of the Wellstone family, to figure out a game plan for replacing the placards and maintain the vitality of the Memorial Site long into the future. Early on, we reached out to and got considerable assistance from Mike Jugovich, Julie Marinucci, Ida Rukavina, and Beth Pierce. After we raised the money to purchase replacement placards, volunteers from the Iron Range Building Trades, under the leadership of Mike Syversrud and Aaron Wright, cleaned up the site, removed the old placards and installed the new ones on July 9th, with great coverage from the local press. Now, we are requesting some assistance from the County to help us put in place a long-term plan for the Wellstone Memorial Site. At your Board meeting on August 3rd, you will be asked to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with our group that will be the foundation for assuring the Site's future for many, many years to come. The people of St. Louis County always came through for my Dad like nowhere else in the state. We already owe you our deepest gratitude for all of that. With your help, the Memorial Site will continue to honor those ties and that legacy. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Wellstone". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dave" being more prominent than the last name "Wellstone".

Dave Wellstone

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into as of August____, 2021, by and between St. Louis County (the “County”) and the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial, an unincorporated group of Wellstone family members and Wellstone family friends (the “Wellstone Group”).

The County and the Wellstone Group intend to work together to assure that the Wellstone Memorial (the “Memorial”) located just outside of Eveleth (7365 Bodas Road, Eveleth, MN) will long remain a fitting and inspirational affirmation of the legacy of Paul and Sheila Wellstone, and a loving tribute to their daughter Marcia Wellstone Markuson, their colleagues Mary McEvoy, Tom Lopic, and Will McLaughlin, all of whom died in a plane crash near the site of the Memorial on October 25, 2002. This six acre Memorial was completed in 2005 and is divided into three parts: the Legacy Trail, the Commemorative Circle, and the Crash Site Narrative Space. The Memorial was constructed on lands dedicated by St. Louis County with donations to the Wellstone Action Fund. This MOU intended to ensure this Memorial remains in good condition into the future.

The County and the Wellstone Group will take on the following responsibilities:

1. The Wellstone Group has already raised sufficient money and replaced the historical placards located at the Memorial with exact duplicates. The placards were in disrepair and required immediate replacement.
2. The Wellstone Group will use its best efforts to raise sufficient money over the next two years to replace the placards multiple times in the future, understanding that the placards have a useful life of seven to twelve years.
3. Any money raised by the Wellstone Group for this purpose will be deposited into one or more non-profit fiscal agents and disbursed under the control and direction of the Iron Range Tourism Bureau.
4. The Wellstone Group will use its best efforts to facilitate the replacement process, as needed (securing the original artwork, providing contact information with respect to the firms that created the original placards, etc.)
5. The County authorizes the Memorial to exist on St. Louis County Fee lands.
6. The County will use Arrowhead Regional Correction Adult Work Crew or other local organizations to maintain the physical grounds of the Memorial, focusing on the walking trail at the Memorial site, and a parking lot located at the Memorial site, on a reasonably regular basis from the Spring through the Fall. This maintenance shall include clearing debris, trash, leaves, overgrown weeds, etc.
7. The County will plow the parking lot of the Memorial, as needed, to facilitate winter use of the trails.

8. The County will periodically send over County maintenance staff to supplement the grounds maintenance of the Memorial, again on a seasonal basis, and only if and when needed.
9. The County and the Wellstone Group shall collaborate to maintain public awareness of and interest in the Memorial in the years to come.

Wellstone Group

St. Louis County

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 357

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: American Rescue Plan Act
Funds, St. Louis County
Broadband Infrastructure Grant
Program

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Matthew Johnson, Director
Planning and Community Development

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To assist communities in achieving housing, economic development, and community development objectives.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to invest and distribute up to \$1,750,000 in 2021-2024 American Rescue Plan Act Funds and authorize the establishment of a St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program to assist communities with financing broadband infrastructure to expand investment in high-speed broadband initiatives in their communities to unserved or underserved areas in St Louis County.

BACKGROUND:

Broadband refers to internet connections that can transfer data and information at high speeds. Broadband service in Minnesota and St. Louis County is delivered through the fiber and coaxial networks of cable providers; Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) service over the telephone network; optical fiber to the home or business; mobile and fixed wireless systems; and satellite connections. These networks also involve Internet Service Providers (ISPs) who provide all types of internet access, domain registration, hosting, and other services in order to connect to and utilize these networks.

This patchwork of networks and ISP's has resulted in various unserved and underserved areas in Minnesota and St. Louis County. To address this, the State of Minnesota has set the goal that (1) no later than 2022, all Minnesota businesses and homes have access to high-speed broadband that provides minimum download speeds of at least 25 megabits per second and minimum upload speeds of at least three (3) megabits per second; and (2) no later than 2026, all Minnesota businesses and homes have access to at least one provider of broadband with download speeds of at least 100 megabits per second and upload speeds of at least 20 megabits per second.

In order to assist communities within St. Louis County to reach these goals, it is proposed that St. Louis County establish a new “Broadband Infrastructure” grant program to provide financial resources to help encourage and assist communities with financing broadband infrastructure to expand investment in high-speed broadband initiatives in their communities to unserved or underserved areas in St. Louis County. The County’s program eligibility would primarily focus on providing funding for architectural and engineering fees, consulting costs and services, personnel costs, surveys, broadband equipment, construction costs, and similar costs associated with broadband infrastructure construction.

Applicants will be able to seek grants up to \$400,000 per project, must address unserved or underserved areas, and will be required to provide a 1:1 match. It is recommended that the program become effective immediately upon board approval. Applications will be reviewed on an on-going basis subject to grant funding availability. The funds will be disbursed in accordance with program requirements to qualifying cities, townships or non-profits located within unserved or underserved areas of St. Louis County. Furthermore, private businesses will be eligible to apply with the support and on behalf of governmental entities and non-profit organizations.

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act guidelines provide for a one-time opportunity to fund this type of program and specifically allows for broadband funding. It is proposed that \$1,750,000 in ARP funds be used to fund the program. The County broadband infrastructure program will need to conform and adhere to ARP guidelines. This proposed program and its guidelines have also been reviewed by the County’s external auditor and found to be in compliance with all aspects of the Act.

A framework of the proposed program guidelines is attached but not yet finalized. Should the Board support the establishment of the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program, staff will make final revisions based upon Board feedback and guidance of the County Attorney’s office.

From an economic development perspective, greater broadband service will serve public, private residences, and business needs across the regional economy. The County has statutory authority under Minn. Stat. §375.83 to make such a contribution.

RECOMMENDATION:

Should the Commissioners support this request, it is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the establishment of and funding for up to \$1,750,000 for a Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program to be paid from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act funding, Fund 239, Object 239054 or its designated fund, and further authorizes appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreements and associated documents as necessary to administer the program and fund projects.

**American Rescue Plan Act Funds, St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure
Grant Program**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, High-speed internet broadband service has become vital to St. Louis County's economy; and

WHEREAS, There are unserved and underserved broadband service areas of St. Louis County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The County has identified the need to establish a St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program to assist communities with financing broadband infrastructure to expand investment in high-speed broadband initiatives in their communities to unserved or underserved areas in St. Louis County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The County has previously identified economic development as a strategic priority; and

WHEREAS, The County seeks to invest up to \$1,750,000 in 2021-2024 American Rescue Plan Act Funds in broadband infrastructure projects of which is allowed under the Act; and

WHEREAS, The County also has statutory authority through Minn. Stat. § 375.83 to make such a contribution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the establishment of the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program per Board File No. _____.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves initial funding of up to \$1,750,000 in funds for the program from an allocation of St. Louis County's American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents as necessary to administer the program and fund projects in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act, payable from Fund 239, Object 239054 or its designated fund.



St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant

PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Form

9002

Rev. 8-5-2021

Background: The St. Louis County "Broadband Infrastructure Grant" supports local broadband initiatives by providing financial assistance to eligible projects. Application and additional information can be found online at: www.stlouiscountymn.gov/broadband

Funding	Up to \$400,000 for eligible projects (\$1.75 million total available for grants countywide).
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PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Program Purpose	To assist communities with financing broadband infrastructure in unserved or underserved areas in St. Louis County, Minnesota (refer to eligible project areas below).
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Program Goal	Provide high-speed, reliable, and affordable Internet access that establishes or improves broadband service to unserved or underserved populations throughout St. Louis County.
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Eligible Applicants	Cities, townships, tribal units, and non-profits located within St. Louis County. Private businesses are eligible to apply with the support and on behalf of government entities and non-profit organizations. <i>Multi-organization collaborations are encouraged.</i>
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Eligible Project Areas	<p>Unserved or Underserved Areas in St. Louis County</p> <p>An unserved area is an area in which households or businesses lack access to wire-line broadband service at speeds that meet the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) threshold of 25 megabits per second (Mbps) download and 3 megabits per second (Mbps) upload.</p> <p>An underserved area is an area in St. Louis County in which households or businesses do receive service at or above the FCC threshold of 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload but lack access to wire-line broadband service at speeds of 100 Mbps download and 20 Mbps upload.</p>
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Eligible Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Broadband infrastructure construction. ✓ Broadband service designed to deliver, upon project completion, service that reliably meets or exceeds symmetrical upload and download speeds of 100 Mbps as required by the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act guidelines. <p>Note: Under ARP guidelines, there may be instances in which it would not be practicable for a project to deliver such service speeds because of the geography, topography, or excessive costs associated with such a project. In these instances, service delivery speeds must reliably meet or exceed 100 Mbps download and between at least 20-100 Mbps upload speeds and be scalable to a minimum of 100 Mbps symmetrically for download and upload speeds.</p>
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Project Costs	Eligible Costs	Ineligible Costs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Architectural and engineering fees, consulting costs and services, personnel costs, surveys, construction costs, broadband equipment, and similar costs associated with infrastructure construction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Acquisition of property, non-related construction equipment purchases, right-of-way, food, rent, travel, conferences. ✓ Infrastructure cost/expenses incurred outside of St. Louis County.

Match Funds Requirement	Requires a 1:1 financial match (one part applicant and one part County). The match must be committed and can come from any private and/or public source.
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Priorities Scoring Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Leverages provider partnership/investment (20 pts) ✓ Serves unserved and/or underserved areas (20 pts) ✓ Number of households and businesses served (20 pts) ✓ Speeds reach or exceed ARPA download and upload speeds (20 pts) ✓ Project readiness (10 pts) ✓ Strong citizen participation and support (5 pts) ✓ Leverages government investment (5 pts)
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APPLICATION PROCESS

Application Deadline	All eligible applications will be reviewed on an on-going basis subject to grant funding availability. St. Louis County reserves the sole right to select and fund broadband projects.
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Application Requirements	All applicants must provide an approved resolution to apply for, accept and match grant funds.
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Contact Information	Brad Gustafson Planning and Community Development St. Louis County, Minnesota	Phone: (218) 742-9563 Email: gustafsonb@stlouiscountymn.gov Web: www.stlouiscountymn.gov/broadband
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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 358

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Approval of a Broadband
Infrastructure Grant -
Consolidated Telephone
Corporation (CTC)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Matthew Johnson, Director
Planning and Community Development

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To assist communities in achieving housing, economic development, and community development objectives.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve the Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC) request, in partnership with the Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), the city of Rice Lake and the towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna, to St. Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant program in the amount up to \$400,000 to provide a grant match to a federal program application for a broadband public infrastructure construction project for these jurisdictions.

BACKGROUND:

St. Louis County Board is considering the and establishment of guidelines for a St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant program. This program would assist communities within St. Louis County with resources to help encourage and assist communities with financing broadband infrastructure construction to expand investment in high-speed broadband initiatives in their communities to unserved or underserved areas in St. Louis County, MN.

Program applicants can obtain grants of up to \$400,000 per project, must address unserved or underserved areas, and will be required to provide a 1:1 match. Program eligibility primarily focuses on providing funding for architectural and engineering fees, consulting costs and services, personnel costs, surveys, construction costs, broadband equipment, and similar costs associated with broadband infrastructure construction.

In anticipation of this programs approval, St. Louis County has received a request from CTC, in partnership with the Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), the City of Rice

Lake and the Towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna, to provide a grant match of up to \$400,000 to be part of a federal funding grant application to help fund a public infrastructure construction project to install broadband service to approximately 2,115 homes, businesses, and community public facilities in the City of Rice Lake and the Towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna. The City of Rice Lake and Townships have committed to approximately \$900,000 in additional funds to the project.

The total project cost is estimated to be approximately \$10 million. CTC is a not-for-profit telecommunications cooperative headquartered in Brainerd, MN and is currently writing a federal broadband grant which must be submitted prior to August 17, 2021. The grant will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications, and Information Administration (NTIA) Broadband Infrastructure Program in partnership between CTC, Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), the City of Rice Lake and the towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna.

If the grant is awarded, CTC will construct a fiber to the premise network which can deliver multi gigabit download and upload speeds to residents, businesses, and community institutions within the project area. The grant would create a base for future CTC growth of broadband services in the region.

The grant application is a competitive process for the \$288 million that is available through NTIA. NTIA has multiple grant scoring criteria metrics. One such metric is the amount of local match applicants pledge to the project to provide greater leverage of scarce federal grant dollars. Therefore, CTC and its partners request St. Louis County to consider pledging matching funds to this broadband project. If awarded, the investment by the County would leverage \$10 million in combined federal grant funds, local community funds, and private funding from CTC.

This request conforms to the St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant program guidelines and is funded by the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act in the amount of \$1,750,000. If approved, the remaining balance in the County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant program will be \$1,350,000.

It is further recommended, that if the funds are not awarded by NTIA, that the project funds are placed back into St Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program pool of funds for other broadband project awards.

RECOMMENDATION:

Should the Commissioners support this request, it is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC) request, in partnership with the Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), the City of Rice Lake and the Towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna, to St. Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant program in the amount up to \$400,000 to provide a grant match to a federal program application for a broadband public infrastructure construction project for these jurisdictions, and to be paid from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act funding, Fund 239, Object 239054 or its designated fund, and further

authorizes appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreements and associated documents as necessary to administer the program and fund projects.

Approval of a Broadband Infrastructure Grant - Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC)

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, High-speed internet broadband service has become vital to St. Louis County's economy and is an important public infrastructure for all residents, businesses, and public facilities within St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, There are unserved and underserved broadband service areas in St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The County has established a St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program to assist communities with financing broadband public infrastructure to expand investment in high-speed broadband initiatives in their communities to unserved or underserved areas in St Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The County has received a Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC) request, in partnership with the Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), the City of Rice Lake and the Towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna, to St. Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant program in the amount up to \$400,000 to provide a grant match to a federal program application for a broadband public infrastructure construction project for these jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, CTC is in the process of working with these communities and applying to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Broadband Infrastructure Program to help financially support this approximately \$10 million dollar broadband public construction project; and

WHEREAS, If awarded, it may be required under Minn. Stat. § 116J.993 through 116J.995, Business Subsidy Law, that a public hearing be conducted prior to granting any business subsidy in an amount greater than \$150,000 in value, if applicable; and

WHEREAS, Funding is available through St. Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program which is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act; and

WHEREAS, The County has previously identified economic development as a strategic priority; and

WHEREAS, The County has statutory authority through Minn. Stat. § 375.83 to make such a contribution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the Broadband Infrastructure Grant program application from Consolidated Telephone

Corporation (CTC) in the amount up to \$400,000 to be used as part of a federal funding grant match for the broadband public infrastructure construction project in the City of Rice Lake and the Towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents as necessary to administer the program, comply with American Rescue Plan Act, and fund projects, payable from Fund 239, Object 239054 or its designated fund.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes that if the funds are not awarded by NTIA, that the project funds are placed back into St Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program pool of funds for other broadband project awards.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That should it be determined that a public hearing be required under Minn. Stat. § 116J.993 through 116J.995, such hearing will be held only after it is determined if CTC is successful in its NTIA grant application.



August 4, 2021

St. Louis County Board of Commissioners
St. Louis County Courthouse
100 North 5th Ave. West
Duluth, MN 55802

Sent via e-mail

Dear Commissioners,

Consolidated Telephone Company (CTC), a not-for-profit telecommunications cooperative headquartered in Brainerd, MN is currently writing a federal broadband grant which must be submitted prior to August 17th, 2021. The grant will be submitted to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) as a partnership between CTC, Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), the City of Rice Lake, Lakewood Township, Normanna Township, Gnesen Township and Canosia Township.

If the grant is awarded CTC will construct a fiber to the premise network which can deliver multi gigabit download AND upload speeds to residents, businesses, and community anchor institutions (City Hall, Town Halls etc..) within the project area. The grant would create a base for future CTC growth of broadband services in the region.

The grant application process is extremely competitive as only \$288M is available through NTIA. NTIA has multiple grant scoring criteria metrics. One such metric is the amount of local match applicants pledge to the project to provide greater leverage to scarce federal grant dollars.

The elected officials and many citizens within the project area have been well organized and a strong reason why CTC chose to apply for funding in St. Louis County – we applaud their hard work and appreciate all their efforts.

CTC requests St. Louis County consider pledging matching funds in the amount of \$405,000.00 to this critical broadband project. If awarded, the investment by the County would leverage \$10M in combined federal grant and private funding from CTC.

CTC looks forward to continuing our efforts to bridge the digital divide in St. Louis County. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Buttweiler", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Joe Buttweiler
Director of Business Development

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NTIA Broadband Infrastructure Program

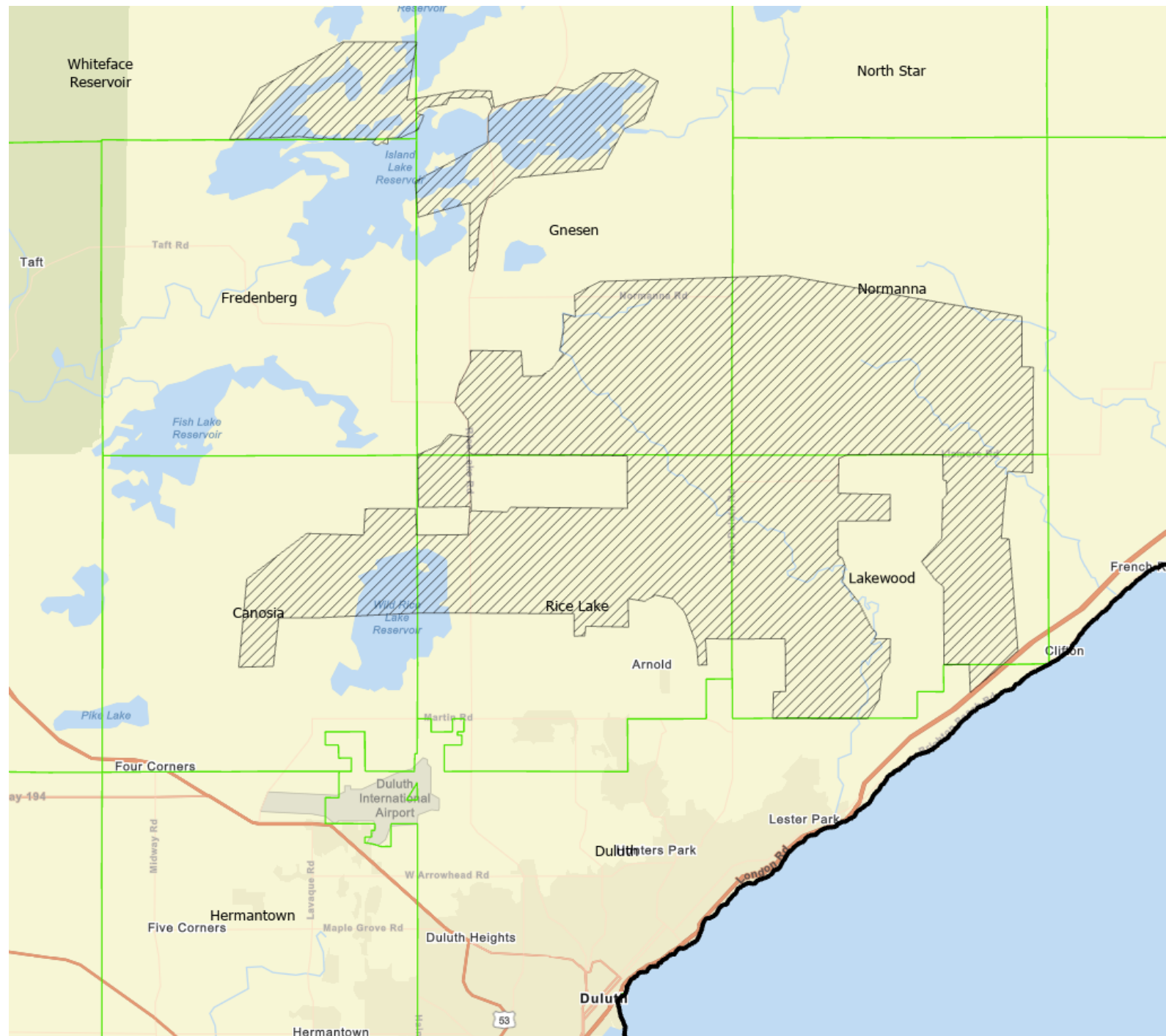
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- One time grant program
- Applications due August 17th
- Only \$288M available
- Awards anticipated Nov. 15th
- Requires a Public/Private partnership
- \$5M - \$30M award amounts
- Required match at least 10%
- Eligible locations must have less than 25/3Mbps

SCORING CRITERIA

- Projects with most locations move to objective evaluation (Merit Review):
 - Number of locations served
 - Affordability of services offered
 - Technical Approach & Network
 - Organizational Capacity
 - Cost Effectiveness
 - Sustainability of Project
 - Funding Match
- Programmatic Review
 - Scoring, NTIA Staff recommendations
 - Match amount, Geographic distribution

CTC NTIA Broadband Project Area



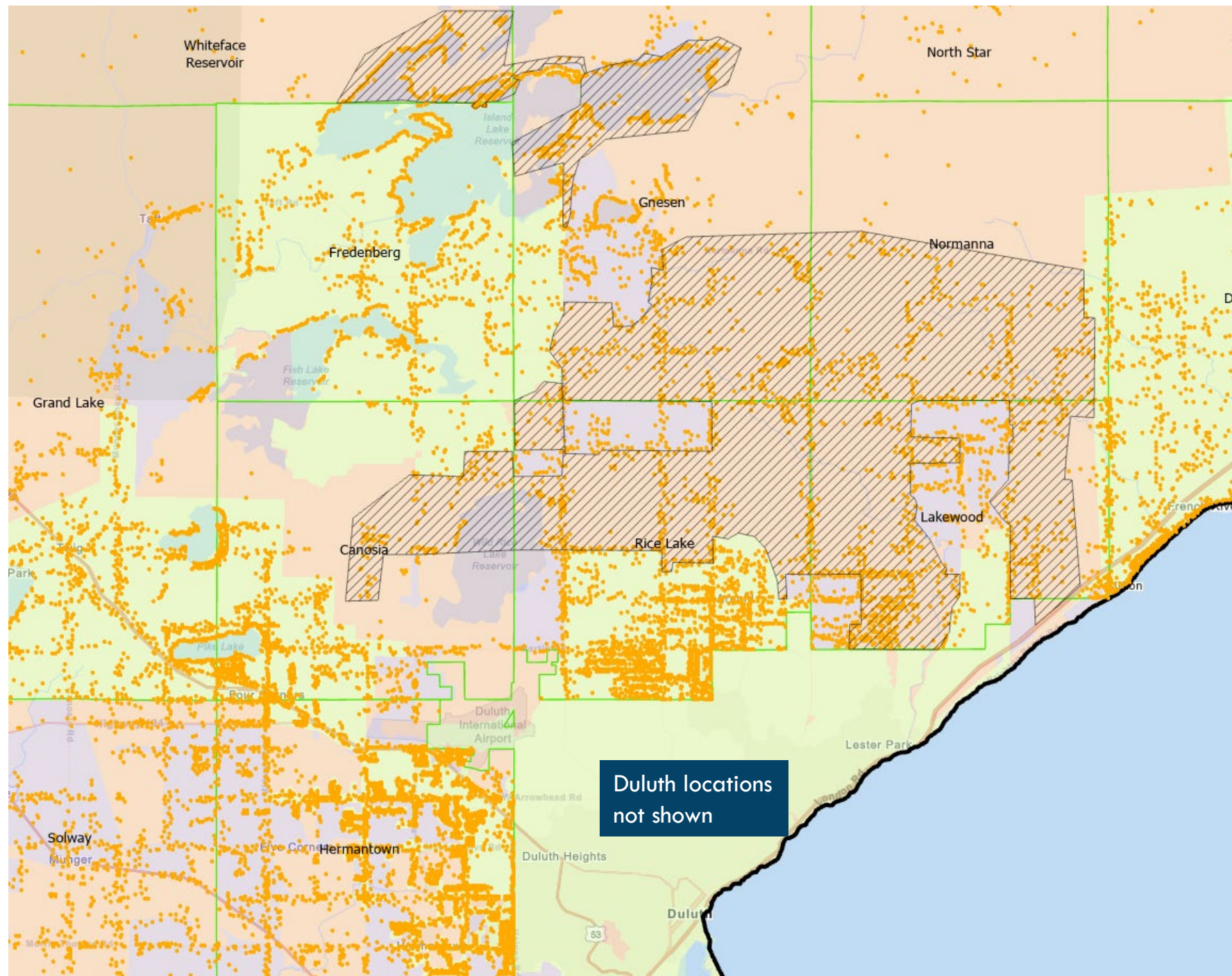
CTC NTIA Broadband Project Area: 2,115 Passings within project area



UNSERVED (LESS
THAN 25/3)



UNDERSERVED
(GREATER THAN
25/3, LESS THAN
100/20)



Project Capital Costs & Match Needs

Potential Funding Partners:

- CTC
- Canosia Twp
- Gnesen Twp
- Lakewood Twp
- Normanna Twp
- City of Rice Lake
- St. Louis County
- NESC (in-kind)

- Total Passings Within Project Area: 2,115
- Grant Eligible Costs: \$9,748,010
- Non-Eligible Costs (to access project area): \$349,620
- Total Project Cost: \$10,097,630

Match %	Match Amount	Non Eligible Grant Amount	Total Funding Required	Total Grant Funds Requested
10%	\$ 974,801	\$ 349,620	\$ 1,324,421	\$ 8,773,209
20%	\$ 1,949,602	\$ 349,620	\$ 2,299,222	\$ 7,798,408
25%	\$ 2,437,003	\$ 349,620	\$ 2,786,623	\$ 7,311,008
30%	\$ 2,924,403	\$ 349,620	\$ 3,274,023	\$ 6,823,607
35%	\$ 3,411,804	\$ 349,620	\$ 3,761,424	\$ 6,336,207
40%	\$ 3,899,204	\$ 349,620	\$ 4,248,824	\$ 5,848,806
45%	\$ 4,386,605	\$ 349,620	\$ 4,736,225	\$ 5,361,406
50%	\$ 4,874,005	\$ 349,620	\$ 5,223,625	\$ 4,874,005
60%	\$ 5,848,806	\$ 349,620	\$ 6,198,426	\$ 3,899,204

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 359

CENTRAL MANAGEMENT & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

RE: Consulting Services for
Real Property Appraisal and
Negotiations for the Voyageur
Landfill in Canyon

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

Dave Fink, Interim Director
Environmental Services

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To ensure the policy direction set by the St. Louis County Board is implemented in an effective and efficient manner.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize an agreement with Stoel Rives, LLP to conduct a real property appraisal, a title search, and property acquisition assistance of a site in Canyon for possible future development of an integrated solid waste facility to further address St. Louis County Sanitary District capabilities, landfill life, and potentially expand services to other counties within the Arrowhead region.

BACKGROUND:

The St. Louis County Regional Landfill (Landfill) opened in November 1993 and is the only mixed municipal solid waste (MSW) landfill in northeastern Minnesota, providing MSW disposal to the County's Solid Waste Management Area (SWMA). The SWMA includes all of St. Louis County outside the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District (WLSSD) boundary. Landfill capacity is projected to last another twenty years, based on current fill rates. Geologic and geographic constraints prevent significant expansion of the Landfill footprint and related capacity.

For several years, the Environmental Services Department (Department) has been evaluating alternative waste disposal options for the SWMA after the Landfill reaches its permitted ultimate capacity. Included in the options is the siting of a MSW landfill sized to serve the SWMA, with expansion capability to serve the WLSSD, neighboring

counties and closed dumps and landfills, should conditions warrant.

As it appears well suited, the Department identified the Voyageur Industrial Landfill site in Canyon, currently owned by Voyageur Disposal and Processing, Inc. and Waste Management of Minnesota, Inc., as a possible future MSW landfill for the following reasons:

- Public lands surround the parcels on three sides, ensuring adequate area for the ability to site an integrated solid waste facility consisting of a MSW landfill, a processing facility and an onsite leachate treatment and management system;
- Already existing on the site is a Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) permitted industrial landfill, that has the potential to be re-permitted to accept MSW;
- The site is centrally located on Highway 53 between the Iron Range and Duluth and its neighboring communities (the two largest waste generation areas in the Arrowhead Region);
- Based on initial review, the site meets or exceeds basic MPCA MSW landfill siting requirements.

The Department has retained the services, on an as needed basis, of Stoel Rives, LLP, a nation-wide legal consulting firm with an office in Minneapolis. The Minneapolis office focuses, in part, on providing guidance to public sector entities in Minnesota related to environmental, land use and solid waste issues involving regulatory compliance, due diligence and negotiation related to facility and property transfers, and siting, permitting and development of solid waste facilities.

Recently, the Department requested and received a proposal from the firm in the amount of \$199,000 to conduct a real property appraisal, a title search, and property acquisition assistance of the Voyageur Industrial Landfill in Canyon to determine if further consideration of the landfill as a critical component of the Department's long-range waste management plan is warranted. The request was made per Minn. Stat. § 383C.807 which authorizes St. Louis County to contract for the acquisition of solid waste facilities or property for solid waste facilities with or without advertisement for bids.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize a professional services agreement with Stoel Rives, LLP to conduct a real property appraisal, a title search, and property acquisition assistance of the Voyageur Industrial Landfill in Canyon to determine if the landfill warrants further consideration as a critical component of the Department's long-range waste management plan.

**Consultant Services for Real Property Appraisal and Negotiations for the
Voyageur Landfill in Canyon**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Regional Landfill (Landfill) opened in November 1993 and provides Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) disposal to the County's Solid Waste Management Area (SWMA); and

WHEREAS, Absent additional improvements and investment, the Landfill capacity is projected to last another twenty years, based on current fill rates; and

WHEREAS, The Environmental Services Department (Department) has evaluated alternative waste disposal options for the SWMA after the Landfill reaches permitted ultimate capacity, including the siting of a MSW landfill sized to serve the SWMA, with capability to serve the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District, neighboring counties and closed dumps and landfills, should conditions warrant; and

WHEREAS, The Department selected for consideration the Voyageur Industrial Landfill site in Canyon; and

WHEREAS, The Department has retained the services, on an as needed basis, of Stoel Rives, LLP, a nation-wide legal consulting firm with an office in Minneapolis that focuses, in part, on providing guidance to public sector entities in Minnesota related to environmental, land use and solid waste issues involving regulatory compliance, due diligence and negotiation related to facility and property transfers, and siting, permitting and development of solid waste facilities; and

WHEREAS, The Department contracted with Stoel Rives, LLP, earlier this year to conduct a comprehensive environmental assessment of the Voyageur Industrial Landfill in Canyon to determine if the landfill warrants further consideration as a critical component of the Department's long-range waste management plan; and

WHEREAS, Based on the environmental assessment results, the Department requested and received a proposal from Stoel Rives, LLP, to conduct a real property appraisal and title search, and to assist the Department with property acquisition discussions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County Officials to enter into a professional services agreement with Stoel Rives, LLP, to conduct a real property appraisal and title search, and property acquisition assistance of the Voyageur Industrial Landfill at a cost of \$199,000 payable from Fund 600, Agency 608001, and Object 660268.

**Resolution for Closed Session of the
Committee of the Whole for Litigation Purposes**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3(b), the Committee of the Whole may close a meeting as permitted by the attorney-client privilege; and

WHEREAS, The County Attorney requires candid and open discussion to provide legal advice to the Committee of the Whole with respect to a proposed settlement and litigation strategy relating to *Morrison-Thompson v. Straw*, a state-court action arising from a motor-vehicle accident that occurred at the intersection of U.S. Highway 53 and East Leander Road (also known as County State Aid Highway 87) in Angora Township in January 2015, in a closed session of the Committee of the Whole; and

WHEREAS, A closed session would benefit the public because potential financial liability could result in the expenditure of public funds;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Committee of the Whole will convene a closed session on August 10, 2021, for the purpose of discussing the proposed settlement and litigation strategy relating to *Morrison-Thompson v. Straw* in accord with Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3(b).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That no other pending public business will be discussed at this closed session.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 361

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: August 10, 2021

**RE: Required Face Coverings in all
St. Louis County Buildings**

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray
County Administrator

**Linnea Mirsch, Director
Public Health and Human Services**

**James R. Gottschald, Director
Human Resources and Administration**

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide effective and efficient government.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to direct the County Administrator to require face coverings to be worn by employees and visitors in all county buildings and by employees conducting in-person meetings with individuals served away from county owned facilities in the course of their work.

BACKGROUND:

State and local public health officials have recently identified St. Louis County as having “Substantial Transmission” of COVID-19, with a significant number of the positive cases being the Delta variant. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) both recommended that everyone wear masks in indoor, public settings. Previously, only unvaccinated people were recommended to wear masks. Now, all people, regardless of vaccination status, are recommended to mask up to maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent spreading it to others.

In an interest to protect the health and personal safety of county citizens seeking services in county buildings, the county's own employees as well as any citizens who are not able to be vaccinated, the county is requested to direct its County Administrator to institute a face covering requirement for all county facilities and in-person meetings with individuals served away from county owned facilities in the course of their work.

RECOMMENDATION:

Should Commissioners wish to direct the County Administrator to institute a requirement for employees and visitors to wear face coverings in county buildings, in consultation with the County Board Chair, a Board Resolution is attached.

Required Face Coverings in all St. Louis County Buildings

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization deemed COVID-19 to be a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a Presidential National Emergency, and Governor Tim Walz declared a Peacetime State of Emergency in Minnesota, to authorize any and all necessary resources to be used in support of the response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Due to available vaccine and resulting decrease in reported cases Governor Tim Walz did not renew the Peacetime Emergency in Minnesota and the St. Louis County Board, on July 6, 2021, adopted Resolution No. 21-398 terminating its local state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, Because of the continuing and increasing spread of COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) now recommends that face coverings be worn indoors in public spaces in locations where there is “substantial” or “high” transmission rate of the virus; and

WHEREAS, The CDC has subsequently identified a new COVID variant (Delta) that has been found to be more easily transmittable, even within the vaccinated population; and

WHEREAS, The CDC COVID tracker now indicates that the rate of transmission of COVID-19 in St. Louis County is “substantial”; and

WHEREAS, On August 2, 2021, the Sixth Judicial District Chief Judge issued an order that face coverings be worn in the courtrooms and in publicly accessible areas/hallways in and adjacent to the courtrooms and Court Administration offices in all St. Louis County Courthouses; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board finds that the COVID-19 Delta variant is concerning and with the potential for outbreak in St. Louis County increasing, and the need for taking steps to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public and its employees will not be resolved in the immediate future.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners, effective immediately, directs the County Administrator (or designee) to institute a face covering requirement for all county employees and visitors to county facilities, regardless of vaccination status, when inside facilities and offices owned or operated by the county, and for employees when they are conducting in-person county meetings away from county owned facilities in the course of their work.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That a face covering requirement so implemented, be reviewed for ongoing necessity and actively managed (paused and reinstated) by the County Administrator, in consultation with the Board Chair, until the end of the COVID-19 public health crisis or rescission by County Board action.