

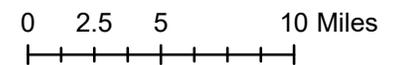
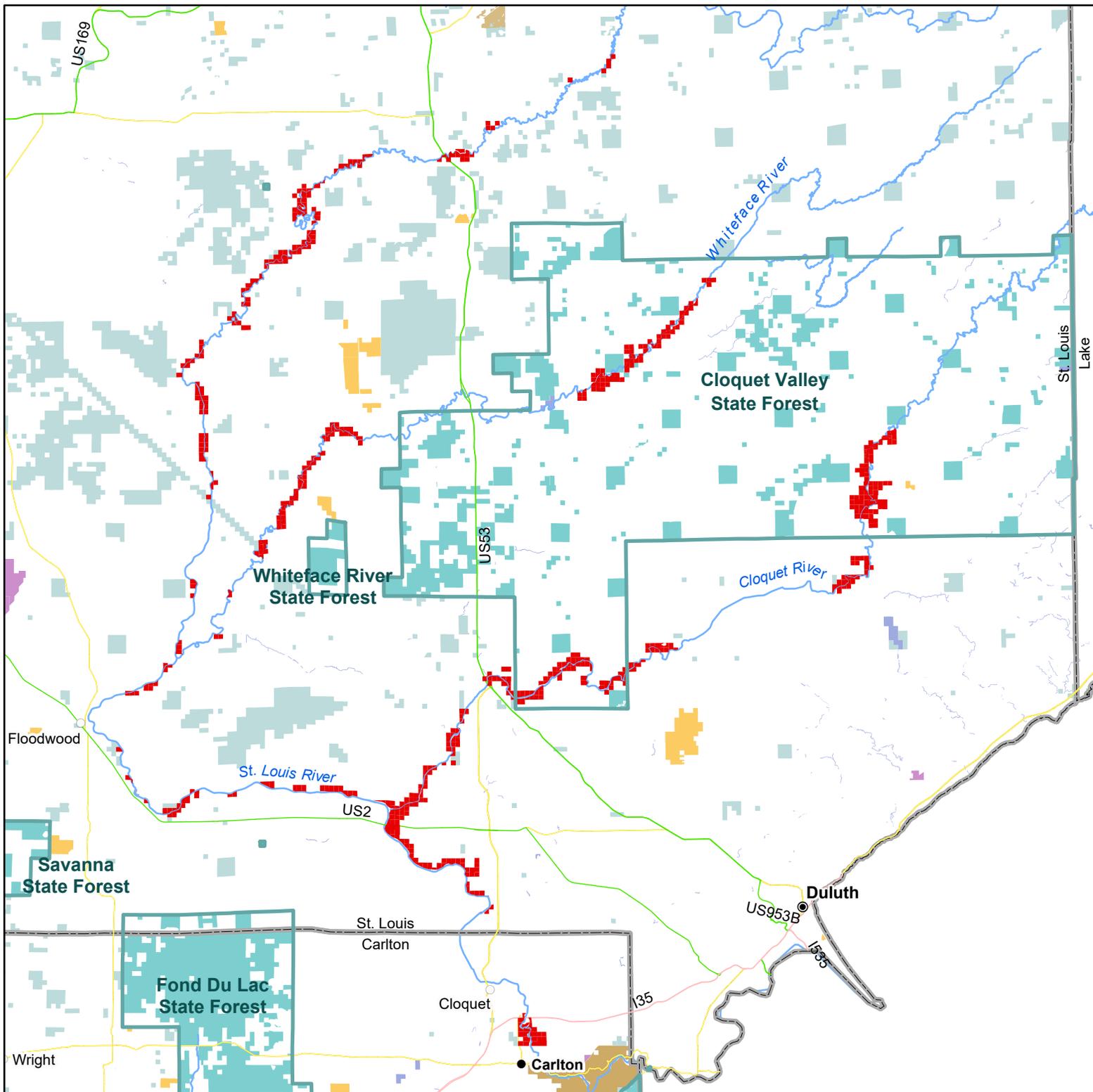
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-  State Forests - Existing Statutory Boundary
-  Proposed Riverlands State Forest

Existing Management Units

-  Aquatic Management Area
-  Scientific and Natural Area
-  State Forest Land
-  Other Forest Land
-  State Parks
-  State Recreation Areas
-  Wildlife Management Area



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Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park State Park Addition/Granelda Conservation Easement Overview Map

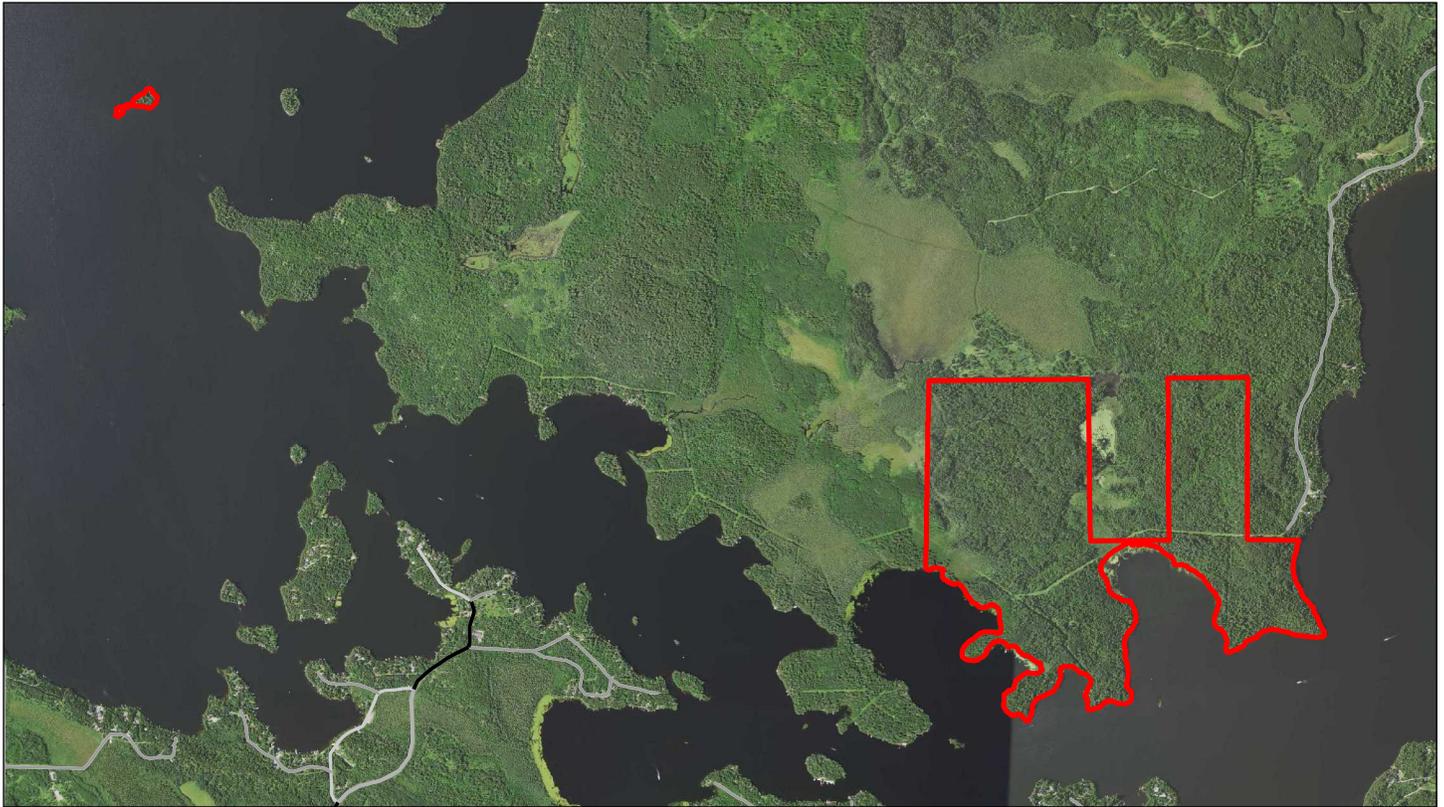
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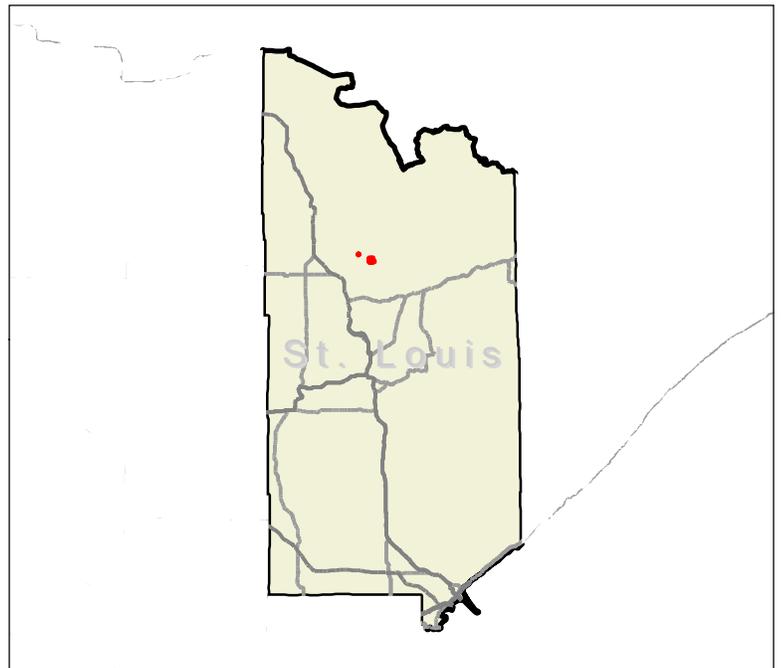
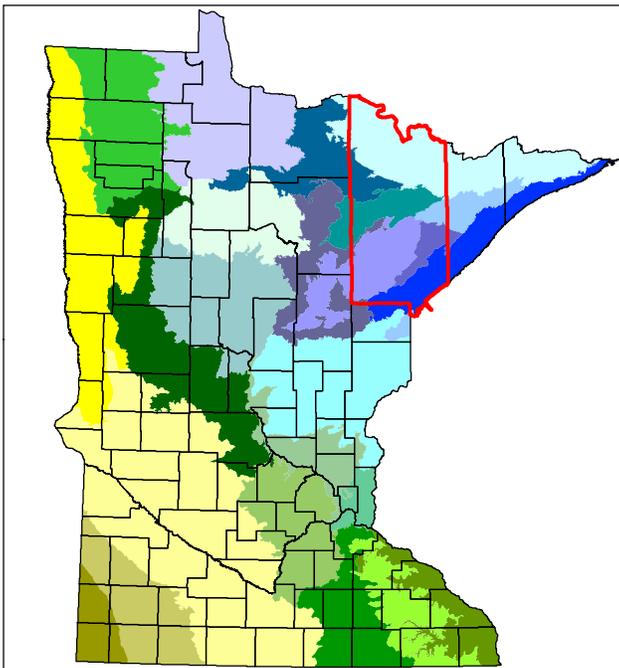
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 Conservation Easement



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| A - Red River Prairie | J - Tamarack Lowlands | S - St. Paul-Baldwin Plains and Moraines |
| B - Aspen Parklands | K - Laurentian Uplands | T - Inner Coteau |
| C - Agassiz Lowlands | L - North Shore Highlands | U - Coteau Moraines |
| D - Littlefork-Vermilion Uplands | M - Hardwood Hills | V - Oak Savanna |
| E - Border Lakes | N - Mille Lacs Uplands | W - Rochester Plateau |
| F - Chippewa Plains | O - Glacial Lake Superior Plain | X - The Blufflands |
| G - St. Louis Moraines | P - Anoka Sand Plain | Y - Toimi Uplands |
| H - Nashwauck Uplands | Q - Minnesota River Prairie | Z - St. Croix Moraine |
| I - Pine Moraines & Outwash Plains | R - Big Woods | |

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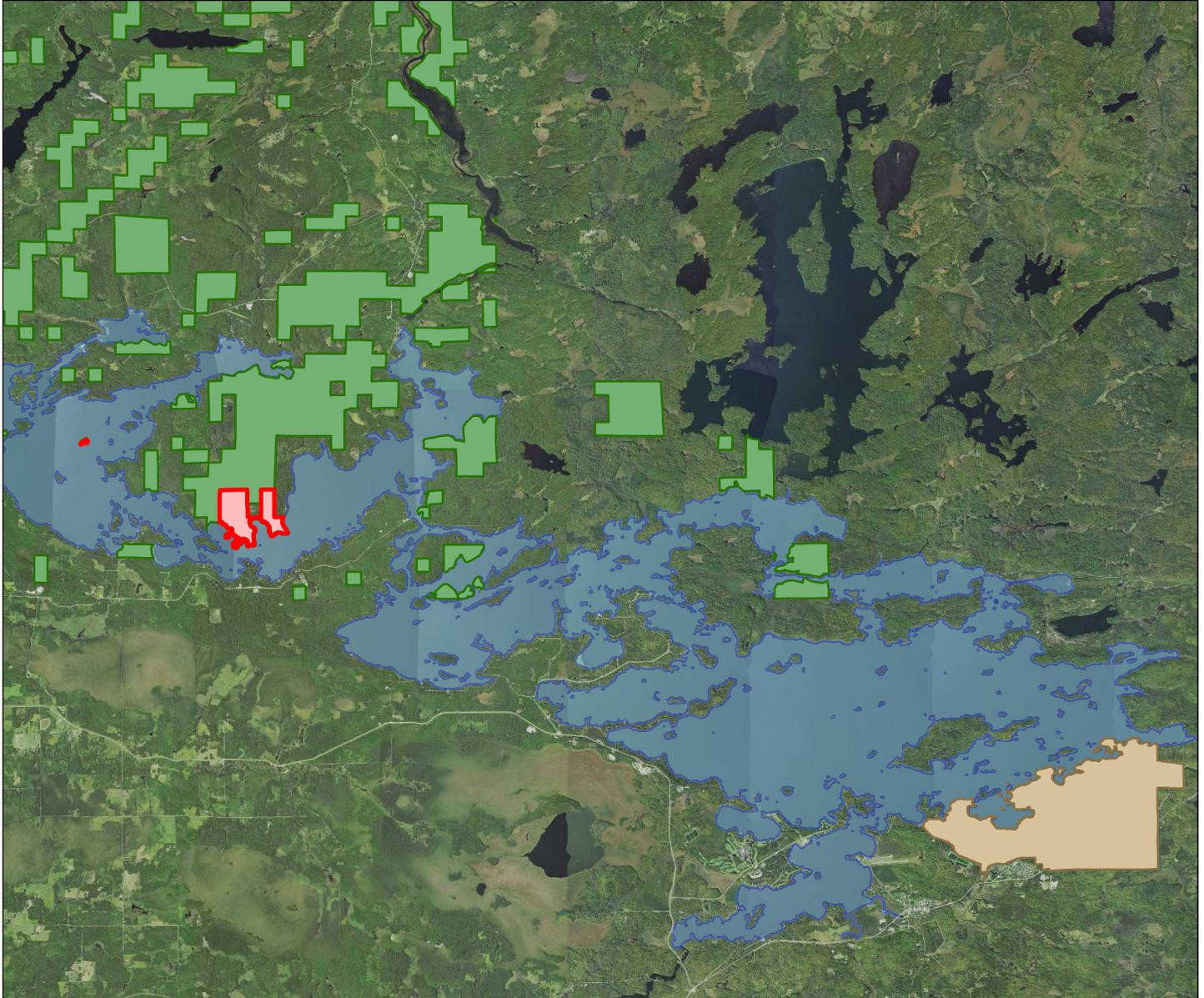
Proposed State Park Addition: Granelda Conservation Easement

Proximity to Kabetogama State Forest
& Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine

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-  Granelda Conservation Easement
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-  Lake Vermilion

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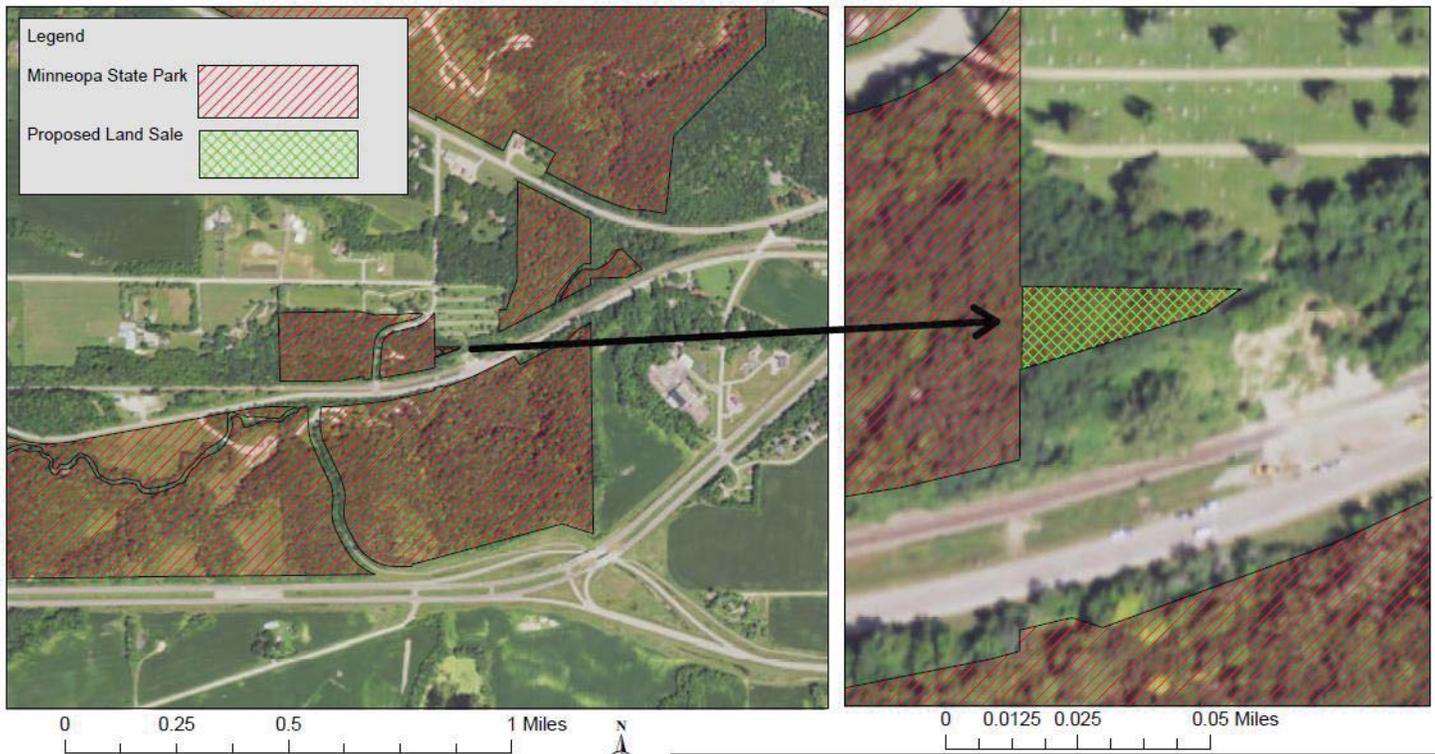
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MINNEOPA STATE PARK BOUNDARY DELETION

This proposal would delete 0.26 acres of land from the boundary of Minneopa State Park. The property sits immediately adjacent to Union Pacific Railroad property. The DNR plans to sell 0.26 acres to Union Pacific Railroad to resolve a permanent trespass issue which occurred when the Railroad installed 18 foot nails in the ground to stabilize the slope after a landslide. The DNR plans to sell this property to the Railroad to resolve the trespass and avoid future landslide issues. This property is not used by the state for public recreation. The property is wooded in nature with no improvements.



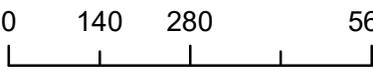
Proposed Land Sale in Sherburne County

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February 2, 2021

**Letter of Support for “Granelda Unit” Addition to Lake Vermilion-Soudan
Underground Mine State Park**

On behalf of our entire family, it is with great enthusiasm and appreciation that we submit this letter in support of the inclusion of the 485.51-acre “Granelda” property on Lake Vermilion as a “secondary unit” addition to the Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park, as proposed in the 2021 DNR Lands Bill.

The original property was purchased by Grace Bliss and George Nelson Dayton (hence “Granelda”) in 1935, and contiguous parcels of undeveloped and/or restored shoreline were added by their five sons over the course of 20 years (1967—1987). In February of 1993, then DNR Commissioner Rodney Sando accepted a conveyance of the Dayton-Granelda property to the State of Minnesota. The conveyance contained a conservation easement managed by the DNR and a reservation to the Dayton family and their heirs (the Grantor) of all fee title rights to the property until December 31, 2035. Thereafter, it was the desire of the five Dayton brothers that the property be preserved and maintained in its natural state for the enjoyment of the citizenry of Minnesota and beyond.

DNR Commissioner Sarah Strommen and Director of Parks & Trails Erika Rivers have been very supportive in identifying this potential “permanent home” within the DNR to best honor the intentions and realize the spirit of the 1992 conservation easement—the family’s hopes and aspirations for the property in perpetuity—and support the DNR’s mission and vision for public engagement.

Having been cherished by six generations over nearly 100 years, the family looks forward to this opportunity to return the experience of and access to this special property and incredible natural resource on Lake Vermilion to the people of Minnesota in accordance with the vision and implementation of the State Parks & Trails division of the Minnesota DNR.

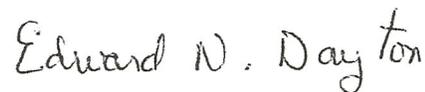
The designation of the Granelda property as a “secondary unit” of Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park has the unanimous endorsement and support of both the managing partnership and the broader Dayton family.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions, clarifications, or further discussion, and thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



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**CITY OF BIG LAKE
MINNESOTA**

A general meeting of the City Council of the City of Big Lake, Minnesota was called to order by Mayor Paul Knier at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Big Lake, Minnesota, on Wednesday, February 10, 2020. The following Council Members were present: Paul Knier, Paul Seefeld, Sam Hanson and Ken Halverson. A motion to adopt the following resolution was made by Council Member Seefeld and seconded by Council Member Hanson.

**CITY OF BIG LAKE
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-12**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA FOR THE SALE OF
PID 65-14-1120 TO THE CITY OF BIG LAKE**

WHEREAS, the property is owned by the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the property is located within the City of Big Lake and described as:

*THAT PART OF GOVT LOT 3, SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 28
WEST DESC AS FOLL: THE EAST 400 FT OF GOVT LOT 3; and*

WHEREAS, the property is approximately 0.71 acres and located between Lake Mitchell and Big Lake; and

WHEREAS, the property has an existing channel between Big Lake and Lake Mitchell and is in need of repair and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the land is slowly eroding away and requires stabilization; and

WHEREAS, the City of Big Lake is in the best position to acquire funding to repair, stabilize and protect the property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Big Lake has been in communication with Department of Natural Resources regarding the property and needed maintenance.

