

Le Sueur County, MN

Tuesday, February 20, 2018
Board Meeting

Item 6

10:05 a.m. Joe Stangel, Assistant Regional Wildlife Manager, MN DNR (15 min)

RE: Acquisition Notification

Staff Contact:



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LeSueur County Commissioners (via email) 88 South Park Avenue Le Center, MN 56057

Dear Commissioners:

Pheasants Forever received an appropriation from the Legislature as recommended by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council to purchase an 83.85-acre tract of land in LeSueur County as State Wildlife Management Area (WMA) described in the attached Exhibit A and attached map. The land will be donated to the state and become the Dora Lake Wildlife Management Area.

The family that owned this property was very interested in seeing their land conserved as wildlife habitat and available for public use.

Donations of WMA land by conservation groups like Pheasants Forever, utilizing Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage (Legacy) Council funding, requires county board notification. At your request, Pheasants Forever and DNR can meet with you to further discuss this acquisition. As always, State of Minnesota PILT payments will be made to LeSueur County when this parcel becomes state WMA land. The 2015 property taxes were \$3,906.00; the annual PILT payment from the State to LeSueur County on this land would be \$2,578.50.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of this recent transaction.

Sincerely,

Eran Sandquist

State Coordinator - MN Pheasants Forever, Inc.

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Joe Stangel

Wildlife Manager - Southern Region

MN DNR

EXHIBIT A

Township 110 North, Range 23 West, 5th P.M. Section 11, East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E½NE¼)

Dora Lake WMA



