

Trust Fund Lands

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Topics

- Trust Fund Land Base
- Forest Management Activities
- Cost Certification
- Changes



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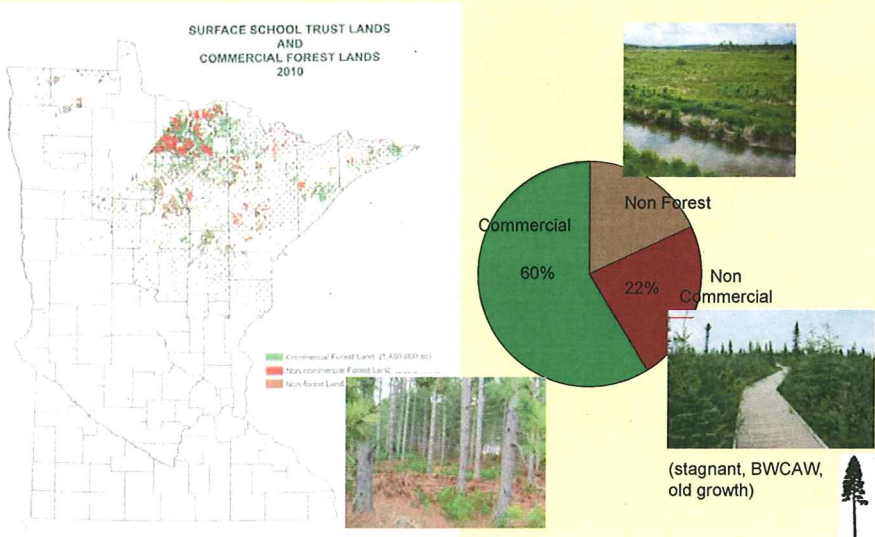


Trust Fund Land Base

- What is Trust Land?
 - Granted by congress at statehood
 - Sections 16 & 36 for the benefit of schools (2.9 million acres)
 - Swamp trust – for drainage projects, later combined with school trust (4.7 million acres)
 - Net Revenue to Permanent School Fund

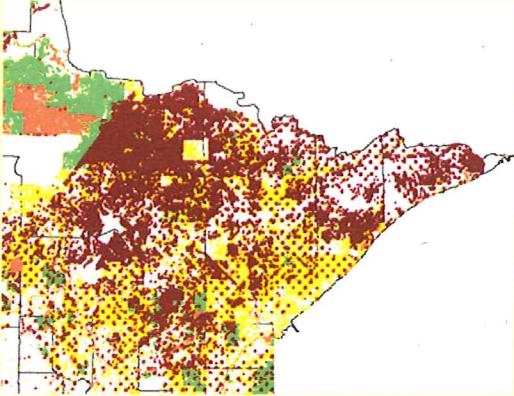


2.4 Million Acres Trust Land




Trust Land is Scattered


- Trust
- Other Forestry
- County
- Other State



- Intermingled with other Forestry land and other ownerships



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Forest Management Activities






<u>Protection</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Improvement</u>	<u>Forest Roads</u>	<u>Administration</u>
Wildfire suppression	Timber sales	Site Preparation	Road Construction & Maintenance	Clerical /Payroll
Fire presuppression	Leases & Permits	Reforestation	Signing	Facilities, Fleet & Equipment
Fire prevention	Forest Health Inventory	Timber Stand Improvement	Culverts, bridges & erosion control	
Fuels management	Planning (SFRMP)			

Protect the Investment

Sell the Products

Invest in the Future

Access to the Products

Support




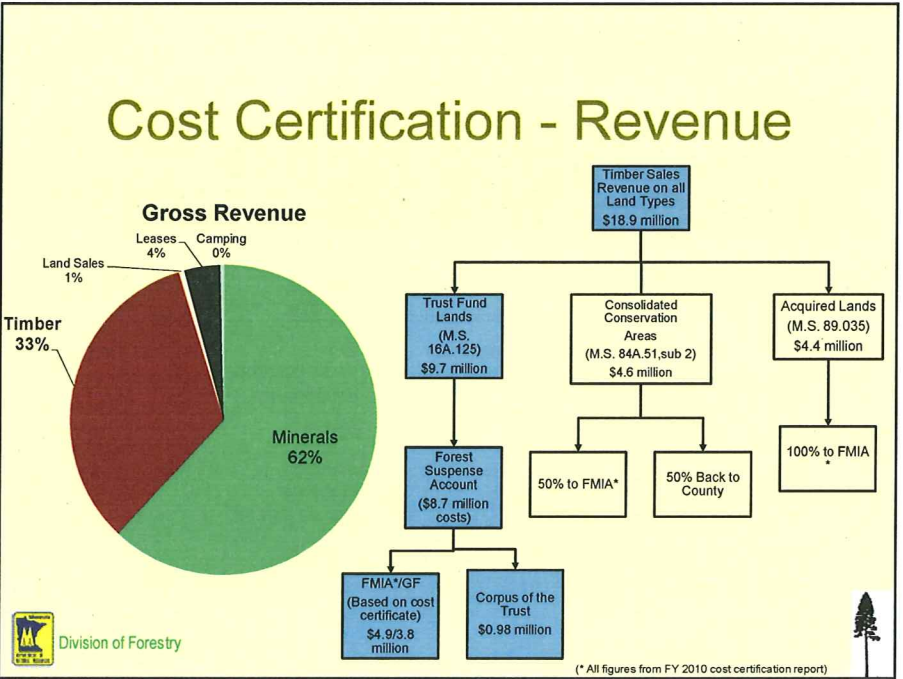
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Forest Cost Certification

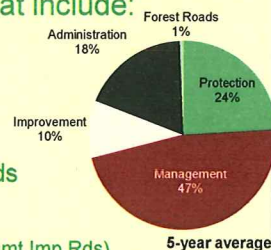
- Governed by Statute
 - 16A.125 (5) - (c) After a fiscal year, the commissioner of management and budget shall certify the total costs incurred for forestry during that year under appropriations for the **protection, improvement, administration, and management** of state forest trust fund lands and construction and improvement of **forest roads** to enhance the forest value of the lands. The certificate must specify the trust funds interested in the lands.



Management Cost Recovery Process

- Revenue from trust fund lands credited to the forest suspense account.
- Cost allocated to each land type based on acre percentage (44% of land managed is trust)
- Commissioner of MMB certifies costs that include:
 - Fire protection
 - Forest improvement
 - Administration
 - Management of trust fund lands
 - Construction and improvement of forest roads
- Certified costs transferred to:
 - Forest Management Investment Account (Mgmt, Imp, Rds)
 - General Fund (Protection, Admin)
- Balance of receipts to Permanent School Fund



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Cost Certification Project

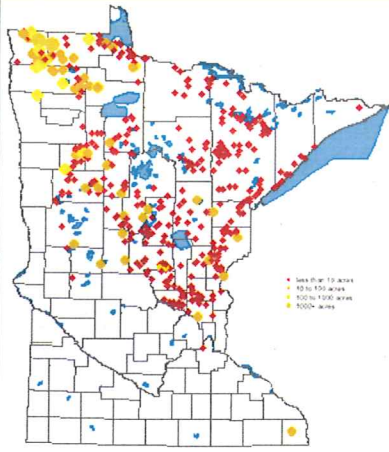
- Analyzed current certification process
- Identified alternatives
- Changes for FY 2011 certification
 - Stratify costs by area rather than statewide
 - Creates greater transparency by applying a finer filter for allocating costs
 - Easy to implement, more efficient than other options
 - > Increases revenue transferred to the Trust



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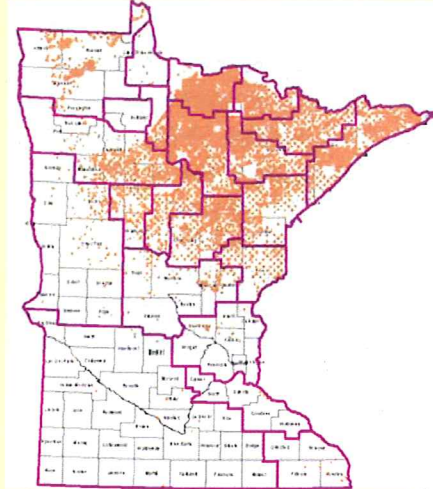
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2011 Fire locations



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Trust land locations

