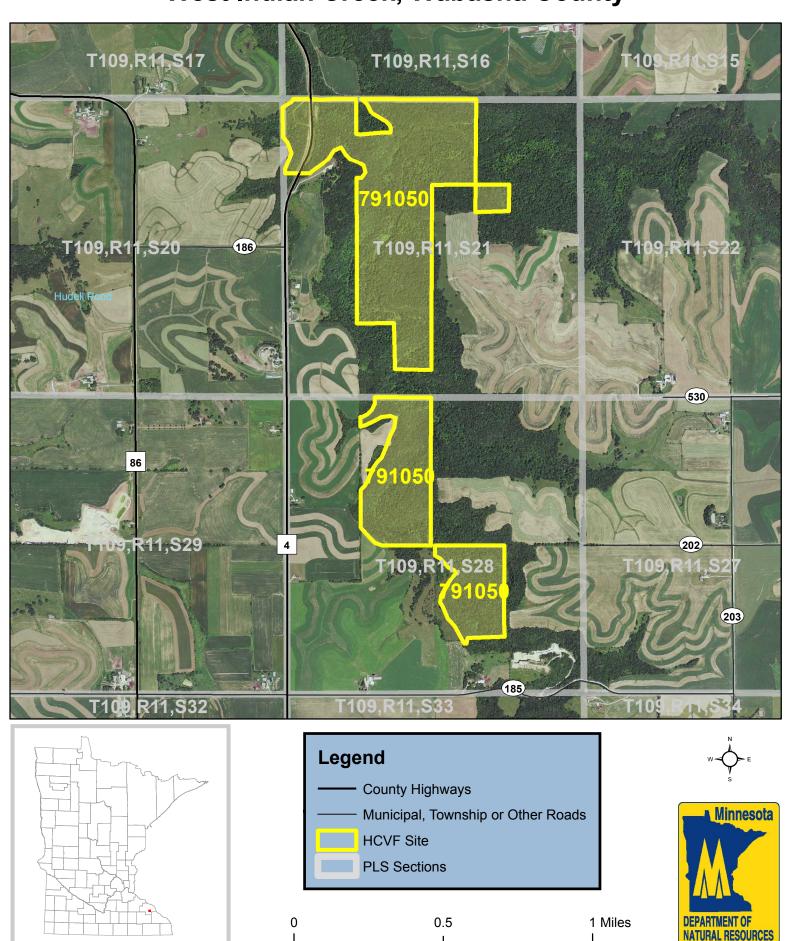
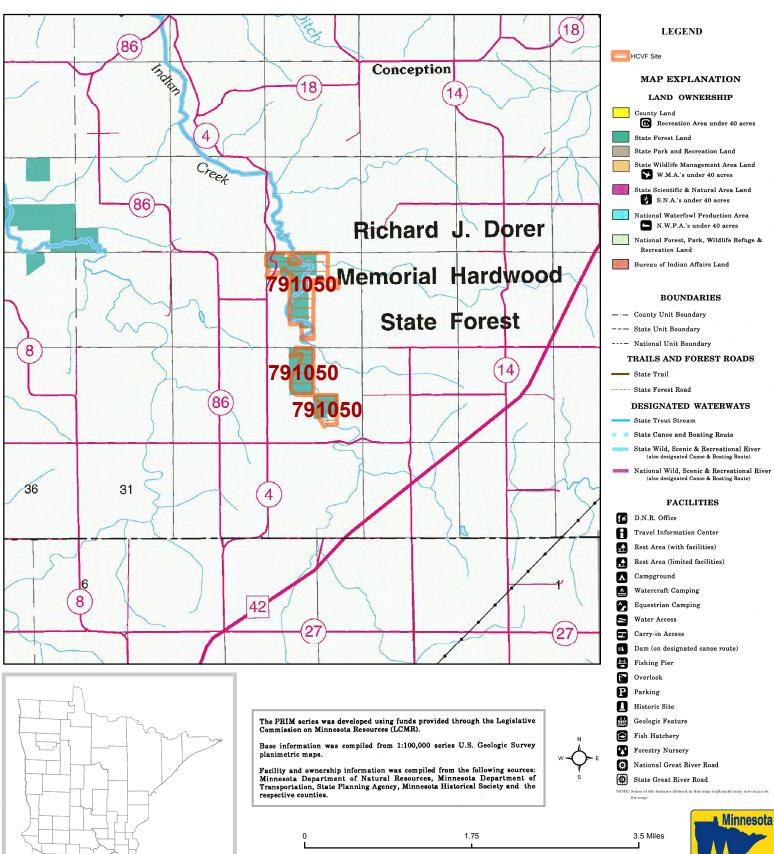
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Land ownership categories on this map are in some cases outdated. HCVF sites are on DNR-managed land only; DNR HCVF sites have not been identified on other ownerships.



HCVF Informational Report

Report Run: September 3, 2013

General Information

HCVF #: 791050

HCVF Name: West Indian Creek **Acres of HCVF site:** 293.07

County: Wabasha

Data edited by: Region 3 HCVF Team

Role: Region 3 HCVF Team **Date edited on:** 2013-07-24

Corresponding Land Administrator(s): FOR

Management Unit Name(s) (if applicable): Upper West Indian Creek Valley

HCVF Summary

Extensive slopes and bottomland along three miles of West Indian Creek. Slopes with high-quality maple-basswood & oak forests, valley floor with high-quality lowland hardwoods & rare seepage native plant communities. Moist & dry cliffs. Kruger cave bat hibernacula. The most diverse & intact stretch of valley in the county. An abundance of rare species. Acadian flycatcher & Louisiana waterthrush.

HCVs known to be present that factored into HCVF designation.

FSC expects DNR to maintain HCVs within designated HCVFs. Because HCVF boundaries are not the same as the larger, multi-ownership MBS Sites, this list will differ from the values identified during the MBS Survey.

HCV1b (S1 or S2 species): Six vascular plant species. HCV1e (Rare species concentration): 20 SGCN species, Rare plants, Acadian flycatcher, Louisiana waterthrush. HCV2-EBFb (old forest): yes. HCV3b (S1 or S2 plant community): CTs46a2, MHs39a. HCV3c (Special S3 plant community): MHs38a, MHs39b, MHs49. HCV3e (Old-growth forest): - stand 12 LH63 (33 acres), stand 11 O55 (56 acres), stand 7 CH62 (31 acres).

Management Considerations

Overall management objectives for the entire HCVF:

Old growth to be managed with no harvest. Other areas should have minimal canopy openings for forest interior bird habitat and rare plant species habitat. Invasive species control throughout where necessary.

Management direction from the following sources was considered in developing the above recommendations:

High Biodiversity Site Plan

Are the HCVs within this HCVF likely to benefit from coordination with adjacent landowner(s)? _Yes_

This HCVF was flagged by the Regional HCVF Team as warranting cross-ownership coordination efforts. The specific HCVs likely to benefit from such coordination with adjacent landowners are identified below.

Private landowners

General Comments

This is a "High Biodiversity Site" identified by the Blufflands SFRMP

Reference to rare plants and animals, Minnesota Biological Survey Sites of Biological Significance and mapped native plant communities are records maintained in the Minnesota DNR's Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS). A date of information is associated with each record. The NHIS is continually updated as new information becomes available. The lack of data listed for any geographic area should not be construed to mean that no significant features are present.

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