Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

DECISION RECORD OFFICIAL NOTICE AND ORDER

Classification of the Fond du Lac State Forest within Carlton County with respect to motor vehicle use pursuant to *Minnesota Laws 2003*, Chapter 128, Article 1, Section 167, Subdivision 1 (as amended) and *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 6100.1950.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE FOND DU LAC STATE FOREST IN CARLTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

NOTICE PUBLISHED: January 3, 2006 EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2007

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources orders the classification of the Fond du Lac State Forest, located in Carlton County, as *'Limited'* with respect to the operation of motor vehicles.

WHEREAS:

- 1. *Minnesota Laws 2003*, Chapt. 128, Art. 1, Sect. 167, as amended by *M.L. 2005*, *First Special Session*, Chapt. 1, Art. 2, Sect. 152 directs the Commissioner of Natural Resources to complete a review of the classification status of all state forests and forest lands under the authority of the commissioner, to reclassify said forests as regards motor vehicle operation, and to designate motor routes on state-administered forest lands.
- 2. The agency held a public meeting and solicited and received written comments and submissions on the proposed forest classification. Comments were incorporated into the final plan for forest classification.
- 3. All notice and procedural requirements in Minnesota Statutes, and other applicable rules and law have been complied with.
- 4. The state forest classification is both needed and reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Fond du Lac State Forest is classified as '*Limited*', pursuant to authority vested in me by Minnesota law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the classification of the Fond du Lac State Forest shall become effective on January 1, 2007.

A copy of this order shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

12/19/05

Gene Merriam, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

Signed copy on file w/MN Secretary of State – Refer to No. 0601342

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