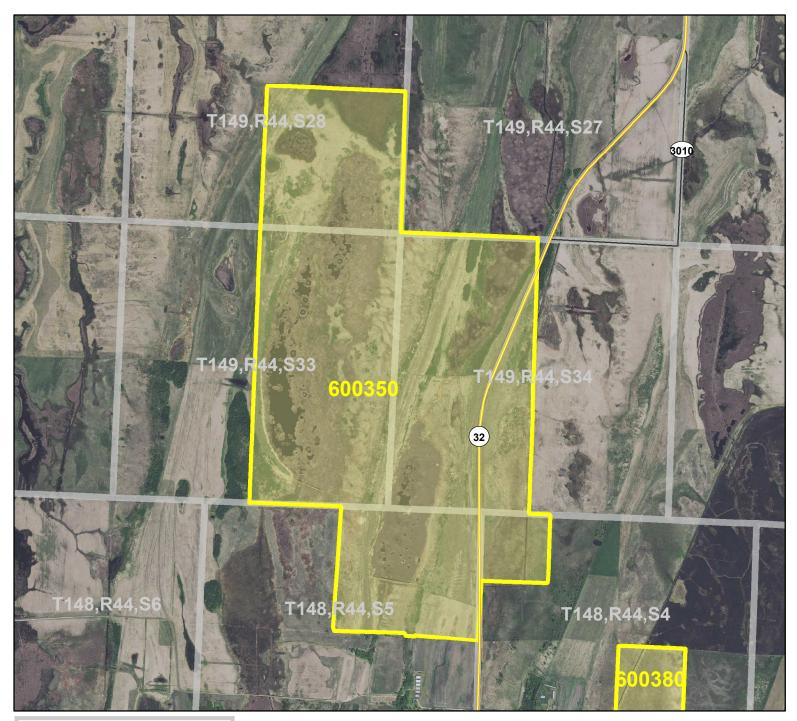
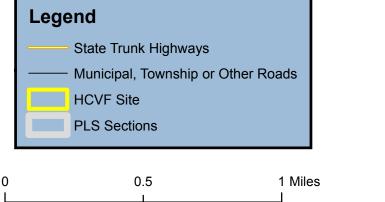
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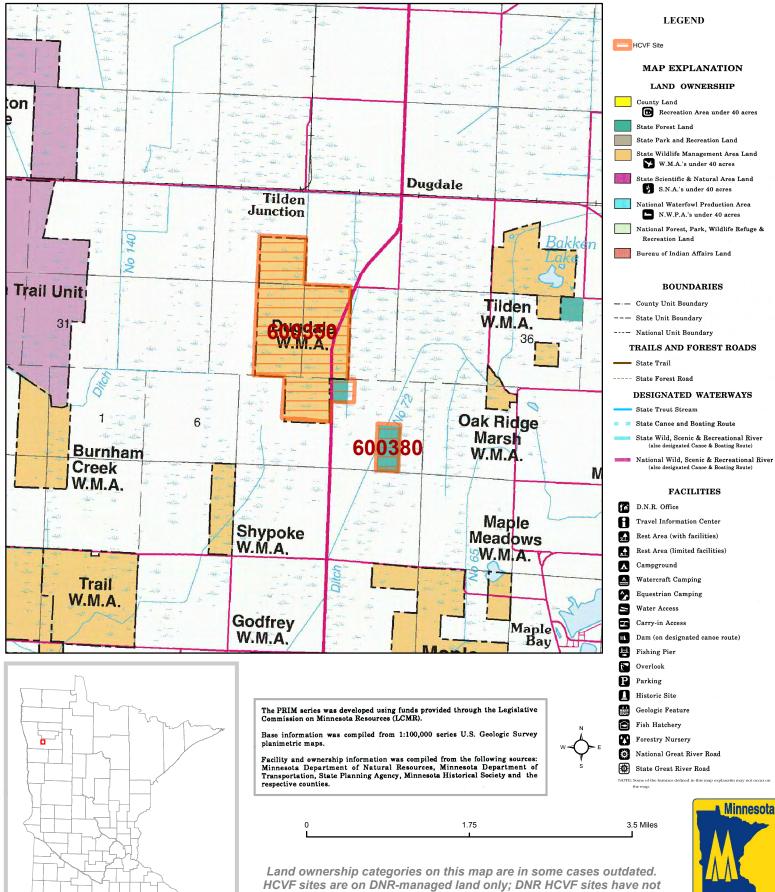








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been identified on other ownerships.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

HCVF Informational Report

Report Run: September 3, 2013

General Information

HCVF #: 600350 HCVF Name: Dugdale WMA Acres of HCVF site: 998.35 County: Polk

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Corresponding Land Administrator(s): Wildlife **Management Unit Name(s) (if applicable):** Dugdale WMA

HCVF Summary

Very high quality prairie; good examples of saline prairie, outstanding habitat for bird SGCNs, and part of Glacial Ridge NWR. Beautiful mosaic of wet, saline & mesic prairie, with extensive marshes on gradual west-facing slopes W of beach ridge. In excellent condition with several rare species. Platanthera praeclara found variable years. Concerns about water level.

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.

TALLGRASS ASPEN PARKLANDS PROVINCE HCVs: 1b (S1 or S2 species): 1 plant; 1c (Federal T or E species): 1 plant; 1e (Rare species concentration): 14 birds and 7 plants; 1g (Examples of outstanding key habitats): Prairie; 3a (G1 or G2 plant community): UPn23b (96 acres); 3b (S1 or S2 plant community): MRp83a (9 acres), WMs92a (8 acres), UPn23b (96 acres), WPn53d (80 acres).

Management Considerations

Overall management objectives for the entire HCVF:

Region HCVF Recommendations - Maintain and protect localized habitats for rare species. - Enhance the rare plant communities that have been degraded, especially the MRp83a and UPn23b. - Maintain/enhance the landscape complex of openland habitats and their associated native plant communities. - Discriminate against aspen. - Dormant season fire can be a viable method to promote the above objectives. - Evaluate the current hydrologic regime and avoid any operations that may compromise the natural hydrology of this system.

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

2012 Hardwood Hills SFRMP. MFRC riparian scientific report.

Are the HCVs within this HCVF likely to benefit from coordination with adjacent landowner(s)? $_{\rm Yes}_$

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.

HCV 1b, 1c, 1e, 1g, 3a, 3b. The rare plant, several rare NPCs, and multiple SGCNs extend onto adjacent Glacial Ridge NWR, private, and The Nature Conservancy lands.

General Comments

The lands to the NE, E and W are Glacial Ridge; good ability to maintain and enhance. MBS "Site includes private land (Tilden Farms)"

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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