

# Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE GRAND PORTAGE AND PAT BAYLE STATE FORESTS AND OTHER STATE FOREST LANDS UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER IN COOK COUNTY, MINNESOTA WITH RESPECT TO MOTOR VEHICLE USE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Commissioner of Natural Resources orders the classification of state forest lands pursuant to *Minnesota Laws 2003, Chapt. 128, Art. 1, Sect. 167 (as amended in 2005 & 2007)* and *Minnesota Rules Chapter 6100.1950*.

The commissioner orders the classification of state lands located within the Grand Portage State Forest as *'managed'*; classification of state lands located within the Pat Bayle State Forest as *'limited'*; classification of state lands within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) as *'closed'*; and classification of state forest lands located outside of both the BWCAW and state forest boundaries as *'limited'* with respect to motor vehicle use, as shown in *Exhibit A*, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

The Commissioner further orders that the portion of the Grand Portage State Forest known as the *Jackson Lake Site*, as shown in *Exhibit B*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, be classified as *'limited'* with respect to motor vehicle use.

### **WHEREAS:**

1. *Minnesota Laws 2003, Chapt. 128, Art. 1, Sect. 167 (as amended in 2005 & 2007)* and *Minnesota Rules Part 6100.1950* require the Commissioner of Natural Resources to classify all state forest lands with respect to motor vehicle use.
2. The agency published its' proposed motor vehicle use classification and forest road and trail designations in a draft plan in March 2007. Public meetings were subsequently held and received written comments and submissions were received regarding the public's use of forest lands, roads and trails in Cook County.
3. All public notice and procedural requirements in *Minnesota Statutes*, and other applicable rules and legal obligations have been fulfilled.
4. The state forest classification is both needed and reasonable.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED** that state forest lands located within the Grand Portage State Forest be classified as *'Managed'*; state forest lands within the Pat Bayle State Forest be classified as *'Limited'*; classification of state lands within the Boundary

Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) as '*closed*'; and classification of state forest lands located outside of both the BWCAW and state forest boundaries as '*limited*' with respect to motor vehicle use pursuant to authority vested in me by Minnesota Law. State forest land classification for Cook County, Minnesota is depicted in *Exhibit A*, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that state forest lands within the area described below be classified as '*limited*' with respect to motor vehicle use pursuant to authority vested in me by Minnesota Law. This area is depicted in *Exhibit B*, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

- *Jackson Lake Site* - Lands south of the Andy Lake Forest Road and west of the Jackson Lake Forest Road in Sections 10, 11, 14 & 15; the NE1/4 of the NW1/4 and the N1/2 of the NE1/4 of Section 22; the N1/2 of the NW1/4 and the N1/2 of the NE1/4 of Section 23 lying west of the Jackson Lake Road; all located in T63N R4E and consisting of about 1,528 acres.

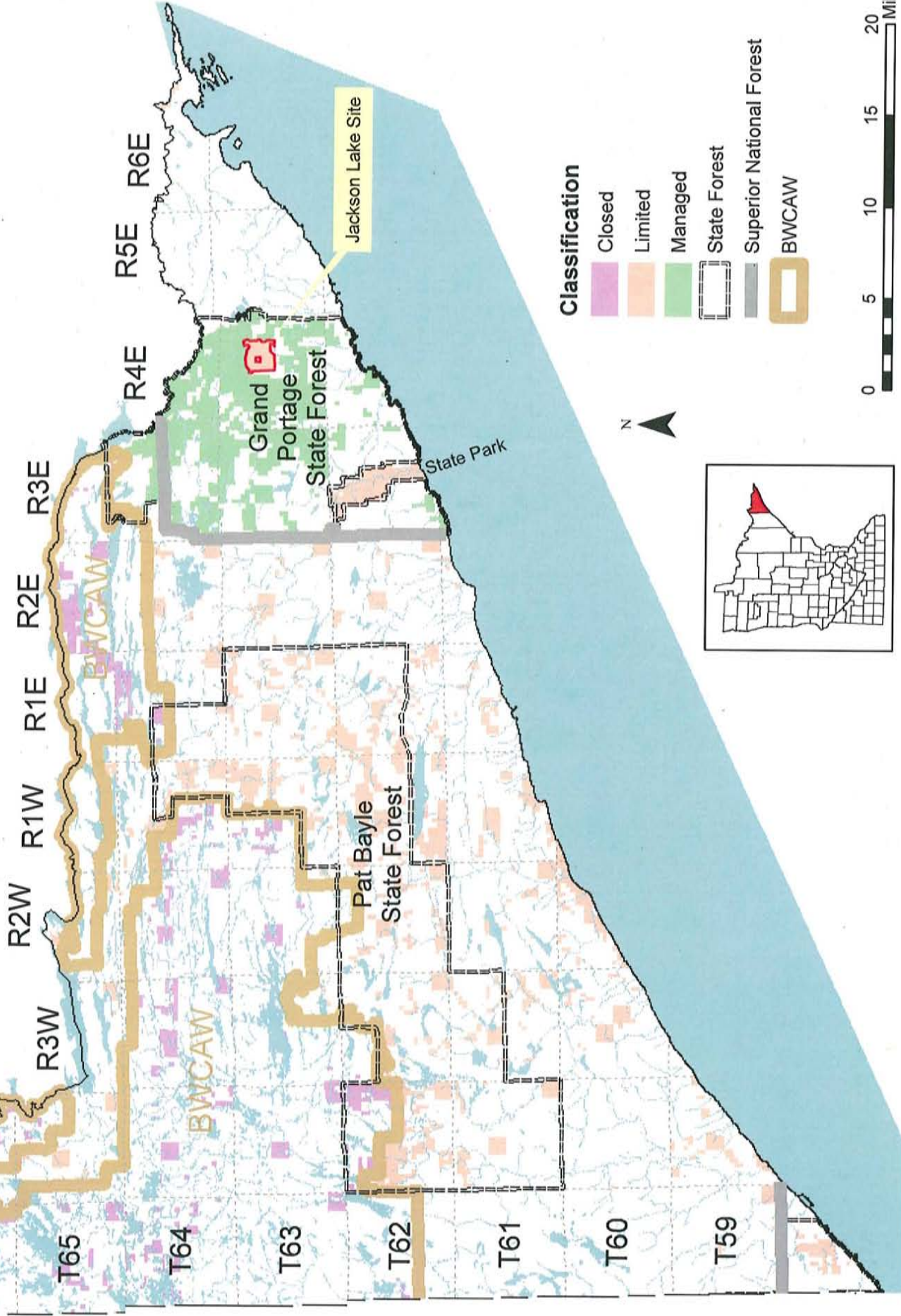
**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the above motor vehicle use classifications shall become effective September 1, 2008.

*Dated 10/30/07*

*Mark Holsten, Commissioner  
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources*

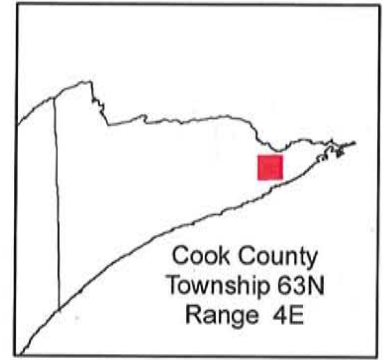
# Exhibit A

## State Forest Land Classification



# Exhibit B

## Jackson Lake Site



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