#### **Minnesota Department of Natural Resources**



# DECISION RECORD OFFICIAL NOTICE AND ORDER

Designation of forest trails in the Paul Bunyan State Forest with respect to off-highway vehicle use pursuant to *Minnesota Laws 2003*, Chapter 128, Article 1, Section 167, Subdivision 1 (as amended) and *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 89.19, Subdivision 2.

### DESIGNATION OF FOREST TRAILS IN THE PAUL BUNYAN STATE FOREST IN HUBBARD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

NOTICE PUBLISHED: April 10, 2006 EFFECTIVE DATE: December 31, 2006

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources orders the designation of forest trails as identified in *Exhibits A, B and C*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, in the Paul Bunyan State Forest with respect to the operation of all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles and off-road vehicles, for the period of May 1 to October 31 each year.

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. *Minnesota Laws 2003*, Chapter 128, Article 1, Section 167 as amended by *Minnesota Laws 2005*, *Ist Special Session*, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 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 classified as 'managed' or 'limited' and to designate trails within those state forests and forest lands.
- 2. The agency held a public meeting and solicited and received written comments and submissions on the proposed forest trail designations. Comments were incorporated into the final plan for forest trail designations.
- 3. All notice and procedural requirements in Minnesota Statutes, and other applicable rules and law have been complied with.
- 4. The forest trail designations are both needed and reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the all-terrain vehicle trails identified in *Exhibit A*, off-highway motorcycle trails identified in *Exhibit B*, and the off-road vehicle trails identified in *Exhibit C*, within the Paul Bunyan State Forest, are hereby designated pursuant to authority vested in me by Minnesota law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the designation of these all-terrain vehicle trails, off-highway motorcycle trails and off-road vehicle trails is limited to the period of May 1 to October 31 each year.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the designation of those trails identified in *Exhibits A*, *B and C* attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall become effective on December 31, 2006.

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

Date 03/17/06 Gene Merriam, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

Signed copy on file w/MN Secretary of State – Refer to No. 0601946

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## Exhibit A: All Terrain Vehicle Trail Designation Paul Bunyan State Forest Hubbard County, Minnesota

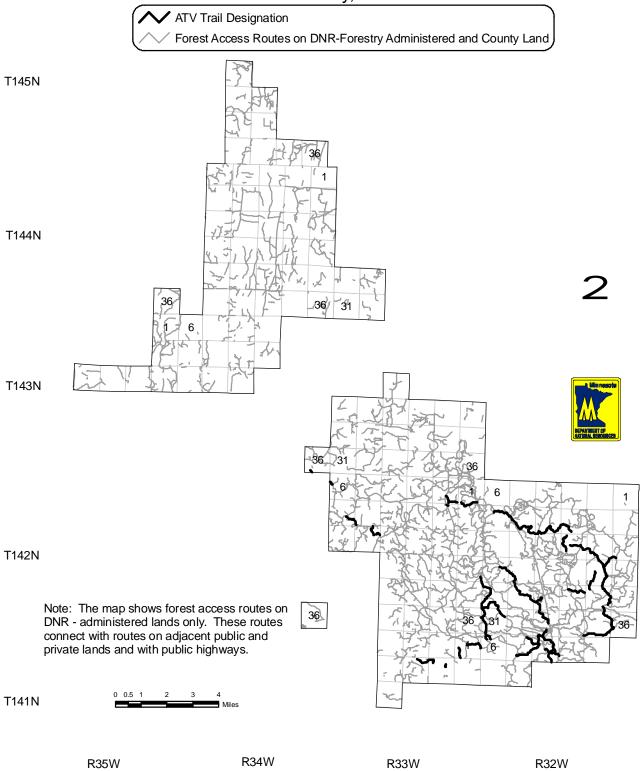
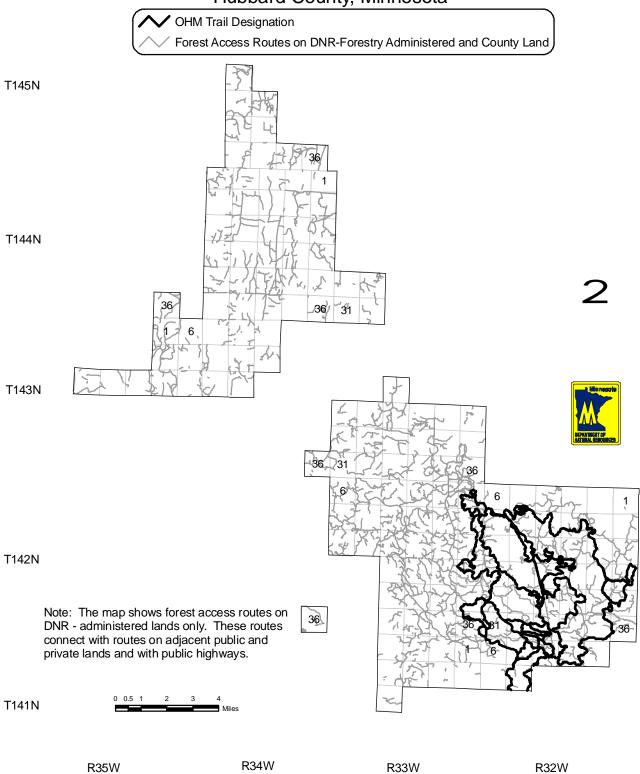


Exhibit B: Off Highway Motorcycle Trail Designation Paul Bunyan State Forest Hubbard County, Minnesota



## Exhibit C: Off Road VehicleTrail Designation Paul Bunyan State Forest Hubbard County, Minnesota

