Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

DESIGNATION OF FOREST TRAILS IN THE STURGEON RIVER STATE FOREST AND ON OTHER STATE FOREST LANDS UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioner of Natural Resources orders the designation of forest trails pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes, Section 89.19, Subd. 2.* The trail designations are for specified recreational purposes.

WHEREAS:

- 1. *Minnesota Statutes, Section 89.19, Subd. 2* authorizes the designation, and changes in designation, of forest trails by written order, specifying public notice and public meeting requirements which must be fulfilled prior to making such designations.
- 2. Minnesota Laws 2003, Chap. 128, Art. 1, Sect. 167 (as amended in 2005 & 2007) and Minnesota Rules Part 6100.1950 require the Commissioner of Natural Resources to classify state forest lands with respect to motor vehicle use.
- 3. The agency published its proposed motor vehicle use classification and forest road and trail designations in a draft plan in April 2007. The agency held public meetings and solicited and received written comments and submissions regarding the public's use of forest lands, roads and trails in St. Louis County.
- 4. All public notice and procedural requirements in *Minnesota Statutes*, and other applicable rules and legal obligations have been fulfilled.
- 5. The forest trail designations are both needed and reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the forest trails described below are hereby designated pursuant to authority vested in me by Minnesota Law:

1. **Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Trails** – Approximately 12.7 miles of trail depicted on the map labeled *Exhibit A*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are designated as Off-Highway Vehicle Trails.

2. **Hunter Walking Trails** - Approximately 26.5 miles of trail depicted on the map labeled *Exhibit B*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are designated as Hunter Walking Trails.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the trail designations shown in Exhibit A and Exhibit B shall become effective on December 31, 2009.

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9-22-08

Date

Mark Holsten, Commissioner

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Exhibit A

Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Trail Designations

OHV Trails Designations Superior National Forest Townships





