

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

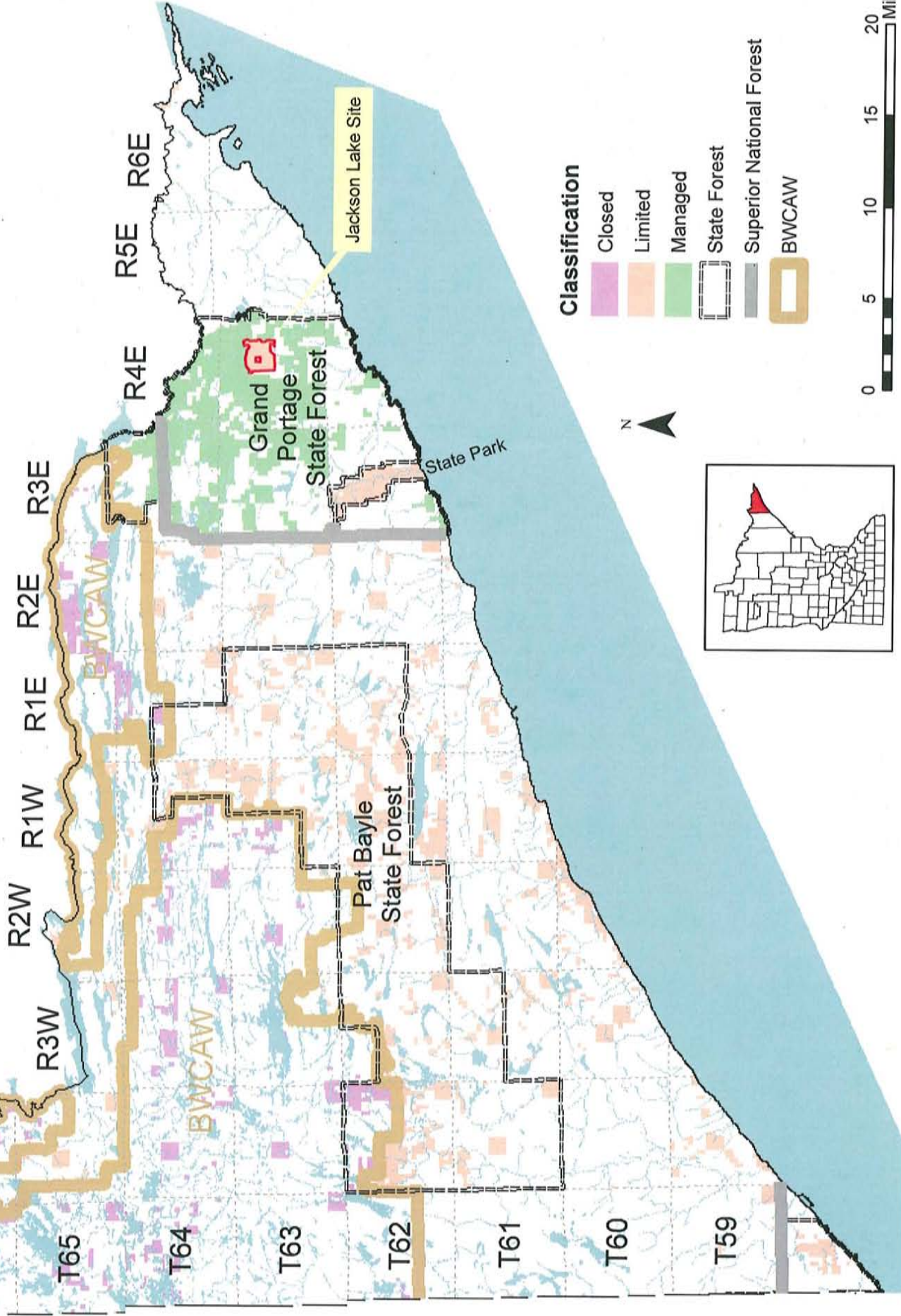
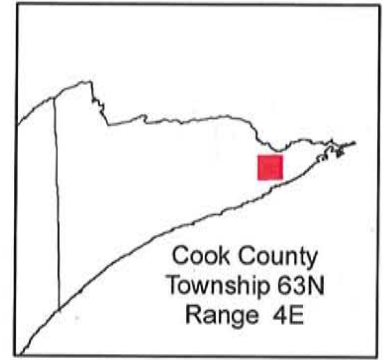
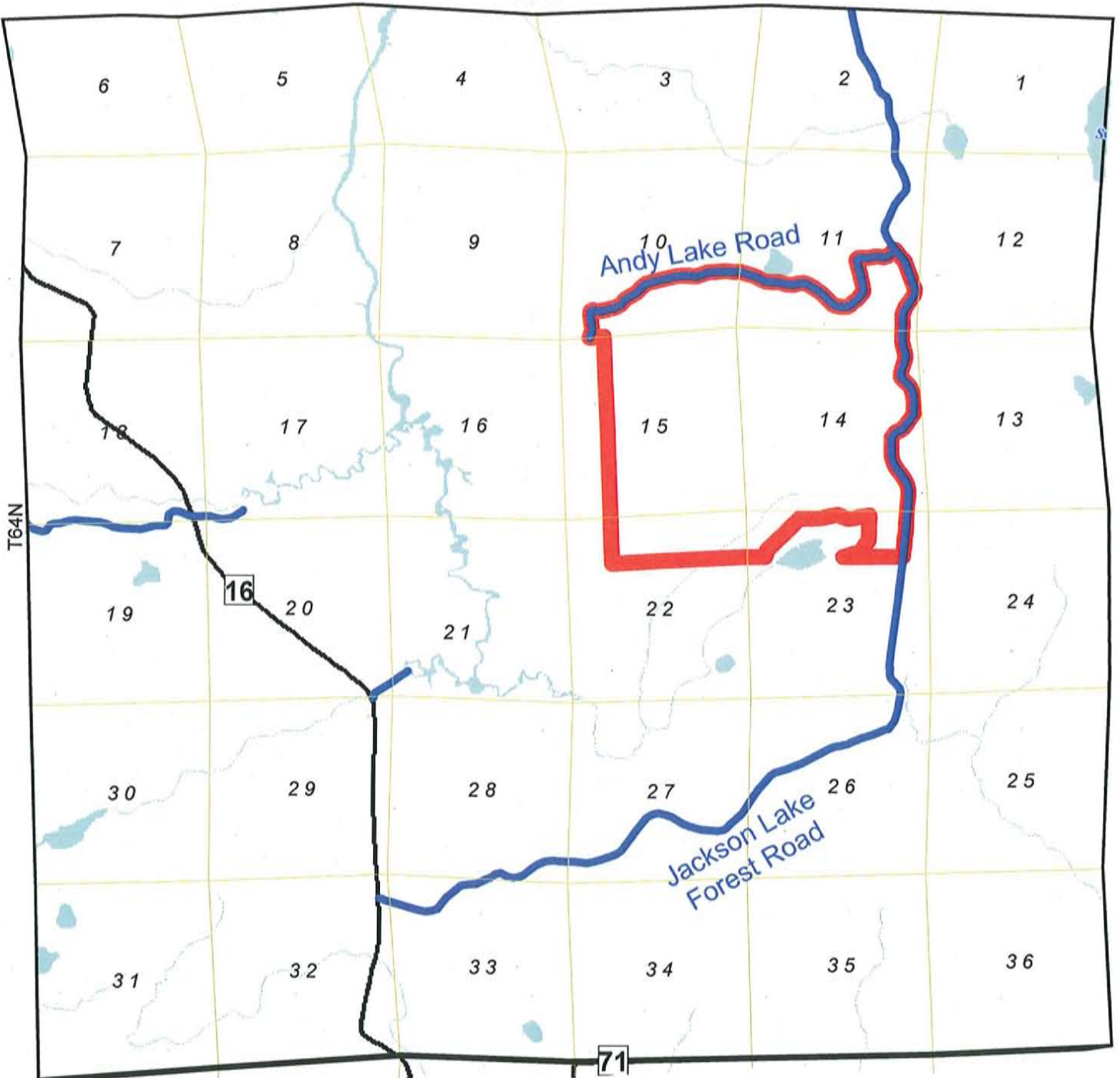


Exhibit B

Jackson Lake Site



R 4E



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DESIGNATION OF FOREST ROADS IN COOK COUNTY, MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioner of Natural Resources orders the designation of forest roads located within the Grand Portage and Pat Bayle State Forests, and on other lands under the authority of the commissioner in Cook County, Minnesota. These designations, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes, Section 89.71, Subd. 1*, are identified in *Exhibit A*, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

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. *Minnesota Statutes, Section 89.71, Subd. 1*, provides that the commissioner may designate or undesignate forest roads by written order published in the *State Register*.
3. 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 held and the agency received written comments and submissions regarding the public's use of forest lands, roads and trails in Cook County.
4. All public notice and procedural requirements in *Minnesota Statutes*, and other applicable rules and legal requirements have been fulfilled.
5. The forest road designations are both needed and reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the forest roads identified in *Exhibit A*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are hereby designated pursuant to authority vested in me by Minnesota law.

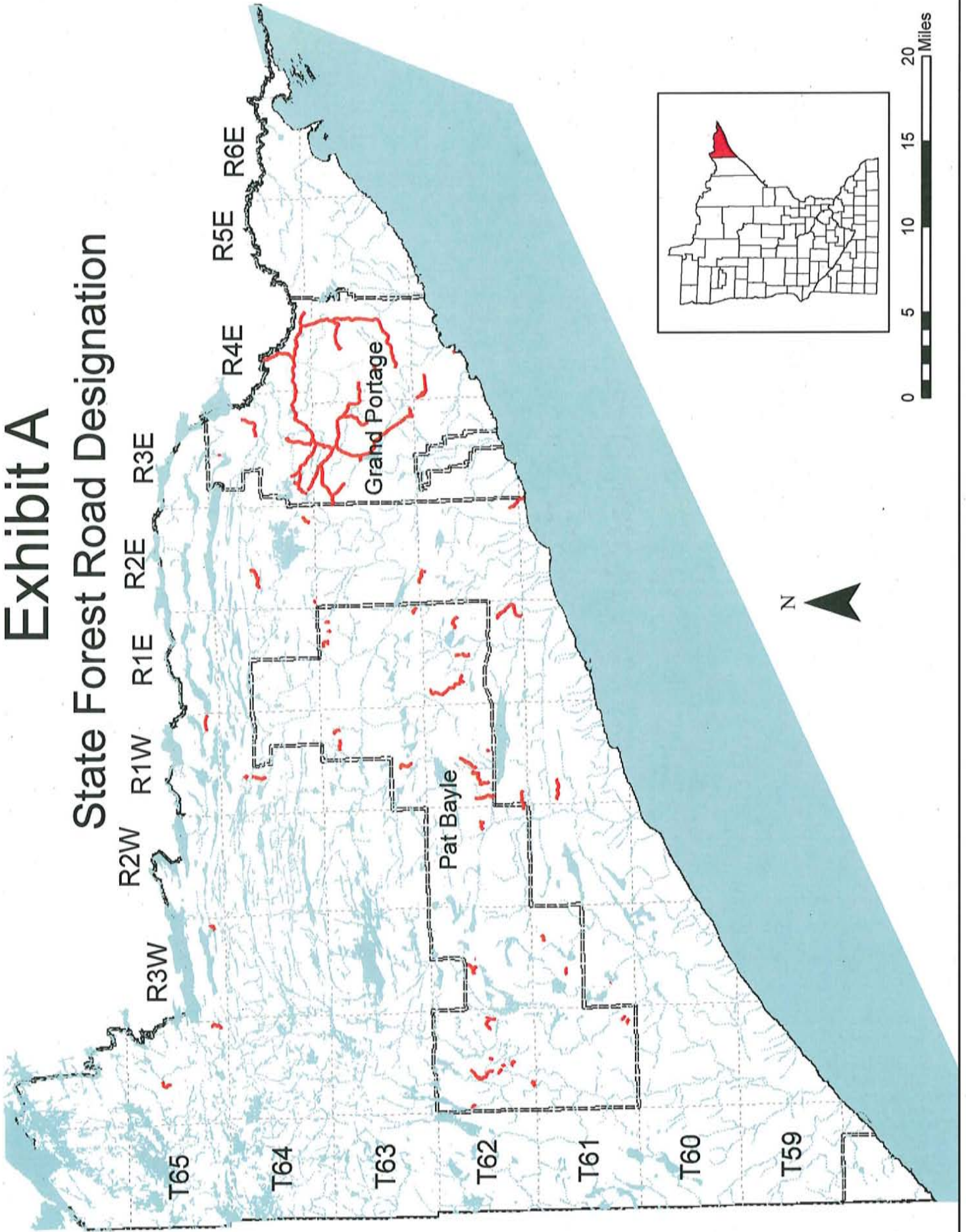
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the designation of the forest roads identified in *Exhibit A*, shall become effective on September 1, 2008.

Dated 10/30/07

*Mark Holsten, Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources*

Exhibit A

State Forest Road Designation



Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

DESIGNATION OF FOREST TRAILS IN THE GRAND PORTAGE AND PAT BAYLE STATE FORESTS AND ON OTHER LANDS UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER IN COOK 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 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 all 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 March 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 Cook 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. **All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) / Off-Highway Motorcycle (OHM) Trails** – The approximately 7.6 miles of trail depicted on the map labeled *Exhibit A*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are designated as ATV / OHM Trails.

2. **Hunter Walking Trails** - The approximately 4.5 miles of trail depicted on the map labeled *Exhibit B*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are designated as Hunter Walking Trails.
3. **Hiking Trails** - The approximately 34.1 miles of trail depicted on the map labeled *Exhibit C*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are designated as Hiking Trails.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that these trail designations shall become effective on September 1, 2008.

Dated 10/30/07

*Mark Holsten, Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources*

Exhibit A

All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Off-Highway Motorcycle (OHM) Trail Designations

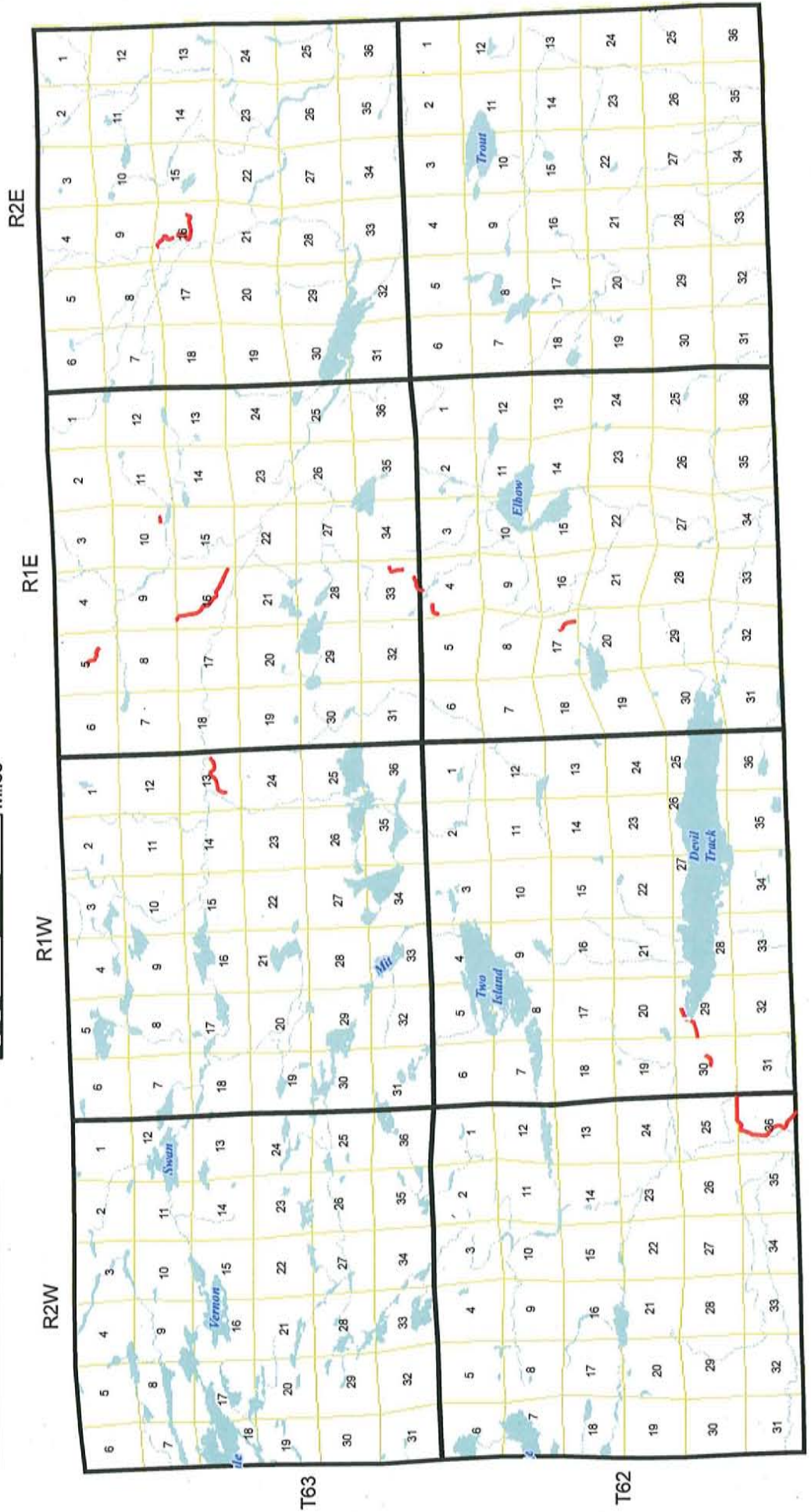


Exhibit B

Hunter Walking Trail Designations

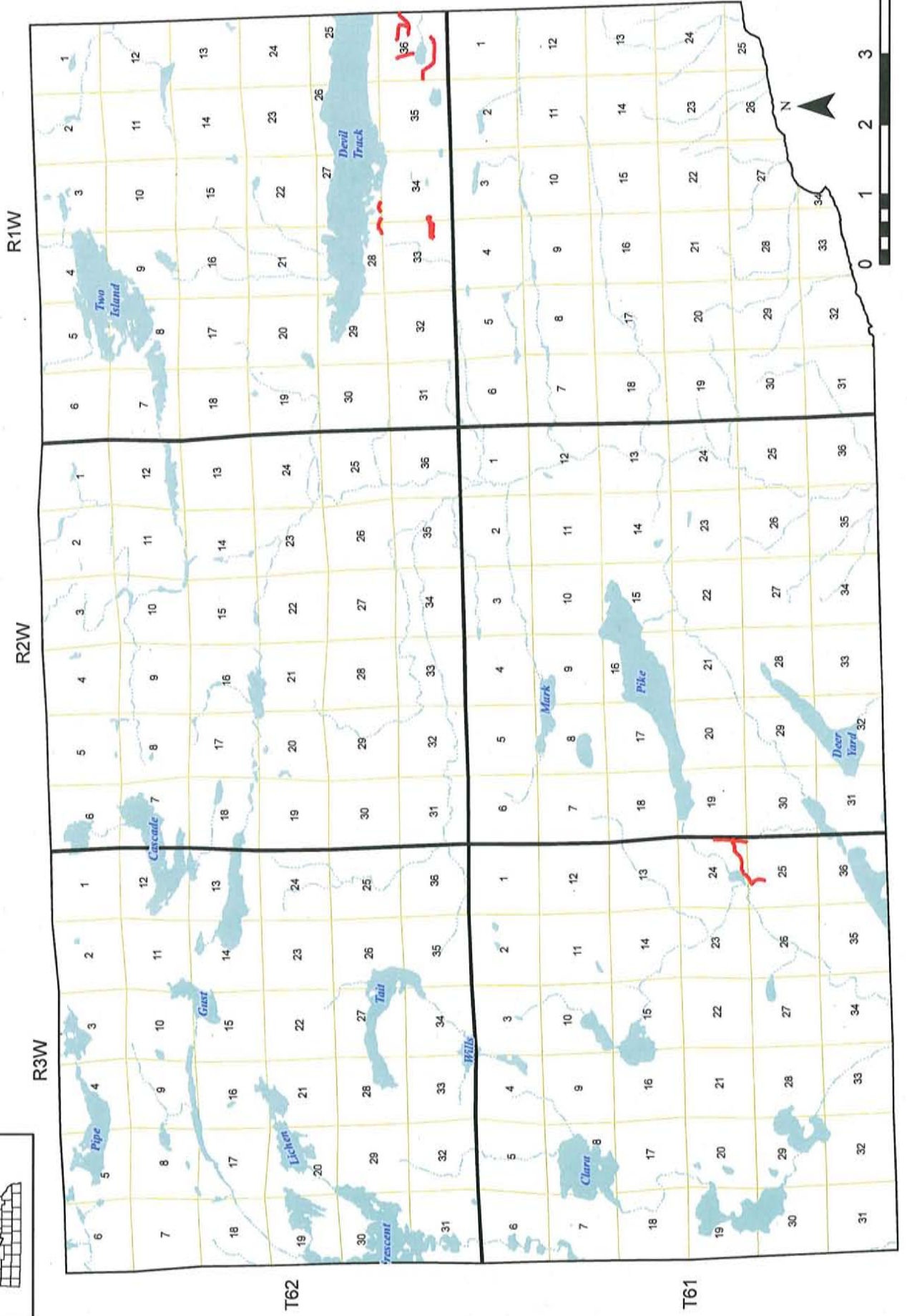


Exhibit C

Hiking Trail Designations

