



Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

Commissioner's Order

Undesignation of state forest roads in the White Earth State Forest

Effective Date: December 15, 2010

Statutory authority: *Minnesota Statutes*, section 89.71, subd. 1

Supplements: Designation of Forest Roads in Becker, Clearwater and Mahnomen Counties (effective December 31, 2009).

BACKGROUND

Minnesota Statutes, Section 89.002, subdivision 3, directs the Commissioner of Natural Resources to provide a system of state forest roads for access to state forest land and other forest land under the Commissioner's authority, which is adequate to permit the Commissioner to manage, protect, and develop those lands and their resources consistent with the forest resource management policy, and to meet demands for forest resources.

Minnesota Statutes, Section 89.71, subdivision 1, provides that the commissioner must designate and undesignate state forest roads by written order published in the State Register.

All notice and procedural requirements in *Minnesota Statutes*, and other applicable rules and law have been complied with.

The majority of the undesignations identified in *Exhibits A-1* through *A-3* are routes on county administered land which were erroneously included in the *Designation of Forest roads in Becker, Clearwater, and Mahnomen Counties* (effective date December 31, 2009). The errors resulted from data corruption from the numerous revisions that were made during the development of the plan. These undesignations of routes on county lands are represented by red lines on the maps. The remainder of the undesignations are on state land, represented by blue lines on the maps. The explanations for the undesignations on state lands in *Exhibit A-1* are as follows:

Section 8-142-37: these are portions of old skid trails from a logging operation which are not used by motorized vehicles.

Sections 11 & 12 -142-37: this route has been blocked and closed to motorized vehicles for over 20 years. The route was used for winter timber access on county land and crosses a wetland.

Section 19-142-37: the route is skid trail from an old timber harvest with no history of motorized use and no connection to any other motorized routes.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, including but not limited to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 89.71, subdivision 1, that the undesignation state forest roads identified in **Exhibits A-1** through **A-3** shall become effective on December 15, 2010.



Mark Holsten
Commissioner

Date signed: November 9, 2010

Exhibit A - 1

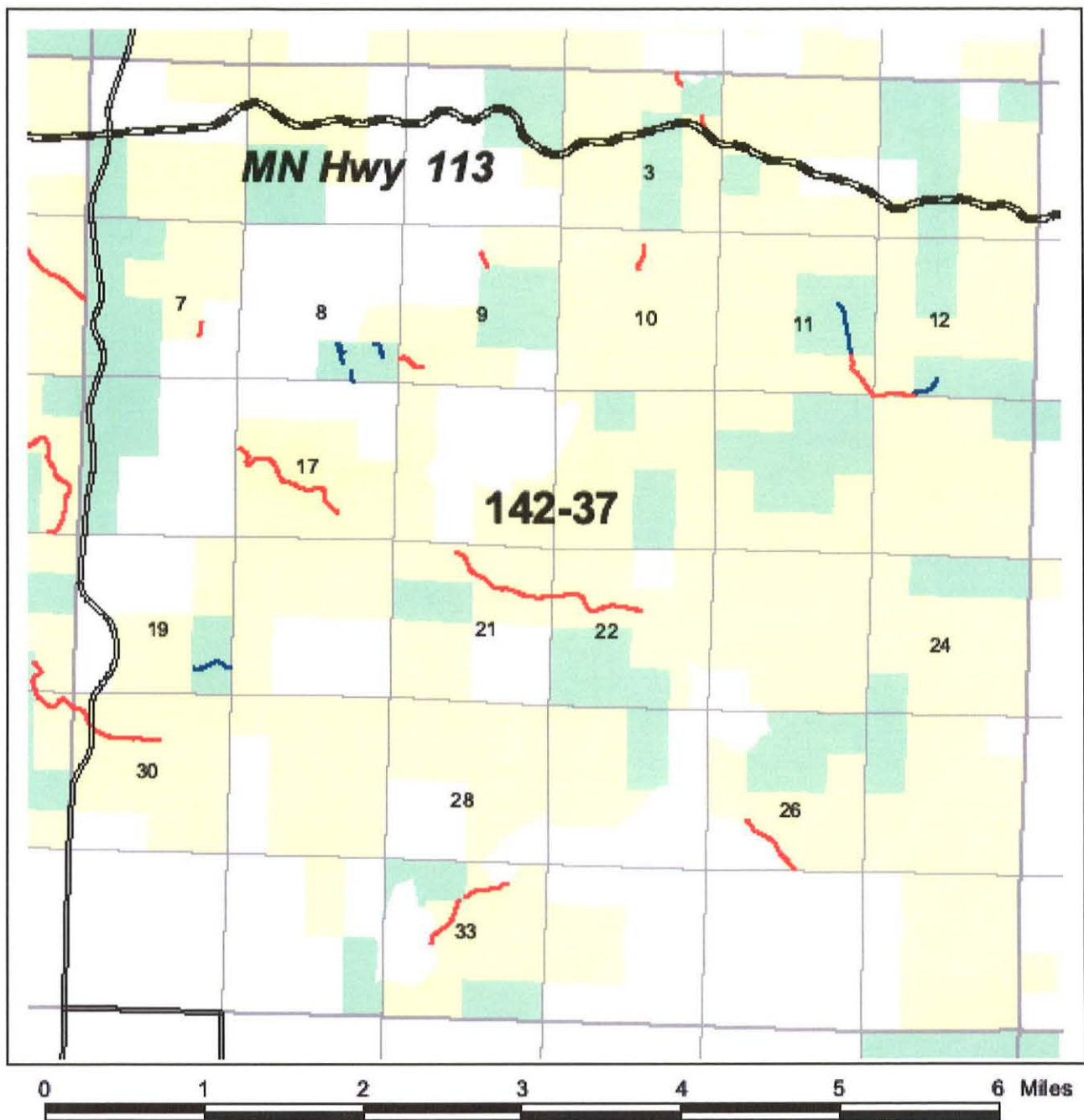


Exhibit A - 2

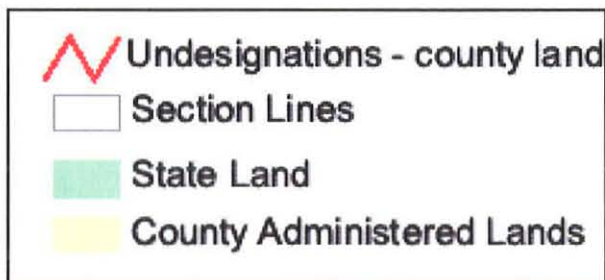
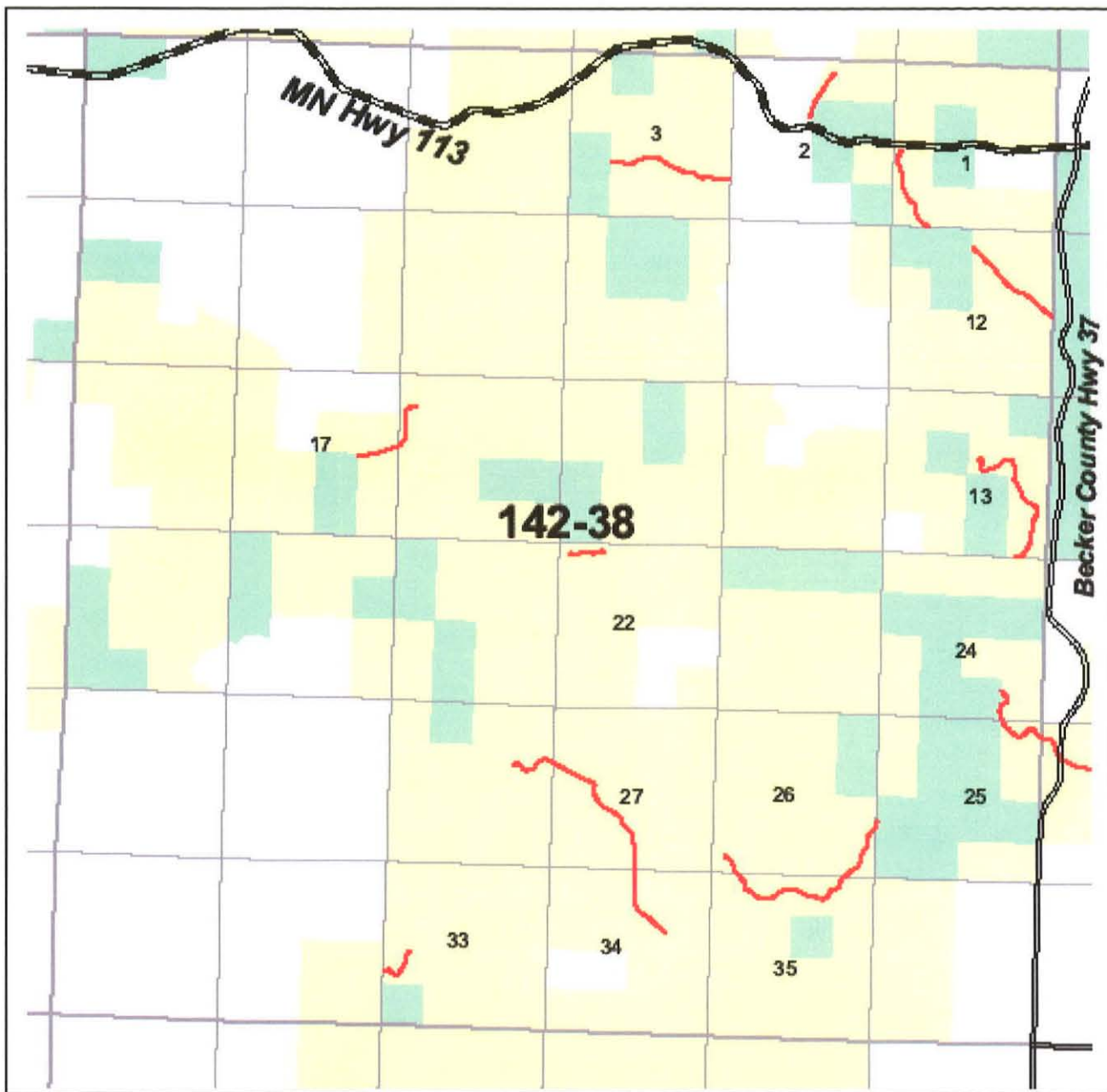
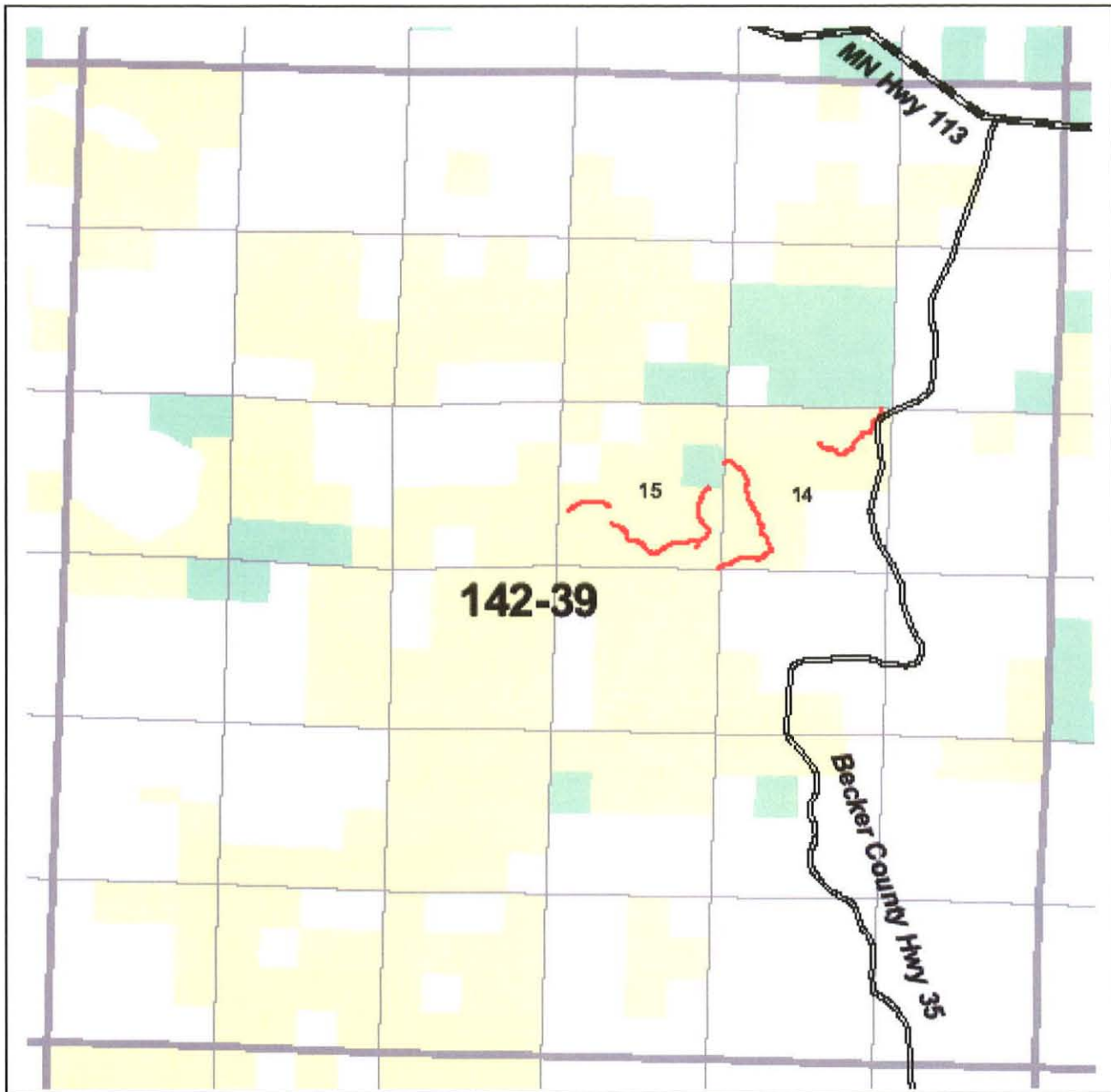


Exhibit A - 3



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