



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: April 13, 2021

Title of Item: Resolution for ECP grant

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	Action Requested: <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing* <small>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</small>
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Submitted by: Dennis Thompson	Department: Land
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Presenter (Name and Title): Dennis Thompson, Assistant Land Commissioner	Estimated Time Needed: 10 minutes
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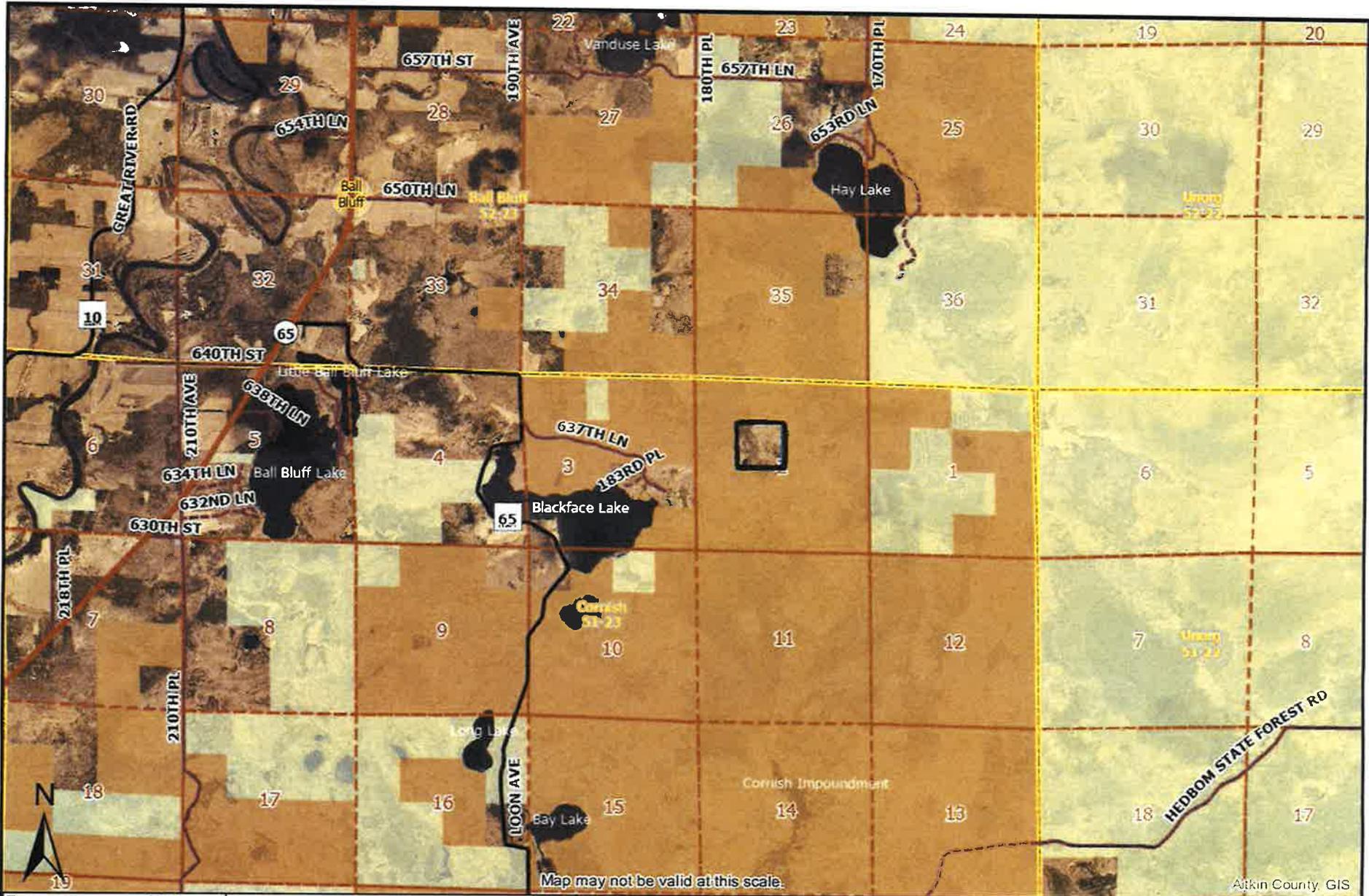
Summary of Issue:
 Aitkin County Land Department desires to apply for an Expedited Conservation Projects (ECP) Grant from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to purchase a property that is land-locked in an important management zone within the county. The landowner is not interested in a land exchange.

The Land Department would apply for an ECP grant to help purchase this property fee title. The Land Department would furnish the 10% match of non-state funds or in-kind resources. Owning the property will simplify management and alleviate access issues.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:
 A deny of the resolution will result in land-locked properties remaining in private ownership. Access and boundary issues would remain. Land management would be fragmented due to mixed ownership.

Recommended Action/Motion:
 Adopt Resolution

Financial Impact:
Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No
What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ 5,000 (In-kind and/or cash)
Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*
 Funds from Memorial Forests. MS 459.06 Subdivision 2 - Development of dedicated forest.
 Approximately 50% Cash and 50% In-Kind



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Aitkin County

Date: 3/31/2021

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Aitkin County GIS



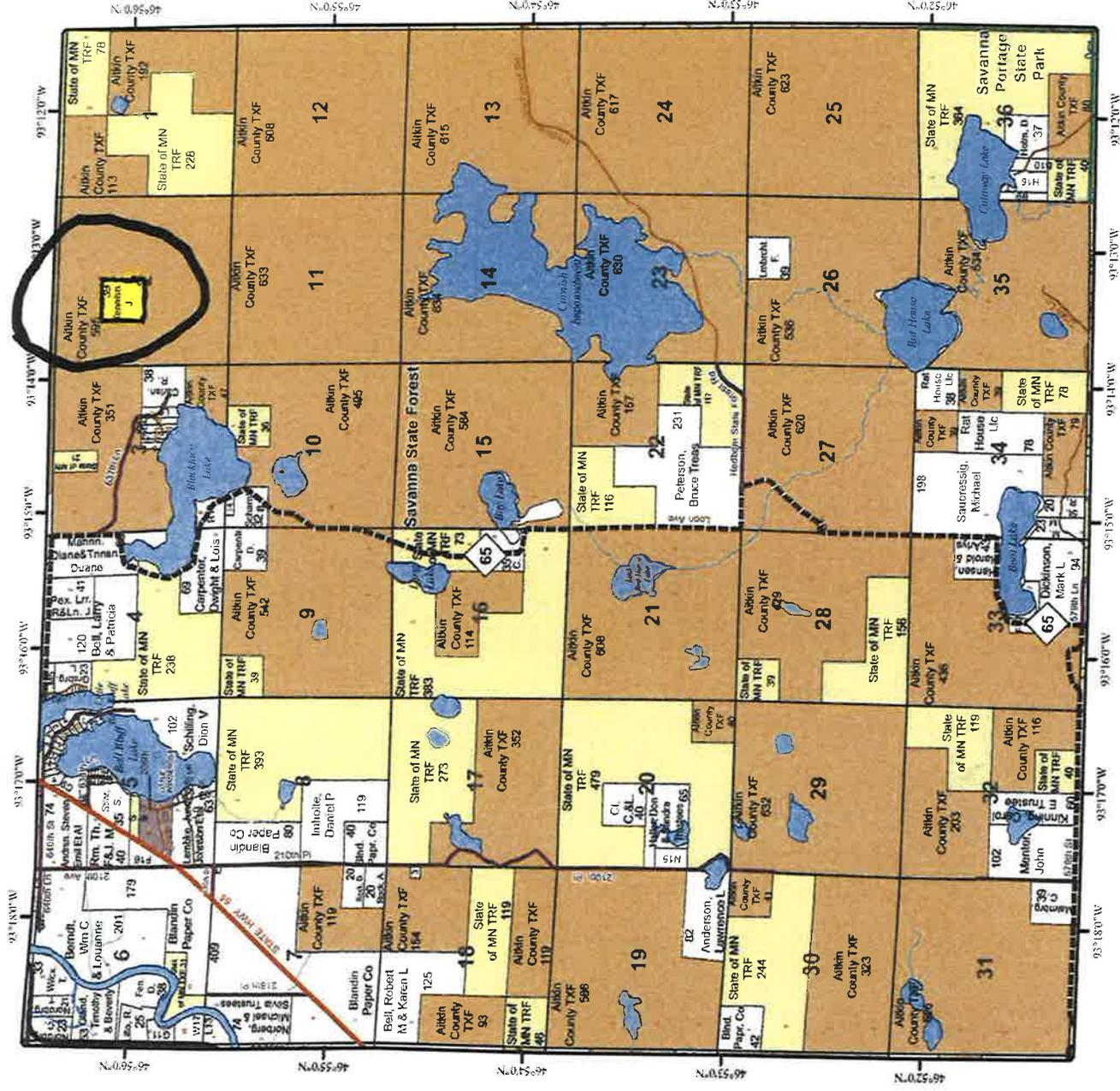
CORNISH T51N-R23W



Acres shown are approximate.

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CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

ADOPTED April 13, 2021

By Commissioner: xxxx

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Expedited Conservation Projects (ECP) grant

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners supports the grant application made to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the Expedited Conservation Projects Grant Program. The application is to acquire an important landlocked property, and

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners adopted Road Easement Policy (080106-112) where it states, "... there are instances involving property in remote areas adjacent to large blocks of Aitkin County tax forfeited lands, the County may consider purchase of a remote land locked property if an easement is not deemed advisable and an exchange is not desirable to the landowner," and

WHEREAS, Aitkin County has the financial capability to meet the 10% match of non-state funds or in-kind resources.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, IF Aitkin County is awarded the grant by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Aitkin County agrees to accept the grant award, and may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above referenced acquisition. Aitkin County will comply with all applicable laws, environmental requirements, and regulations as stated in the grant agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Aitkin County Land Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of Aitkin County.

Commissioner xxxx moved for adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting

STATE OF MINNESOTA}
COUNTY OF AITKIN}

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 13th day of April, 2021 and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 13th day of April, 2021

Jessica Seibert
County Administrator