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Pursuant to M.S. 97A.056, Subdivision 15, this letter notifies you that the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council has received two notices from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR) concerning the requested conversion of forestland to road right-of-way

The first requested conversion is for a conveyance of a permanent road easement to Itasca County. The state interest in the land was originally purchased by the MN DNR with Outdoor Heritage Funds (ML 2009, Ch. 172, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 3). The attached letter from Christine Ostern, MN DNR Forest Legacy Program Coordinator, describes the action.

The second requested conversion is for a conveyance of a fee interest for road right-of-way by MN DOT in Itasca County. The state interest in the land was originally purchased by the MN DNR with Outdoor Heritage Funds (ML 2009, Ch. 172, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 3). The attached letter from Christine Ostern, MN DNR Forest Legacy Program Coordinator, describes the action.

Pursuant to statute and the council's approved operating procedures, and in the absence of disapproval by leadership by March 25, 2021, I will approve the conveyance and forward notification to MS. Ostern of the MN DNR so the conveyance can take place.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding this matter. I will withhold final notification until March 26, 2021 to hear from you, if you have concerns.

Sincerely,

Mark Wm. Johnson
Executive Director
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

cc: Sen. Chris Eaton, Sen. Patricia Torres Ray, Rep. Josh Heintzeman, Rep. Steve Green
Christine Ostern (DNR), Members of the LSOHC

Attachment: Letters and supporting materials from Christine Ostern