

Division of Fish and Wildlife 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155

December 27, 2021

Mark Johnson Executive Director Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. State Office Building, Room 95 St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) is proposing to widen a highway that will impact Aitkin WMA including parcels which were bought by Pheasants Forever with ML 2014, Ch. 256, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 3(b) Outdoor Heritage Funds. The project will convert wetland to road right-of-way and conveyance of permanent road easements to MNDOT.

Project Description: MNDOT is proposing to widen the shoulders of State Hwy 169 in Aitkin County which will require conveyance of a permanent road easement to MNDOT across parcels in Township 47, Range 26, Section 9. Quarter sections are listed below and in attachments.

Quarter Section	Easement Acres
SE1/4 SW1/4	0.2793 AC
SW1/4 SE1/4	0.3013 AC
NW1/4 SE1/4	0.7230 AC
NE1/4 SE1/4	0.0128 AC
SE1/4 NE1/4	0.7379 AC
NE1/4 NE1/4	0.3248 AC
Total	2.3791 AC

The estimated value of the easement, as determined by DNR Land and Minerals staff is: Permanent Easement of 2.3791 acres X \$998.50/acre = \$2,375.53. This amount will be repaid to the Outdoor Heritage Fund.

Sincerely,

Jeff Tillma Fish and Wildlife Land Acquisition 1201 E. Hwy 2 Grand Rapids, MN 55744 Aitkin WMA, T: 47, R: 26, S: 9, Aitkin County, MN Dept. of Transportation, Temporary and Permanent Easement

