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To: Department of Administration  
c/o Bev Kroiss, Director  
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Department of Administration  
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From: Gene Merriam, Commissioner  
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**Subject:** M.S. 16B.245 Inventory of state owned land report.

All 87,079 parcels of state owned land as identified in M.S. 16B.245 totaling 2,956,373 acres of land have been inventoried by the Department of Natural Resources according to each parcel's location and size.

Each parcel was then classified as whether it is (1) currently being used for a public purpose, (2) anticipated to be used for a public purpose or (3) not currently being used or anticipated to be used for a public purpose.

The results of this inventory and classification project are:

- Class (1) 86831 parcels that equal 2,950,617 acres.
- Class (2) 162 parcels that equal 4,984 acres.
- Class (3) 86 parcels that equal 772 acres.
  - ~ 50 parcels are under water and not of value to the DNR
  - ~ 13 parcels are not appropriate for DNR management being inaccessible or isolated parcels, unproductive land, and buildings or parcels no longer of use
  - ~ 10 parcels border the Red Lake Indian Reservation and Red Lake WMA (these parcels are likely to be included in the WMA)
  - ~ 13 parcels of former Forestry tower sites less than 5 acres

Total of 87,079 parcels equaling 2,956,373 acres.

Attached is the summary identifying how much land is included in each classification under section 86A.05 as required in M.S. 16B.245.

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Digital files listing all 87,079 parcels are included on a CD as instructed by the Department of Administration.

Also, all of the 2620 Department of Natural Resources buildings have been inventoried and classified as instructed by the Department of Administration. The results of this inventory and classification project are:

- Class (1) 2564 buildings currently in public use.
- Class (2) 4 buildings anticipated for public use.
- Class (3) 52 buildings with no public use.

A digital file of the Department of Natural Resources building classification is included on the CD.

If you have need for additional information, please contact Jim Lawler, Assistant Director, Division of Lands & Minerals at 651-297-2572 or [jim.lawler@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:jim.lawler@dnr.state.mn.us).

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Acquired Lands Administered by DNR as Designated by 86A.05  
Report to Department of Administration  
Minnesota DNR, Lands and Minerals Division  
November 10, 2004

Source: Acquired Lands Inventory Database and DNR Land Records System, November 10, 2004

ALI Project includes lands records finalized as of January 2004

<u>Admin Use Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Gross Acres</u>
a	state park	199,186.91
b	state recreation area	17,377.54
c	state trail	8,671.85
d	state scientific & natural area	122,708.00
e	state wilderness area	
f	state forests and state forest subareas	1,426,434.28
g	state wildlife management area	1,113,044.38
h	state water access site	2,666.81
i	state wild, scenic and recreational rivers	2,164.04
j	state historic sites	
k	state rest area	651.41
l	additional parks	
m	aquatic management areas	23,621.70
n	N/A	39,846.40
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Gross Acres: "areal" acres not adjusted for undivided interests

Acquired Lands for the purposes of the report include lands classified as acquired, consolidated conservation, and Volstead lands in the DNR Land Information System.