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 Department of Natural Resources  
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**Motorized Recreation Grant Application**

For: (choose all that apply)

Form 8700-159 (R 02/2024)

ATV/UTV Trail Aid

50/50

Snowmobile Trail Aid

Due Date: April 15

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**Instructions:** Applications may combine more than one source of funds. They may be submitted for consideration of traditional ATV, UTV, Snowmobile and Motorized Stewardship funding. Submit one copy of all forms and attachments. See Page 2 for necessary attachments. Send applications to your [Community Services Specialist](#).

| DNR Use Only |        |
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| Category     | Number |
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**Section 1: Applicant Information**

|   |             |  |  |       |          |
|---|-------------|--|--|-------|----------|
| Applicant / Organization Name<br>Iron County Forestry Department                    |             |  | Check Recipient: Individual other than authorized individual to act on behalf of the applicant. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Select if the same as applicant. |       |          |
| Individual Authorized to Act on Behalf of Applicant per Resolution<br>Eric Peterson |             |  | Check Recipient Name (Name to Appear on Check)   |       |          |
| Title<br>Forest Administrator   |             |  | Title  |       |          |
| Address<br>607 3rd Ave N Suite 2  |             |  | Address  |       |          |
| City<br>Hurley  | State<br>WI | ZIP Code<br>54534                              | City   | State | ZIP Code |
| Telephone Number<br>(715)561-2697   |             | Email Address<br>icfadmin@ironcountyforest.org |  |       |          |

**Section 2: Project Information Required for all Projects**

|  |                  |            |                    |           |                      |  |
|--|------------------|------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------------|--|
| Project Title<br>Trail 17 Railroad Acquisition |                  |            |                    |           | Current Funded Miles | New Miles (if applicable)                              |
| County<br>Iron                                 | Township<br>43 N | Range<br>3 | Section<br>4, 5, 9 | ¼ ¼<br>SW | ¼<br>SW              | GPS Coordinates:<br>Lat. 46.168249<br>Long. -90.065535 |

**Project Description Summary**

Iron County has the opportunity to purchase three segments of ATV/UTV & Snowmobile funded year-round Trail 17 in part of the NENW, Sec 36, T43N-R3E, and parts of the SESW, SWSW, NWSW, SWNW of Sec 25, T43N-R3E, Town of Mercer, Iron County, WI from the Union Pacific Railroad totalling 3.99 miles (49.82 acres). This purchase would guarantee these segments would remain open to motorized use. See attached maps. Union Pacific Railroad is asking \$91,000.00. An appraisal has not been completed. If this project is awarded, the appraisal will be completed and the lower of the asking/appraisal will be used.

I certify that all maintenance land use agreements are on file.

**Estimated Cost**

| Maintenance                | Acquisition | Insurance | Development | Bridge Rehab. | Trail Rehab. | Total Estimated Cost |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------|
|                            | \$98,950.00 |           |             |               |              |                      |
| Leave Blank – DNR Use Only |             |           |             |               |              |                      |
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**Applicant Certification**

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| Printed Name of Authorized Official<br>Eric J Peterson | Official's Title<br>Forest Administrator |
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As the applicant's authorized official, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

  
 Signature of Authorized Official

4/8/2024  
 Date Prepared

### Recreation Grant Project Cost Estimate Worksheet

Form 8700-014 (R 07/14)

*For use with Recreation Grant Application Forms*

|  |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|
| Project Name:<br>Trail 17 Railroad Acquisition |   | Prepared By:<br>Tara Krall                | Date:<br>04/04/2024   |
| County:<br>Iron                                | Project Applicant:<br>Iron County Forestry Department | Landowner Name:<br>Union Pacific Railroad | <input type="radio"/> Public<br><input type="radio"/> Private |

Indicate - (C) Contract , (F) Force Acct., (D) Donated

| DEVELOPMENT PROJECT ITEMS<br><i>List by individual item or break down by Use Areas<br/>(See Item List On Back Of This Form)</i> |             |          |                 |                 |                           |
|---|-------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
|   |             | Quantity | Unit of Measure | Component Costs | Estimated Total Item Cost |
| (C)   | Appraisal   | 1        | ea              | \$7,950.00      | \$7,950.00                |
| (F)   | Acquisition | 1        | ea              | \$91,000.00     | \$91,000.00               |
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| TOTALS\$  |             |          |                 |                 | \$98,950.00               |

**NOTE: For acquisition projects, complete the Acquisition Project Cost Estimate Section**

**ACQUISITION PROJECT COST ESTIMATE:**

NOTE: If project includes more than two parcels, attach additional information.

|   | Parcel 1      | Parcel 2 | Total        |
|---|---------------|----------|--------------|
| 1. Parcel Owner                                     | Union Pacific |          |              |
| 2. Number of Acres being Purchased                  | 49.82         |          | 49.82        |
| 3. Grant Eligible Acres                             |               |          |              |
| 4. Option Expiration Date                           |               |          |              |
| 5. Option Amount                                    | \$ 91,000.00  | \$       | \$ 91,000.00 |
| 6. Appraised Value : Land                           | \$ 91,000.00  | \$       | \$ 91,000.00 |
| Improvements  | \$            | \$       | \$           |
| 7. Subtotal   | \$ 91,000     | \$       | \$ 91,000.00 |
| 8. Estimated Other Eligible Acquisition Costs Total | \$ 7,950.00   | \$       | \$ 7,950.00  |
| List costs included in above:                       | \$            | \$       |              |
|   | \$            | \$       |              |
|   | \$            | \$       |              |
| 9. Grand Total Project Costs: (Add Lines 7 & 8)     | 98,950.00     |          | 98,950.00    |

**DEVELOPMENT PROJECT ITEMS LISTING**

NOTE: This list is intended as a guideline and is not a complete list.

**SERVICES**

- Pre-approval Engineering
- Post-approval Engineering
- Supervision
- Feasibility Studies
- Planning
- Administration

**BOATING AREA**

- Ramp Apron
- Launch Ramp
- Bulkhead/Seawall
- Riprap
- Security Lighting

**CAMPsites**

- Tables
- Grills/Fire Rings
- Camp Pads (Gravel, Asphalt)
- Refuse Containers

**EQUIPMENT**

- Benches
- Trash Receptacles
- Other (identify)

**FISHING AREA**

- Fishing Pier
- Bank Stabilization
- Riprap
- Bank Fishing Site

**LANDSCAPING**

- Tree/Shrub Planting
- Sodding/Grass Seed
- Mulch/Fertilizer
- Retaining Walls

**OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS**

- Specify

**PARKING**

- Gravel/Paving
- Curbs/Bumper blocks
- Striping

**PICNIC AREA**

- Tables/Grills
- Trash Receptacles
- Shelters
- General Construction
- Electrical/Water Service

**PLAY AREA**

- Play Equipment
- Equipment Installation
- Surfacing Material

**ROADS**

- Gravel Base/Paving
- Curb and Gutter

**SIGNING**

- Signs
- Posts/Hardware
- Installation
- Walkways/Trails
- Interpretive/Informational
- Parking

**SITE PREPARATION**

- Cleaning/Grubbing
- Rough Grading/Fine Grading
- Fill/Top Soil
- Building Demolition
- Drainage Structures
- Storm Sewers

**SPORT COURTS**

- Tennis
- Sand Lift
- Gravel/Paving
- Fencing

**Color Coating**

- Lighting
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Hockey Rinks
- Sand/Gravel Base
- Dasher Boards
- Lighting
- Water Hydrant
- Multipurpose Courts

**SPORTS FIELDS-should include specific items as shown under Softball.**

- Softball
- Infield Mix
- Backstop/Fencing
- Grass Seeding/Sodding
- Player Enclosures
- Bleachers with Pads
- Lighting
- Sprinkling Sys/Drainage Tile

**Soccer/Football**

- Baseball
- Skating Rinks
- Multipurpose Game Fields
- Sledding/Toboggan Hills

**SWIMMING AREA**

- Beach
- Dredging
- Sand Blanket
- Raft/Pier
- Guard Towers
- Buoys & Ropers
- Bathhouse

**Swimming/Wading Pool**

- Pool Tank
- Filtration Equipment
- Fencing
- Pool Equipment

**TOILETS**

- Flush Toilets
- General Construction
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Sewer/Water Laterals
- Vault Toilets

**TRAILS**

- Clearing
- Surfacing
- Overview Structures
- Boardwalks
- Culverts
- Bridges
- Grading

**UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC**

- Trenching
- Junction Boxes
- Conduit
- Transformers

**WALKWAYS**

- Fill
- Gravel
- Paving
- Culverts
- Bridges
- Curb Cuts

**WATER SYSTEMS**

- Well
- Pump
- Distribution
- Fountains
- Spigots/Hose Bibs



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April 2, 2024

Mr. Eric Peterson  
Forestry Administrator, Iron County, WI  
607 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave N, Suite 2  
Hurley, WI 54534

**Re: Proposal for an Appraisal of ±49.82 Acres in Iron County, Wisconsin**

Dear Mr. Peterson:

This letter will serve as our proposal to provide you with services as detailed below.

**Client(s):** Mr. Eric Peterson

**Intended User(s):** Mr. Eric Peterson, Iron County, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and their authorized representatives

**Intended Use:** Property valuation for potential acquisition using grant funding

**Report Standard(s):** Full narrative appraisal report conforming to Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) standards and the Department's (WisDNR) General Guidelines for the Preparation of Appraisals

**Report Effective Date:** Date of property inspection

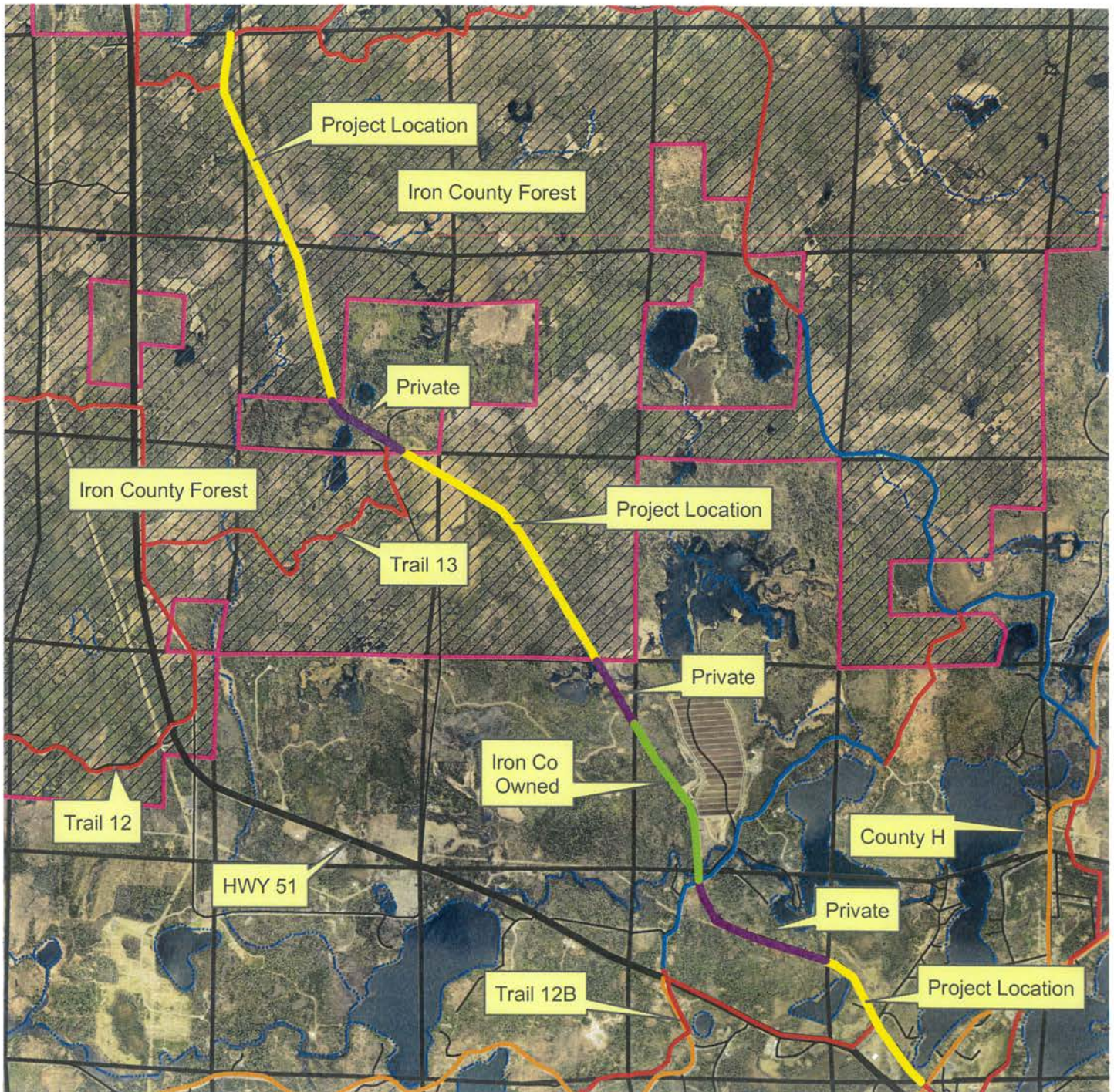
**Subject Location:** Part of the NENW of Section 36, T43N-R3E, and parts of the SESW, SWSW, NWSW, SWNW of Section 25, T43N-R3E, Town of Mercer, Iron County, Wisconsin

**Parcel ID(s):** Multiple

**Approximate Acreage:** ±49.82 acres

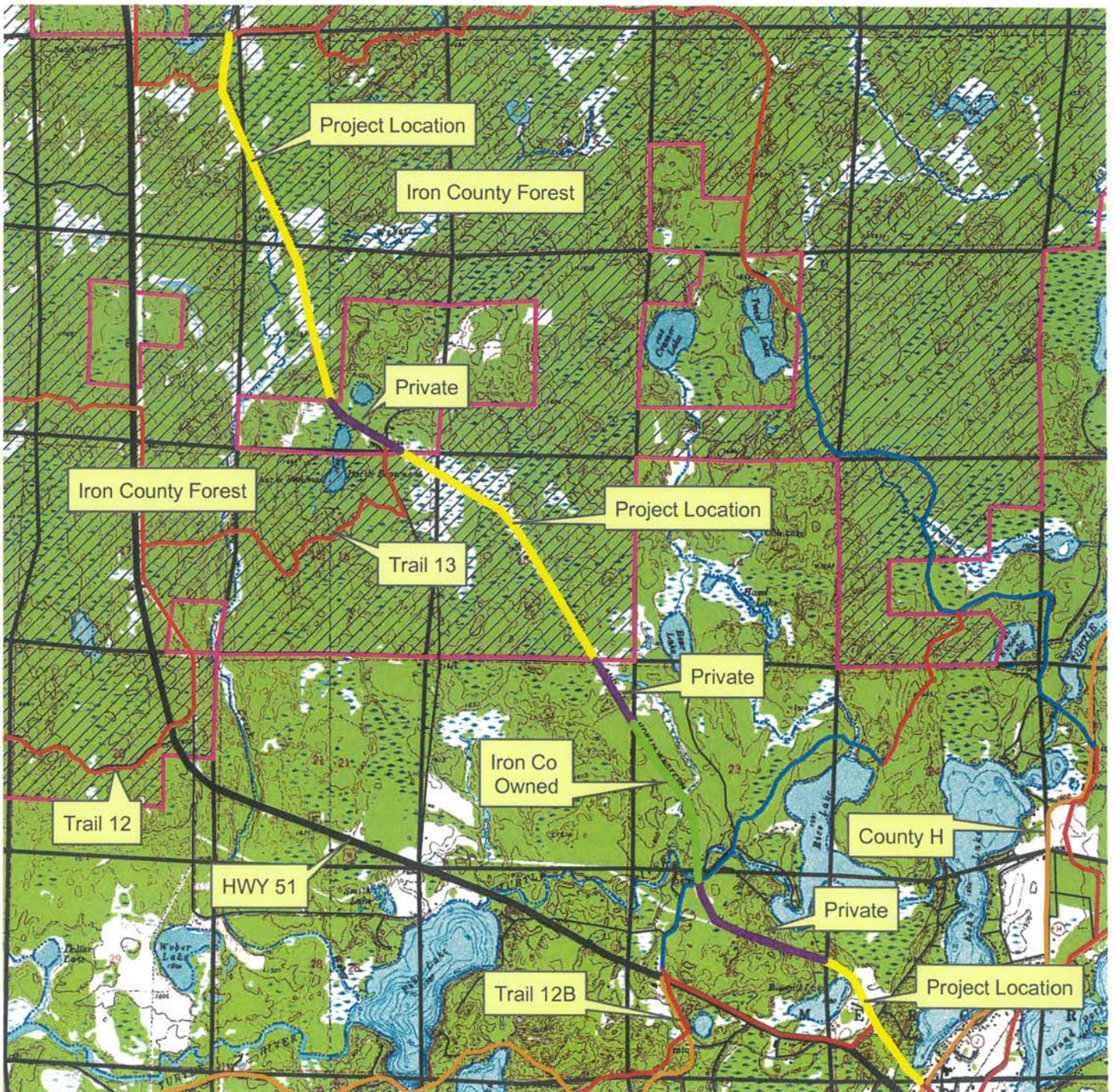
**Project Scope:** Appraise abandoned Union-Pacific railroad grade in the Town of Mercer. The grade of interest begins at County Highway J in Mercer and heads northward to the Mercer/Oma town line with several private parcel exclusions as provided on maps by Iron County. It is estimated the line is 100 feet in width, 50 feet from the centerline.

# Iron County Forestry "Trail 17 Railroad Acquisition" Sections 4, 5, 9, 15, 16, 25 T43N, R3E Town of Mercer, Iron County, Wisconsin



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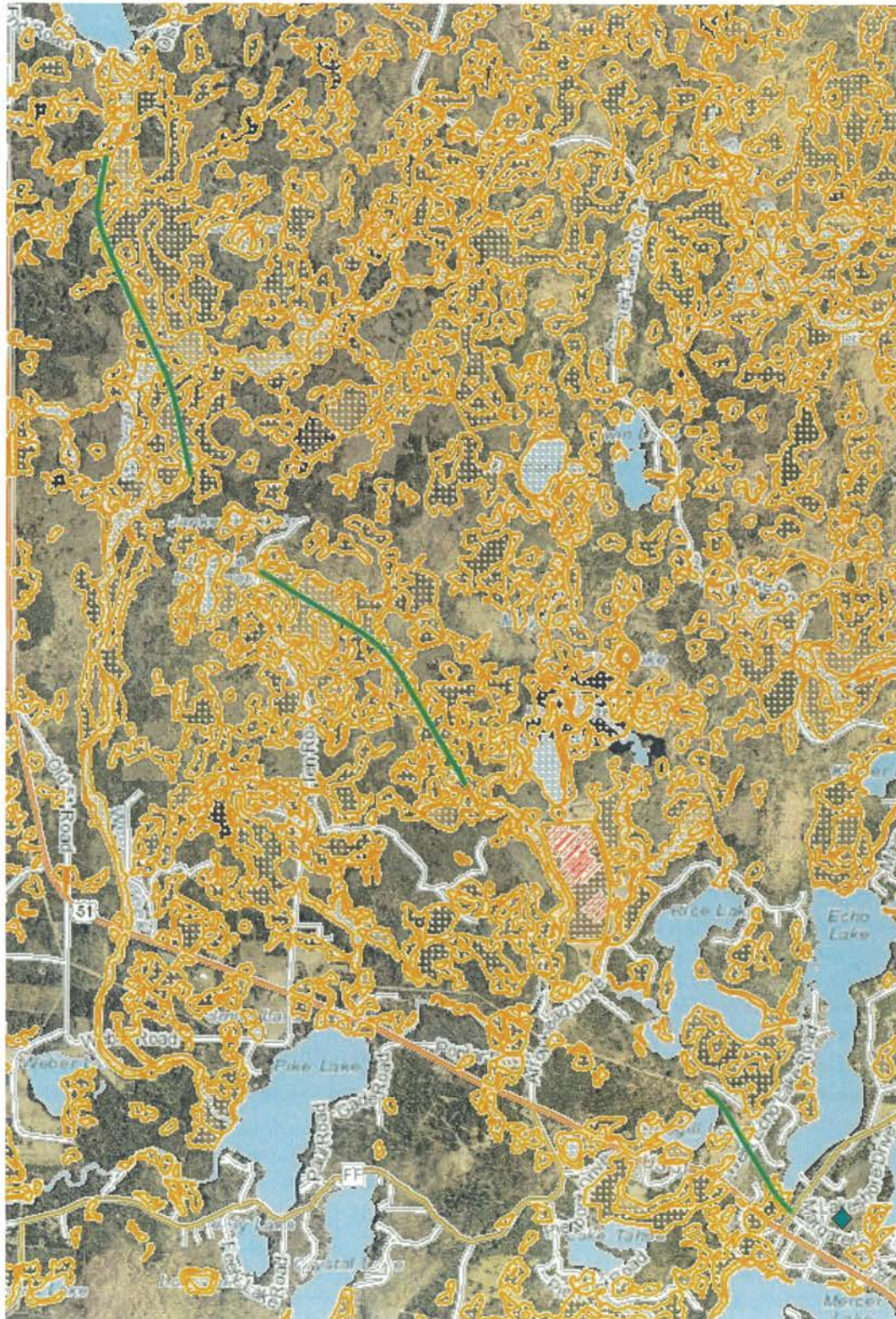
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# Surface Water Data Viewer Map



## Legend

- Lake Class Areas
- Riverine/ditch Class Areas
- Wetland Class Areas
- Wetland Class Areas
- Filled Areas
- Lake Class Areas
- Riverine/ditch Class Areas
- Wetland Class Areas
- Wetland Class Points**
- Dammed pond
- Excavated pond
- Filled/drained wetland
- Wetland too small to delineate
- Filled excavated pond
- Filled Points
- Wetland Class Areas
- Filled Areas
- Wetland Identifications and Confirmations
- Municipality**
- State Boundaries
- County Boundaries
- Major Roads**
- Interstate Highway
- State Highway
- US Highway
- County and Local Roads**
- County HWY
- Local Road
- Railroads
- Tribal Lands
- Rivers and Streams**
- Intermittent Streams
- Lakes and Open water

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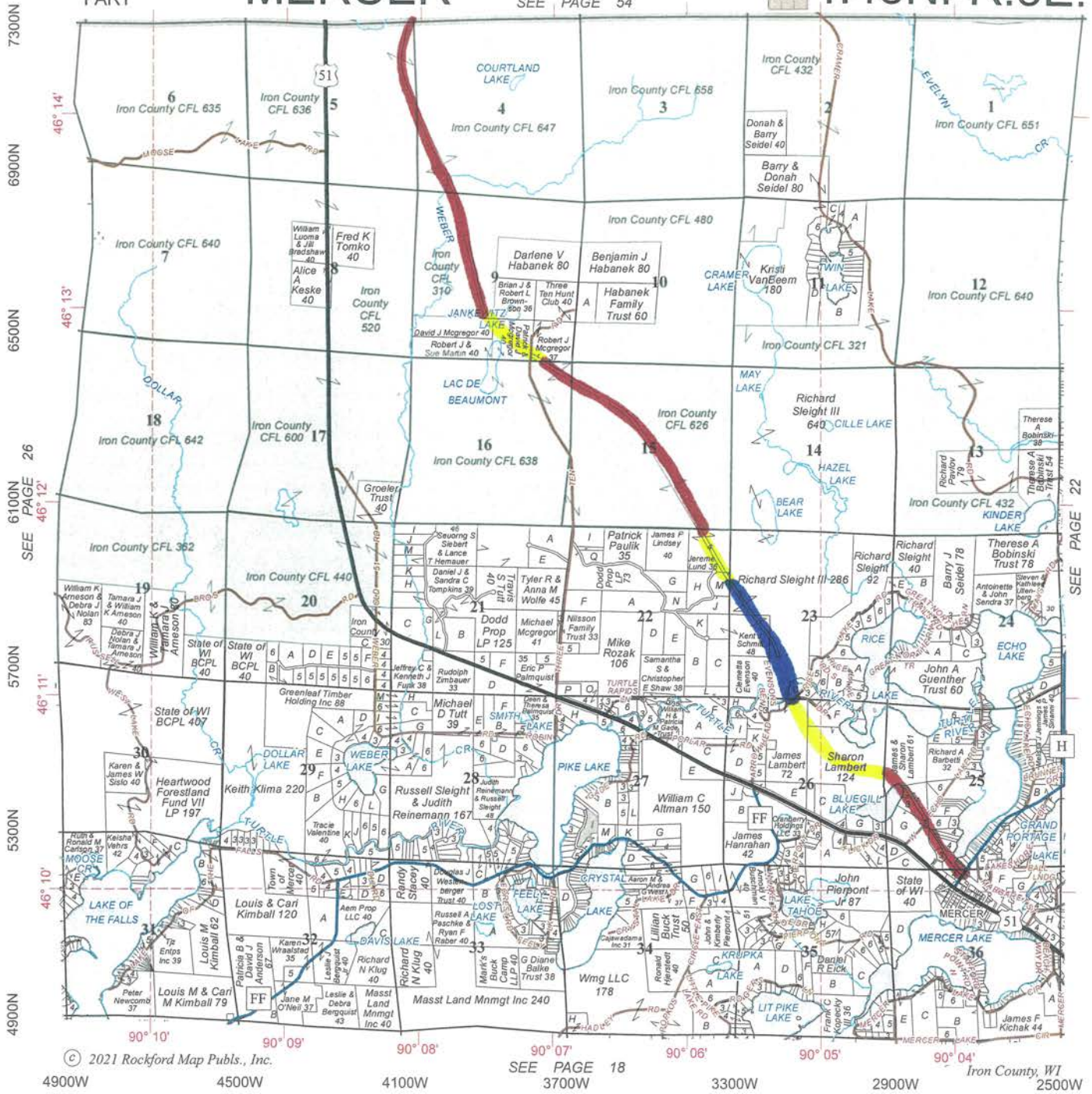
## Notes

Trail 17 Railroad Acquisition

# NORTH CENTRAL PART MERCER

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# T.43N.-R.3E.



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Iron County, WI

- Proposed Acquisition 3.99 miles (49.82 AC)
- Iron County Owned
- OTHER Ownership