

Motorized Recreation Grant Application

For: (choose all that apply)

Form 8700-159 (R 02/2024)

- ATV/UTV Trail Aid
 Snowmobile Trail Aid

Due Date: April 15

Notice: Completion of this form is required under Wisconsin Statutes 23.09(26) and 23.33. Failure to complete this form will result in denial of financial assistance. Personally identifiable information found on this form is not intended to be used for any other purpose. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) may provide this information to requesters as required by Wisconsin's Public Records law {ss. 19.31 – 19.39, Wis. Stats.}.

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	
Category	Number

Section 1: Applicant Information

Applicant / Organization Name Rusk 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 Jerrad Macholl				Check Recipient Name (Name to Appear on Check) Jerrad Macholl			
Title Rusk County Forest Administrator				Title Rusk County Forest Administrator			
Address 311 Miner Ave. East S-115				Address 311 Miner Ave. East S-115			
City Ladysmith	State WI	ZIP Code 54848		City Ladysmith	State WI	ZIP Code 54848	
Telephone Number (715) 532-2113		Email Address jmacholl@ruskcountywi.us					

Section 2: Project Information Required for all Projects

Project Title Bruce Snowmobile Corridor 31 Weirgor Reroute					Current Funded Miles 318.7	New Miles (if applicable) 3.8
County Rusk	Township 36 N	Range 8	Section 1/4 1/4	1/4	GPS Coordinates: Lat. _____ Long. _____	

Project Description Summary

The project consists of rerouting a portion of snowmobile trail (Corridor 31). This portion of trail is difficult to groom because of expansive wetlands that often do not freeze over. Rerouting the trail will move it away from these wetlands and make grooming much easier. Travelers will enjoy a better ride as well by avoiding this wetland area. This reroute will also eliminate 0.3 mi. of road running. The proposed trail will utilize a recently developed portion of ATV trail that extends north off Meadow Dam Rd. to Weirgor Rd. The reroute distance will be 5.9 miles, the abandoned portion of trail distance is 2.1 miles. This reroute will increase the overall trail mileage for the Bruce snowmobile club by 3.8 miles. No development funding is needed for this reroute. Currently there are 318.7 miles of funded snowmobile trails in Rusk County, this reroute will increase that total to 322.5.

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

Estimated Cost

Maintenance	Acquisition	Insurance	Development	Bridge Rehab.	Trail Rehab.	Total Estimated Cost
Leave Blank – DNR Use Only						

Applicant Certification

Printed Name of Authorized Official Jerrad Macholl	Official's Title 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

4-8-24
 Date Prepared

Appendix B – Required for Trail/Qualified Trout Rehab, Reroute, or Development

Trail Rehab Qualified Trout New Trail Trail Reroute (Mandatory or Discretionary)

County	Township	Range	<input type="radio"/> E <input checked="" type="radio"/> W	Section	1/4 1/4	1/4	GPS Coordinates: Lat. Long.
Rusk	36 N	8					

Funded Trail Name or Number (SNARS if applicable)	Has this trail ever received development or rehabilitation funds in the past?	Year: _____ \$ _____
Corridor 31	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	

Trail is located on: <input type="radio"/> Private property <input checked="" type="radio"/> Public property	Length of Easement or Landowner Use Agreement Perpetual years	Expiration Date
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Landowner Where Trail is Located	Telephone Number
Rusk County Forest Land	(715) 532-2113

What other recreational trail uses are planned for this trail?

ATV/UTV

If there are other Recreational uses planned, how much of the trail development/rehab. cost will be paid for by other users?

100% ATV/UTV funded to develop trail. Future maintenance costs to be shared between ATV/UTV and Snowmobile.

How many miles would be affected if this project is not funded?	Will this result in closure of a trail?
2.1	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Is this a critical section to the overall trail system? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Is there a reasonable alternative? Continue to struggle maintaining existing trail.
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Does any section of this trail contain a bridge? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Will this bridge require rehabilitation now or in the next few years? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	What is the weight of your puller & drag/grading equipment? 16,000 lbs.
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- Yes No Have you contacted your local [DNR Water Management Specialist \(WMS\)](#) regarding a permit?
- Yes No Is a permit needed? (Please provide any written correspondence from WMS.)
- Yes No Will this project be located near or cross any intermittent or perennial waterway? [Surface Water Data Viewer](#)
- Yes No Will this project be located near or cross any wetland?
- Yes No Will this project involve land disturbance – including clearing and grubbing – of 1 acre or more of land? (Less than 4/10th mile for a typical trail) [DNR Storm Water Contact List](#)

Trail Project Detailed Description

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Trail Relocation (Reroute) Ranking Tool

Guidelines for Applicant

Complete this form for each relocation you are submitting a grant application for. Provide any additional documents not requested on application checklist to substantiate your points, including actual deeded easements.

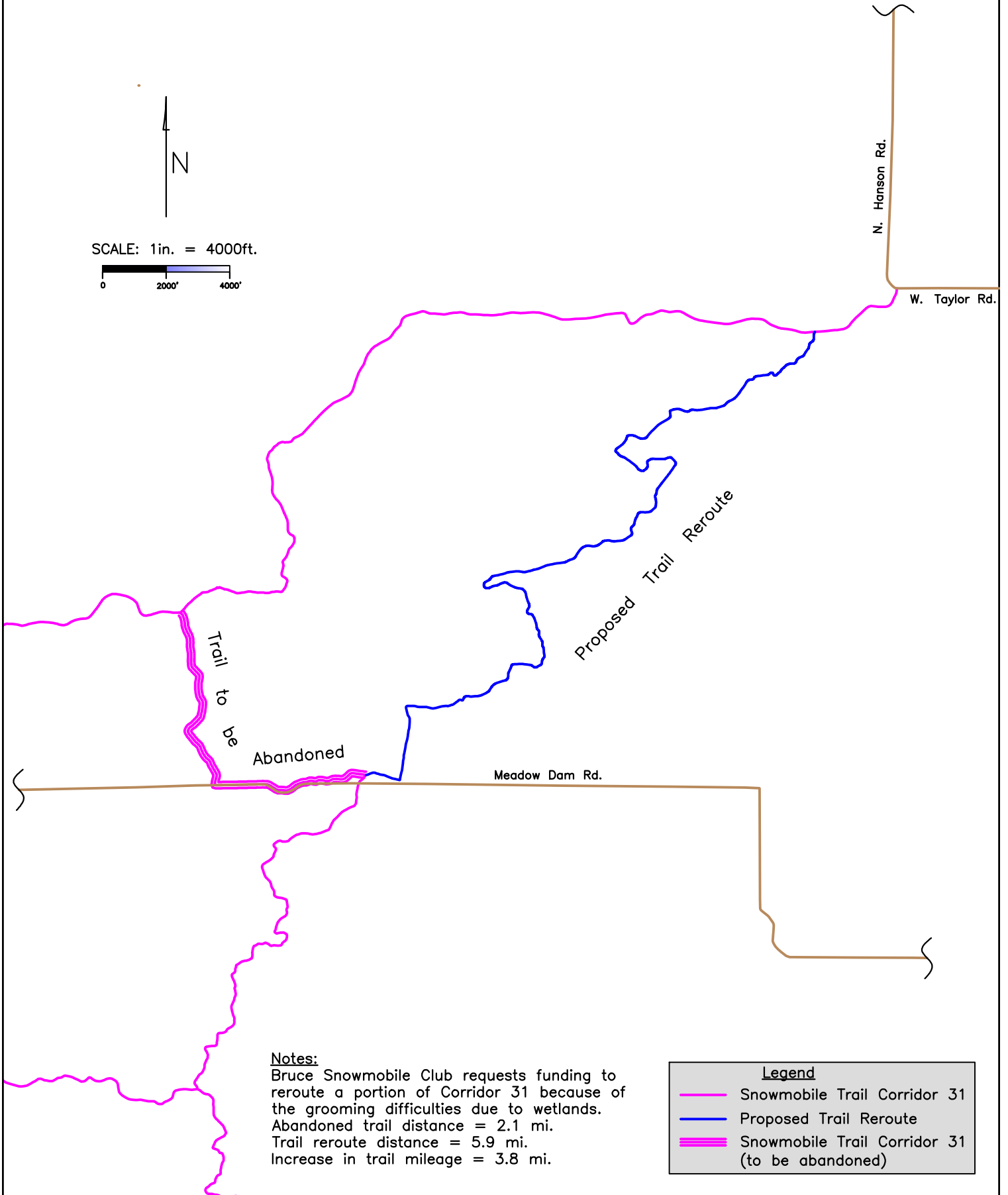
Mandatory or Discretionary? (no points)	
A) Trail is already closed or will be closed for the upcoming season. = Mandatory	
B) Trail won't be closed for the coming season, but relocation is preferable for landowner request to avoid road use, etc = Discretionary	B) Discretionary

Category		Possible Points	Actual Points
1	Maintenance Increase Only		
	New trail footprint has already been cleared/constructed, application is requesting only a maintenance increase	2	2
2	Dedicated Highway Rec Wing		
	An opportunity to develop a dedicated rec wing on a highway will allow for increased safety of trail users by getting them off of a shared highway bridge.	2	—
3	Funding (maximum points 2) Are other funds already committed?		
	50% or greater from other funding source(s)?	2	—
	11% - 49% from other funding source(s)?	1	—
	0% - 10% from other funding source(s)?	0	0
4	Length of Written Easements or Land Use Agreement (max points 4) (ch. 23.09(26)(am)1 WI Stats)		
	On public land (County, State, Federal)	4	4
	10 or more year deeded easement on private land or other public land, for all portions of that trail segment to the nearest road on each side	3	—
	3-9 year deeded easement on private land or other public land, for all portions of that trail to the nearest road on each side	2	—
	10 or more year land use agreement (LUA, not deeded) on private land or other public land	1	—
	3-9 year land use agreement (LUA, not deeded) on private land or other public land	0	—
5	Miles Impacted – How many miles will need to be rerouted if the trail is shut down? Measured from nearest intersection on both sides of lost segment. (max 4 points)		
	Less than 20 miles	1	1
	20 miles or more	3	—
	No other snowmobile trails connect. Explain:	4	—
DEDUCTIONS			
8	County Active Project Deduction (maximum deduction 1 point) A snowmobile active project is one that has exceeded its initial grant period.		
	Two or more active projects - deduct 1 point	-1	-1
GRAND TOTAL			6

Bruce Snowmobile Corridor 31 Weirgor Reroute Planview






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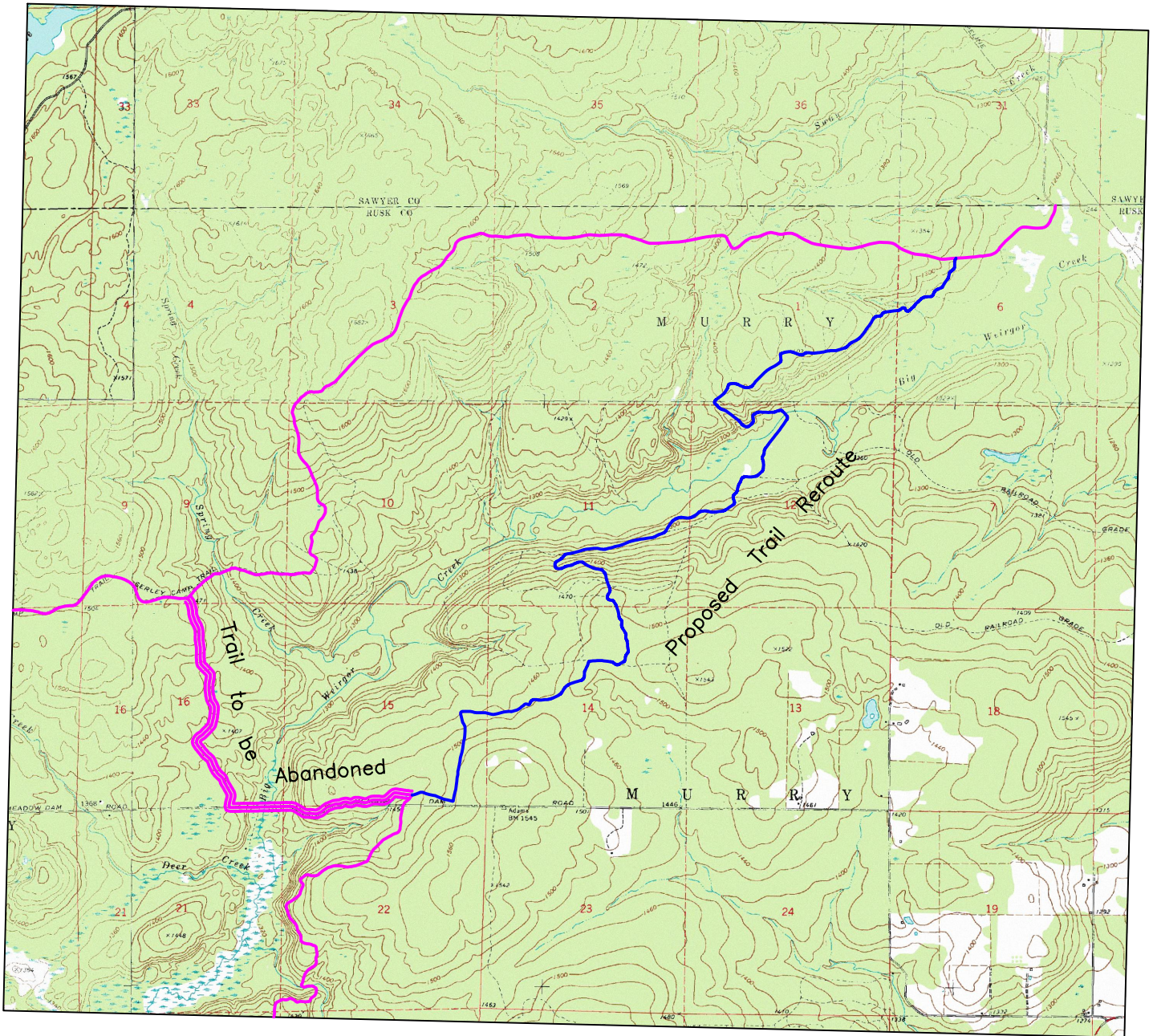
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Legend

-  Snowmobile Trail Corridor 31
-  Proposed Trail Reroute
-  Snowmobile Trail Corridor 31 (to be abandoned)

Bruce Snowmobile Corridor 31 Weirgor Reroute Topo Site Map



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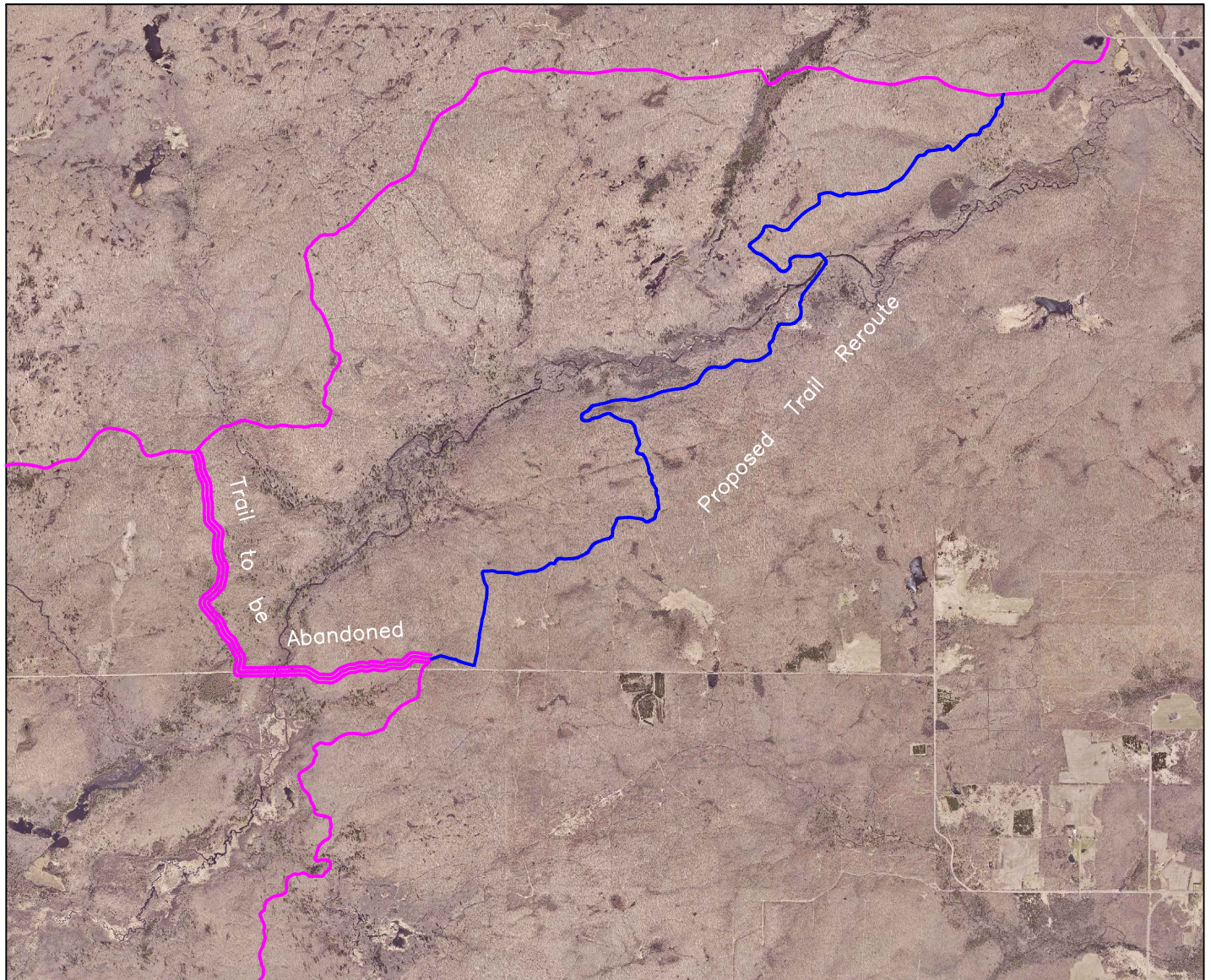
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Bruce Snowmobile Corridor 31 Weirgor Reroute Aerial Site Map






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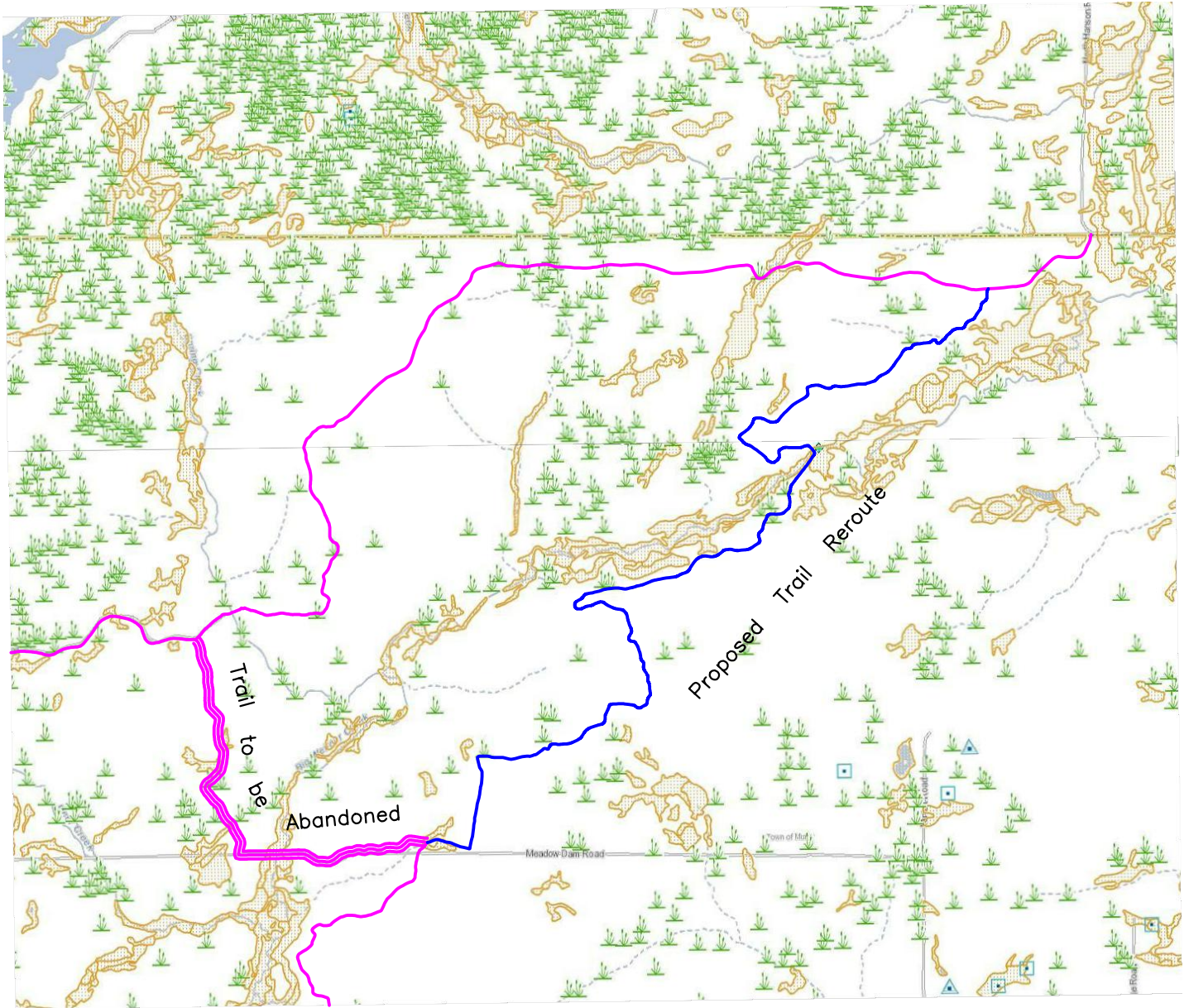
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Bruce Snowmobile Corridor 31 Weirgor Reroute Wetland Site Map



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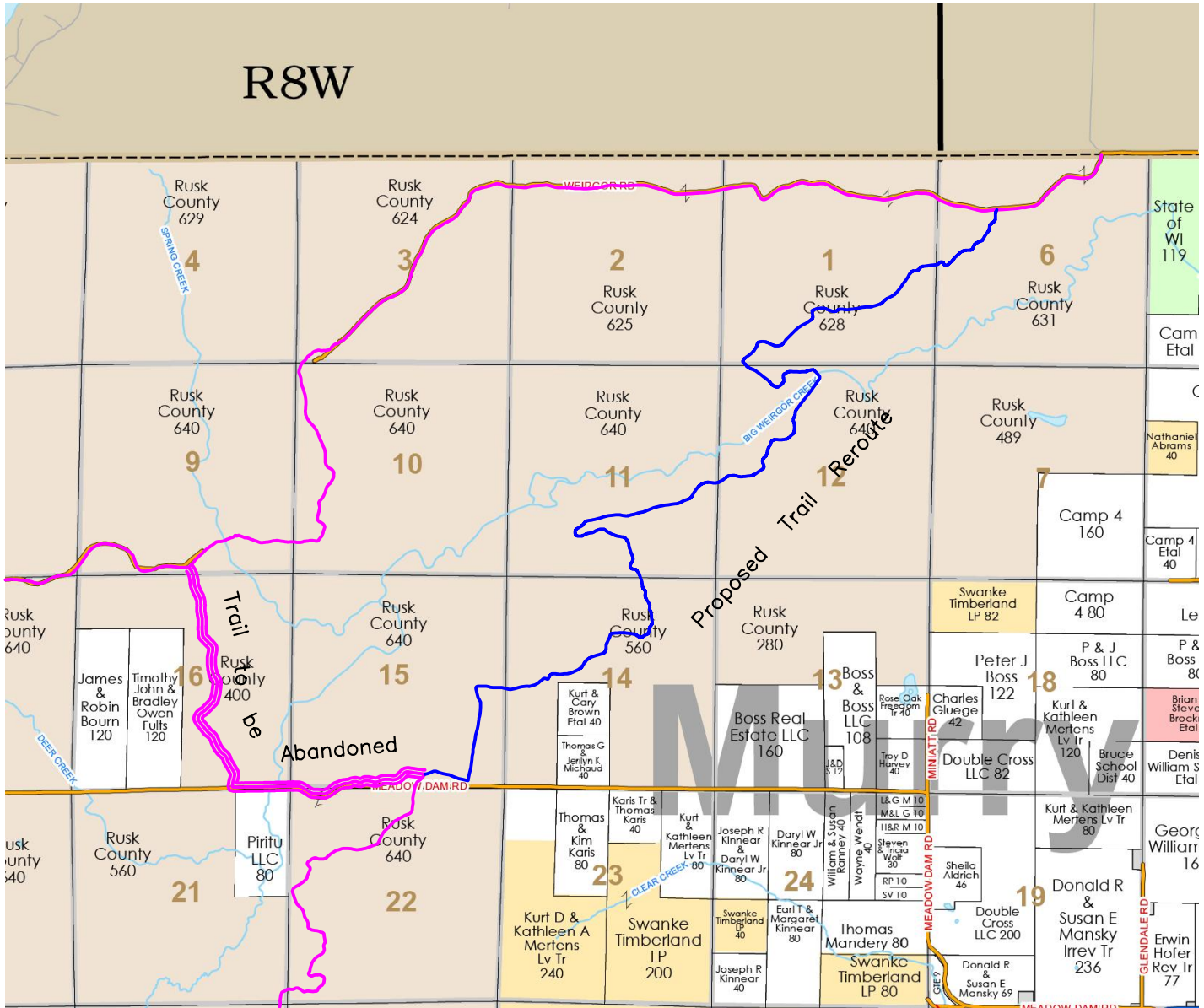
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Legend

- Wl. Wetland Inventory
- Snowmobile Trail Corridor 31 (to be abandoned)
- Proposed Trail Reroute
- Snowmobile Trail Corridor 31

Bruce Snowmobile Corridor 31 Weirgor Reroute Plat Site Map

Town of Murry (West)
T36N. - R8W.



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Rusk County Snowmobile Trail Map 2024

Bruce Corridor 31 – Trail Reroute

