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Public Notice

CONDEMNATION
STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF KOOCHICHING
IN DISTRICT COURT
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. 36-CV-13-766

State of Minnesota, by its Commissioner of Transportation,

Petitioner,
vs
Bruce A. Budris, et al.,
Respondents.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN LANDS FOR TRUNK HIGHWAY PURPOSES

NOTICE

To the Respondents hereinabove named:
You, and each of you, are hereby notified that on February 13, 2014, at 2:00 o'clock P.M., or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, before Judge Charles H. LeDuc, in the Courthouse at International Falls, Koochiching County, Minnesota, the above named petitioner will present to the above named Court a petition now on file herein for the condemnation of certain lands for trunk highway purposes. A copy of said petition is attached hereto and incorporated herein.
YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, That at the above time and place the above-named petitioner will also move the court for an order transferring title and possession to petitioner of the parcels described in the petition in accordance with Minn. Stat. §117.042, as of March 20, 2014.

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that all persons occupying the property described in the petition must VACATE THE PREMISES AND MOVE ALL OF YOUR PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM SAID PREMISES ON OR BEFORE MARCH 20, 2014. All advertising signs or devices located on the property being acquired must be removed by March 20, 2014.

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that (1) a party wishing to challenge the public use or public purpose, necessity, or authority for a taking must appear at the court hearing and state the objection or must appeal within 60 days of a court order; and (2) a court order approving the public use or public purpose, necessity, and authority for the taking is final unless an appeal is brought within 60 days after service of the order on the party.

Dated: 12/04/13
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Bruce A. Budris, County of Koochiching, Ricky J. Scholler, Meriwether Minnesota Land & Timber LLC, formerly known as Boise Minnesota Land & Timber, LLC, State of Minnesota Department of Revenue, Boise Cascade Company, successor in interest by corporate merger, consolidation, amendment, or conversion to Boise Cascade, LLC, Unknown heirs of William L. Multer, deceased, Unknown heirs of Patricia A. Multer, deceased, State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Mary Lou Erickson, Douglas A. Erickson, State of Minnesota Department of Human Services, North Star Electric Cooperative, Incorporated, successor in interest to Border Electric Cooperative, Inc., Douglas W.T. Erickson, also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate described in the Petition herein, Respondents.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN LANDS FOR TRUNK HIGHWAY PURPOSES

PETITION

To the District Court above named the State of Minnesota brings this Petition and respectfully states and alleges:
I.
That Trunk Highway numbered 11, being Route numbered 11, has been located according to law and passes over the lands herein described.
That it is duly covered by Right of Way Plat Orders numbered 93676, 93677, 93678, 93679, 93680, 93681 and 93682.
II.
That the Commissioner of Transportation deems it necessary that the State of Minnesota for trunk highway purposes obtain the lands herein described in fee simple absolute, together with the following rights: to acquire a temporary easement in those cases which are herein particularly mentioned.
With reference to Parcel 201E, it is the intention of this proceeding to except all severed mineral rights, not including rights to sand and gravel, and reserve to the owners of the severed mineral rights, their heirs, successors and assigns, the

heirs, successors and assigns, the rights and privileges to explore for, mine, and remove the minerals, but only in such manner that will not interfere with the use of said land for highway purposes or with the safe and continuous operation of any public highway thereon, and further the severed mineral owners reserve the right to relocate the highway at the mineral owners' expense pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §160.10 as such may be amended.
It is the intention of the above-named petitioner to move the court for an order authorizing the Court Administrator to accept and deposit in an interest bearing account payments from the petitioner to the court pursuant to Minnesota statutes.
Further, it is the intention of the above-named petitioner to move the court for an order transferring title and possession of the parcels herein described, prior to the filing of an award by the court appointed commissioners, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §117.042.
The petitioner reserves its right to recover costs of clean up and testing and all other damages arising from the presence of pollutants, contaminants, or hazardous materials on the property described herein, from all potential responsible parties, including respondents herein where appropriate, in a separate legal action to the extent permitted by law.
III.
That the following described lands in these proceedings taken are situated in Koochiching County, Minnesota; that the names of all persons appearing of record or known to your petitioner to be the owners of said lands or interested therein, including all whom your petitioner has been able by investigation and inquiry to discover, together with the nature of the ownership of each, as nearly as can be ascertained, are as follows:

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 202X C.S. 3604 (11=11-29)
S.P. 3604-73RW

All of the following:
That part of Government Lot 6 of Section 12, Township 158 North, Range 25 West, shown as Parcel 202X on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plat Numbered 36-44 as the same is on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Koochiching County, Minnesota;

containing 2.16 acres, more or less, of which 1.59 acres is encumbered by an existing highway easement;

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:

Bruce A. Budris
Fee
County of Koochiching
Taxes

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 202XA C.S. 3604 (11=11-29)
S.P. 3604-73RW

All of the following:
That part of Government Lot 6 of Section 12, Township 158 North, Range 25 West, shown as Parcel 202XA on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plat Numbered 36-44 as the same is on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Koochiching County, Minnesota;

containing 0.62 acre, more or less, of which 0.44 acre is encumbered by an existing highway easement.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:

Ricky J. Scholler
Fee
County of Koochiching
Taxes and Special Assessments

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 201 C.S. 3604 (11=11-34)
S.P. 3604-73RW

All of the following:
That part of Government Lots 3 and 4 of Section 12 and the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 13, both in Township 158 North, Range 25 West, shown as Parcel 201 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plat Numbered 36-45 as the same is on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Koochiching County, Minnesota;

containing 8.80 acres, more or less, of which 6.44 acres is encumbered by an existing highway easement;

together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said Parcel 201:

Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said plat as to said Parcel 201 by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2017, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:

Meriwether Minnesota Land & Timber LLC, formerly known as Boise Minnesota Land & Timber, LLC
Fee

State of Minnesota
Department of Revenue
Possible Claimant of an Interest

Boise Cascade Company, successor in interest by corporate merger, consolidation, amendment, or conversion to Boise Cascade, LLC
Easement

County of Koochiching
Taxes

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 201A C.S. 3604 (11=11-34)
S.P. 3604-73RW

All of the following:
That part of Government Lot 1 of Section 35, and Government Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 36, both in Township 70 North, Range 27 West, and Government Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of Section 31, Township 70 North, Range 26 West, shown as Parcel 201A on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plats Numbered 36-46, 36-47, 36-48, 36-49, and 36-50 as the same are on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Koochiching County, Minnesota;

containing 35.79 acres, more or less, of which 24.50 acres is encumbered by an existing highway easement;

together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said Parcel 201A:

Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said plats as to said Parcel 201A by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2017, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:

Meriwether Minnesota Land & Timber LLC, formerly known as Boise Minnesota Land & Timber, LLC
Fee

State of Minnesota
Department of Revenue
Possible Claimant of an Interest

Boise Cascade Company, successor in interest by corporate merger, consolidation, amendment, or conversion to Boise Cascade, LLC
Easement

County of Koochiching
Taxes and Easement

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 201C C.S. 3604 (11=11-34)
S.P. 3604-73RW

All of the following:
That part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 31, Township 70 North, Range 26 West, shown as Parcel 201C on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plats Numbered 36-49 and 36-50 as the same are on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Koochiching County, Minnesota;

containing 6.34 acres, more or less, of which 4.03 acres is encumbered by an existing highway easement and 0.04 acre is encumbered by an existing road easement;

together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said Parcel 201C:

Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said plats as to said Parcel 201C by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2017, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:

Meriwether Minnesota Land & Timber LLC, formerly known as Boise Minnesota Land & Timber, LLC
Fee

State of Minnesota
Department of Revenue
Possible Claimant of an Interest

Boise Cascade Company, successor in interest by corporate merger, consolidation, amendment, or conversion to Boise Cascade, LLC
Easement

County of Koochiching
Taxes

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 201E C.S. 3604 (11=11-34)
S.P. 3604-73RW

All of the following:
That part of Government Lots 3 and 4 of Section 12, Township 158 North, Range 25 West, shown as Parcel 201E on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plat Numbered 36-45 as the same is on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Koochiching County, Minnesota;

containing 0.29 acre, more or less;

together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said Parcel 201E:

Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said plat as to said Parcel 201E by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2017, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:

Unknown heirs of William L. Multer, deceased
Unknown heirs of Patricia A. Multer, deceased
Fee

State of Minnesota
Department of Natural Resources
Mineral Rights

Mary Lou Erickson
Douglas A. Erickson
Claimant of an Interest

State of Minnesota
Department of Human Services
Lien

North Star Electric Cooperative, Incorporated, successor in interest to Border Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Easement

County of Koochiching
Taxes and Special Assessments

Douglas W.T. Erickson
Occupant

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 201B C.S. 3604 (11=11) 901
S.P. 3604-73RW

All of the following:
That part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 70 North, Range 26 West, shown as Parcel 201B on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plat Numbered 36-50 as the same is on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Koochiching County, Minnesota;

containing 0.43 acre, more or less, of which 0.26 acre is encumbered by an existing highway easement.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:

Meriwether Minnesota Land & Timber LLC, formerly known as Boise Minnesota Land & Timber, LLC
Fee

State of Minnesota
Department of Revenue
Possible Claimant of an Interest

Boise Cascade Company, successor in interest by corporate merger, consolidation, amendment, or conversion to Boise Cascade, LLC
Easement

County of Koochiching
Taxes

WHEREFORE, Your petitioner prays that commissioners be appointed to appraise the damages which may be occasioned by such taking, and that such proceedings may be had herein as are provided by law.

Dated: 11/13/13

Respectfully submitted,
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MINN. STAT. § 549.211

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The party or parties on whose behalf the attached document is served acknowledge through their undersigned counsel that sanctions may be imposed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 549.211.

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OUTDOORS

DNR: WSI is 54

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Larry Petersen, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources International Falls area wildlife manager, reports that the winter severity index for the International Falls area was 54 on Wednesday.

The winter severity index is a general measure of winter conditions based on the premise that prolonged cold temperatures and deep snow can reduce overwinter survival of white-tailed deer. The winter severity index is a standardized number the DNR uses when considering impacts of the winter on deer. The WSI is calculated using temperature and snow depth in the period from Nov. 1 through April 30, or whenever winter ends. Every day the daily low temperature is zero

or less is one point, and every day the snow depth is 15 inches or deeper in an open aspen woods is one point. The points are added each week until winter ends.

Petersen reported the WSI for International Falls was 26 last year at this date, and 13 two years ago. The average WSI for this date is about 28. The area's harshest winter in the mid 90's had an index of 66 on this date.

The snow depth is around 16 inches in the International Falls vicinity. Deeper snow can be found south and east of here, reports Petersen.



Larry Petersen

Panel explores issues affecting hunting, fishing tradition

DNR STAFF REPORT

Minnesota's hunting and fishing tradition is facing unprecedented demographic challenges that will require new approaches to address declines in participation rates.

That's the essence of a new report compiled by a panel of hunting and fishing interests convened by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and Minnesota Outdoor Heritage Alliance (MOHA).

"Minnesota is in the enviable position of having hunting and angling participation rates double the national average," said Tom Landwehr, DNR commissioner. "Yet challenges are ahead. That's because young Minnesotans aren't hunting and fishing at the levels of previous generations, long-time Baby Boom hunters and anglers are des-

tinued to drop out, and future population growth will be driven largely by ethnic cultures that do not have long-held Minnesota-based hunting and fishing traditions."

Hunting and fishing are important to the state's economy. Minnesota hunters and anglers spend \$3.3 billion within and out of Minnesota, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 2011 national survey of hunting, fishing and wildlife recreation. Hunting and fishing support 48,000 Minnesota jobs and the additional benefits of connecting people with nature, promoting conservation, and providing healthy outdoor exercise.



Tom Landwehr

ICE, TRAIL CONDITION REPORTS

IVSC

The following is the most recent trail report posted on the International Voyageurs Snowmobile Club website at <http://www.ridetheborder.com/trail-report.html>

The weather man says we could get up to 6-7" of snow on the next couple days. Lets hope! All the trails are groomed and ready for a great weekend. John will have the Family Loop ready also. Mike ward says the Chain of Lakes is also ready. Get out and enjoy the weekend either at Ice Box Days or on the trail. Have fun and ride safe.

VNP

All snowmobile trails in Voyageurs National Park are open and staked. Snowmobile trails are in good condition with some drifting on larger lake surfaces.

The snowmobile speed limit within the park is 45 mph on frozen lake surfaces and 25 mph on all overland portages. Speed limit signs are posted at trailheads and overland portages.

The Rainy Lake Ice Road is open around Dryweed Island and up to Dove Bay. The Kabetogama Lake Ice Road is currently closed, but plowing has begun; the road could tentatively be open by Friday.

To reduce hazards to snowmobile users, all ice blocks are to be immediately chopped up, submerged, or hauled to land. Placement of equipment or any type of structure must be more than 50 feet off the edge of all ice roads and 50 feet off the centerline of all snowmobile trails. Written authorization from the park is required for individuals to plow more than 300 feet on any lake surfaces within the park.

All snowshoe trails are open. Echo Bay, Black Bay, and Tilson Connector ski trails are all open, packed, and tracked.

The Rainy Lake Visitor Center is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During business hours, the visitor center offers maps, information, hot cocoa, snowshoe loans, and cross-country ski rentals.

Weekly winter trail conditions reports are available at www.nps.gov/voya.

Snowmobile trails
■ International Falls to Kettle Falls (Purple Trail) – Open and staked

■ Rainy Lake/Black Bay to Kabetogama Lake to Ash River (Green Trail) – Open and staked

■ Ash River to Crane Lake (Green Trail) – Open and staked

■ Chain of Lakes (Dashed Black Trail) – Open and staked

■ Ash River to Kettle Falls (Yellow Trail) – Open and staked

■ East Namakan Lake to Sand Point Lake (Blue Trail) – Open and staked

Ice roads
■ Rainy Lake Ice Road – Open around Dryweed Island and to Dove Bay

■ Kabetogama Lake Ice Road – Closed, but could tentatively be open by Friday

Ski Trails
■ Echo Bay Ski Trail – Open, packed, and tracked

■ Black Bay Ski Trail – Open, packed, and tracked

■ Tilson Connector Trail – Open, packed, and tracked

■ KabAsh Trail – Open

Snowshoe trails
■ Black Bay Beaver Pond Trail – Open

■ Blind Ash Bay Trail – Open

■ Oberholtzer Trail – Open and packed

■ Sullivan Bay Trail – Open and packed