

## File G 2644- Racine County 26.95 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger 58.5 acre acquisition for \$9,000 in 1972. It is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat project and is located in the Town of Burlington in Racine County. The parcel was purchased for its high quality upland game and waterfowl habitat near the Fox River.

An unnamed stream/drainage way flows along the eastern boundary of the parcel, providing approximately 720 feet of one bank frontage.

The Town of Burlington 2035 Land Use Plan includes this parcel in the Primary Environmental Corridor (PEC), as park and recreation lands. The Southeast Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) recommends under the plan that wherever possible government agencies or communities should purchase and protect PEC's.

Burlington has been identified under the Upper Mississippi River and Great Lakes Region Joint Venture – Wisconsin Plan as a habitat focus area for the protection, enhancement and restoration of wetlands for the benefit of waterfowl and other wildlife.

The public can access the property from Hoosier Creek Road, which runs through the western edge of the parcel. The parcel is used by the public primarily for deer and waterfowl hunting. The Pishtaka Wildlife Society, a local conservation club, has obtained a permit to stock pheasants on the parcel for several years.

The Department has invested in the construction and maintenance of a 5 car gravel parking lot and property signing/posting.

The Department recommends retaining this parcel.

