

## File G 2909– Dane County 41.11 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for \$9,696 in 1973 as part of a 3 parcel purchase. The block of parcels was purchased in order to preserve and protect critical wetlands necessary for nesting, roosting and wintering pheasants as well as other small game species in a developing area. The parcel is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat project and is located in the Town of Cottage Grove in Dane County.

The habitat on the parcel is mainly disturbed wet meadow. There are numerous ditches running through the property.

The parcel can be accessed through other Department lands via an access strip off of Laudon Road. The primary public use of the parcel is for deer hunting in the fall.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel has occasionally had the reed canary grass mowed.

There is a timber harvest scheduled for the property.

The Department recommends retaining this parcel.

