

Parent File W 325/Sale File WM 60410 – Fond Du Lac County 80.94 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for \$32,000 in 1981. The parcel is part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat project and is located in the Town of Marshfield in Fond du Lac County. The parcel is mostly wetland and was purchased for wildlife habitat management and public recreation.

The Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) shows Slippershell Mussel and Blanding Turtle on the property. Vegetation is dominated by canary grass, cattail and bottomland hardwoods.

The parcel is accessible to the public via Walnut Road which runs along the entire western edge of the parcel and County Highway CCC which runs through the southwest corner of the parcel.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements to the parcel.

A 280 acre Calvary Marsh owned by the County is located 3/4 miles south of the parcel and a canoe launch one mile south on County CCC. This parcel may fit in to the management objective of the Town or County.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be offered first to the Town of Marshfield and Fond du Lac County, subject to deed restrictions requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity. And then secondly be offered for sale to the general public.



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