



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Date:** May 19, 2016**Contact: Katie Bobich****Phone:** (218) 824-1002**Comments Posted on Mississippi River Northwoods Trail Application**

Crow Wing County has posted public comments submitted as part of the County's review process of an application to designate a multi-use recreation trail on public land East of Brainerd known as the Mississippi River Northwoods property.

The 105 comments received by the County during a 30-day public comment period, along with responses from the County Land Services Department, can be viewed at www.crowwing.us and searching "Trail Proposals".

Copies of the public comments and responses also are available from the Land Services Department located at 322 Laurel Street in Brainerd during the business hours of 8am to 5pm, or by contacting the Department at (218) 824-1010.

The next step in the County's five step trail evaluation process is a review by the County Natural Resource Advisory Committee. The committee meets on May 23, 2016 at 9:30 am in Meeting Rooms 1 and 2 in the Land Services Building. Final review of the trail proposal will be by the County Board at a meeting in June.

The County manages 105,000 acres of forest land for timber production and diverse recreational opportunities for multiple users. The sale of timber at public auctions during the year funds the county's management of these lands, while providing revenues to local communities. County forest lands are managed to strict environmental standards established by both the Sustainable Forestry Initiative™ and the Forest Stewardship Council™ certification standards.

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