

## Chapter NR 11

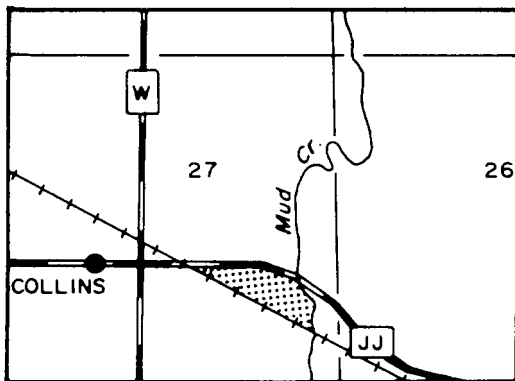
### CLOSED AREAS

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NR 11.043	Waterfowl closed area; deer hunting permitted.	NR 11.13	Public lands closed area.

**Note:** Chapter NR 11 as it existed on October 31, 1982 was repealed and a new chapter NR 11 was created effective November 1, 1982.

**NR 11.01 Waterfowl closed area.** A closed season is established in the following areas as posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal thereon during the open seasons on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01. Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved by dog or hand.

(1) MANITOWOC COUNTY. (a) *Collins marsh.* Township 19 north, range 21 east, town of Rockland.

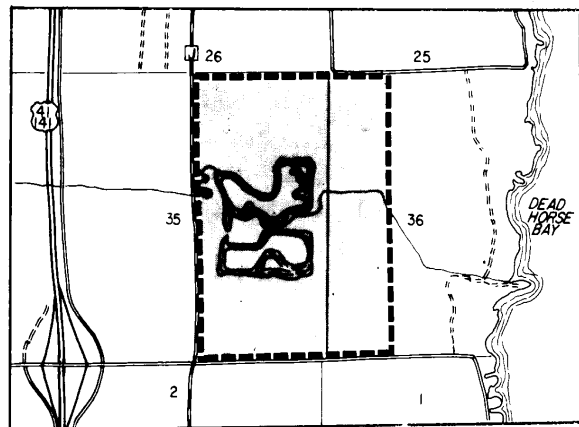


**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; am. (2) (a), Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; r. (3), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; renun. (1) to be NR 11.02 (1), Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; cr. (1), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89; CR 10-020: r. (2) Register October 2010 No. 658, eff. 11-1-10.

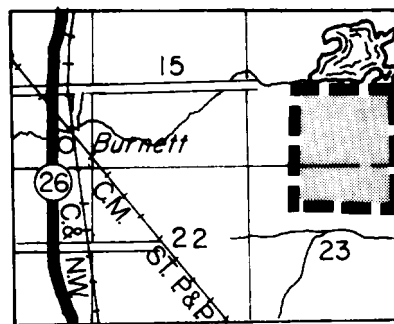
**NR 11.02 Waterfowl closed area except gun deer and special goose hunting.** A closed season is established in the following areas as posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal thereon, except Canada geese on areas and during periods established in s. NR 10.23, and deer during periods established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) and (es), during the open seasons on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01

(1). Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved from such areas by dog or hand.

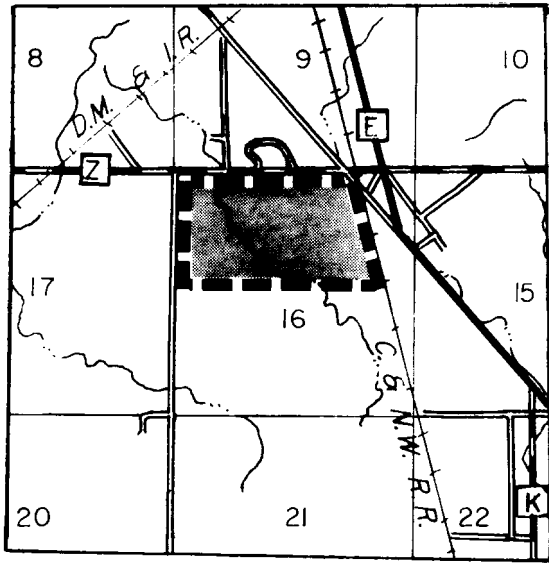
(1) BROWN COUNTY. (a) *Barkhausen.* Township 25 north, range 20 east, town of Suamico.



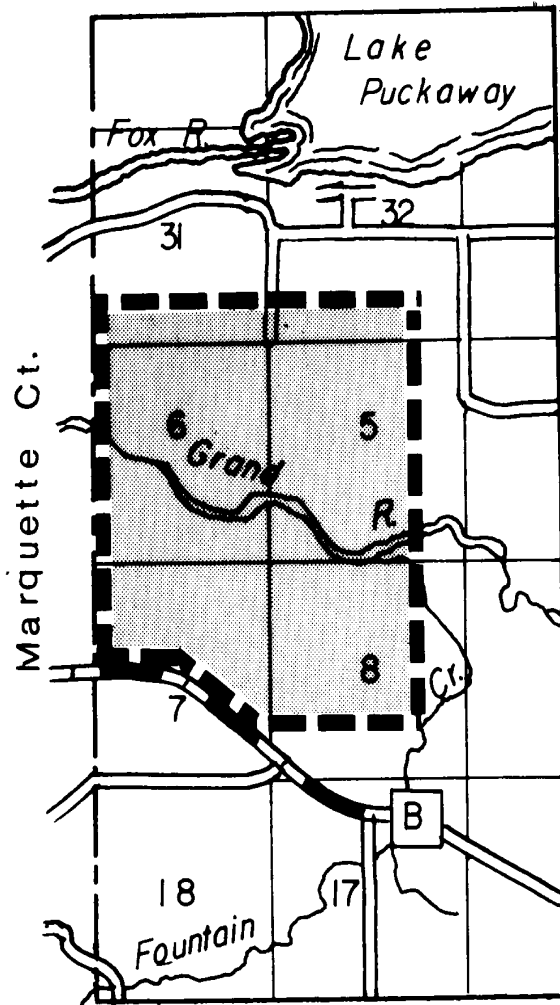
(3) DODGE COUNTY. (a) *Burnett Ditch.* Township 12 north, range 15 east, town of Burnett.



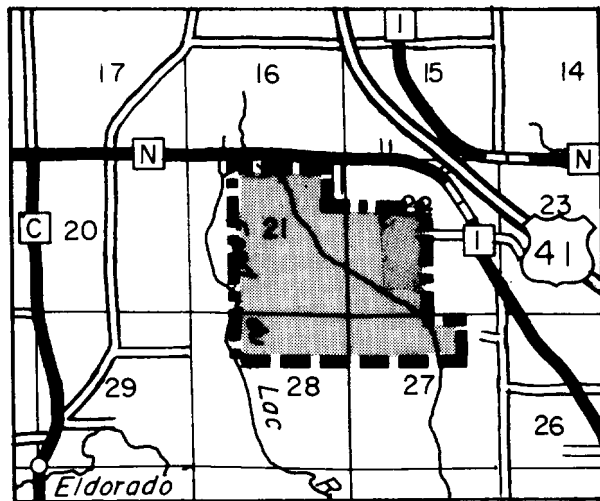
(4) DOUGLAS COUNTY. (a) *Douglas county hospital fields.* Township 48 north, range 13 west, town of Packland.



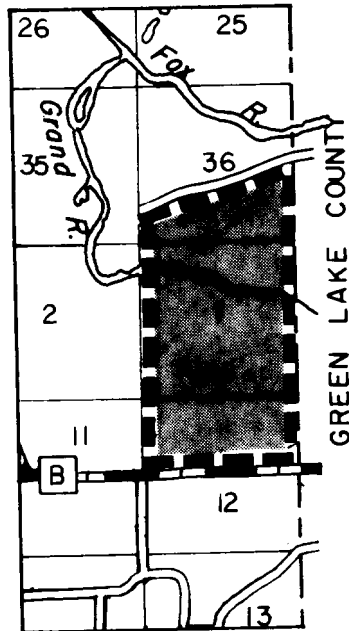
(6) GREEN LAKE COUNTY. (a) *Grand River.* Township 15 north, range 11 east, town of Marquette.



(5) FOND DU LAC COUNTY. (a) *Eldorado Marsh.* Township 16 north, range 16 east, town of Eldorado.



(7) MARQUETTE COUNTY. (a) *Grand River*. Township 15 north, range 10 east, town of Montello.



**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; am. (intro.), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; renum. (1) to (7) to be (2) to (3) and r. and recr. (5), (1) renum. from NR 11.01 (1), Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; am. (intro.), Register, September, 1998, No. 513, eff. 10-1-98; r. (2) (a), Register, September, 2000, No. 537, eff. 5-1-01; CR 15-024; r. (8) Register November 2015 No. 719, eff. 2-1-16.

**NR 11.03 Waterfowl closed area.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal thereon during the open season on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) and (g). Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved from such areas by dog or hand.

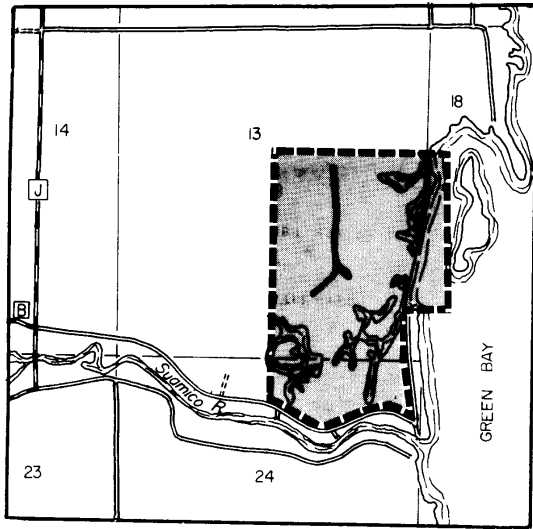
(1) MARINETTE COUNTY. (a) *Peshigo Harbor*. Township 29 north, range 23 east, town of Peshigo.



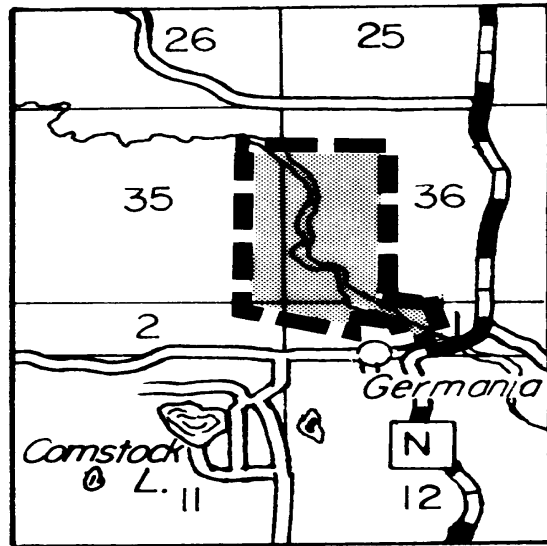
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**NR 11.031 Waterfowl closed area; trapping permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt any species of wild animal thereon during the open season on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) and (g). Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved from such areas by dog or hand.

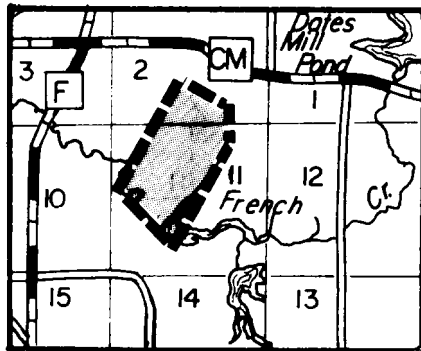
(1) BROWN COUNTY. (a) *Sensiba*. Township 25 north, range 20 east, town of Suamico.



(9) MARQUETTE COUNTY. (a) *Germania*. Township 17 north, range 10 east, town of Crystal Lake.



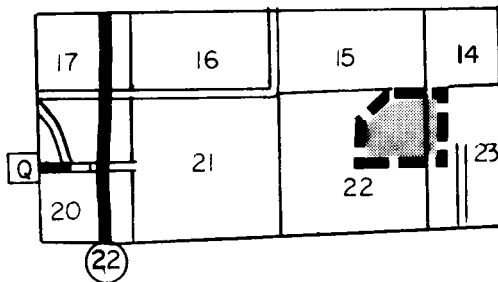
(3) COLUMBIA COUNTY. (a) *French Creek*. Township 13 north, range 9 east, town of Ft. Winnebago.



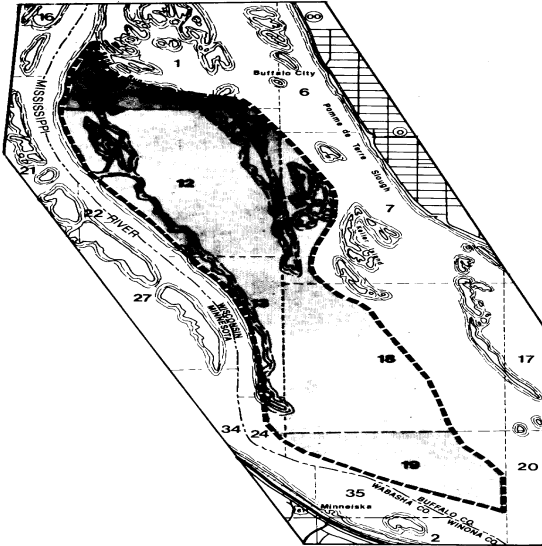
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**NR 11.032 Mississippi river closed area.** A closed season is established in the following areas which are posted with U.S. fish and wildlife service signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal at any time except that hunting or trapping is allowed for all species but ducks and geese during the seasons established in s. NR 10.01, but only from the day after the final closure of the duck season as established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b), until June 15. Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved from these areas by dog or hand.

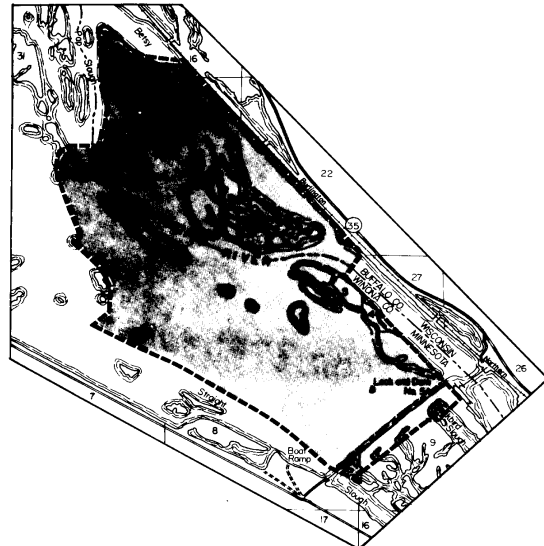
(b) *Mud lake*. Township 11 north, range 10 east, town of Lowville.



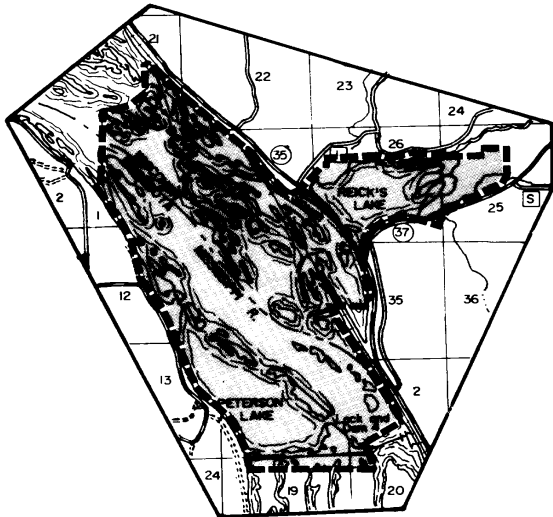
(1) BUFFALO COUNTY. (a) *Lost Island (Pool 5)*. Township 20 north, range 12 west, town of Belvidere and township 20 north, range 13 west, town of Waumandee.



(d) *Winona pool (Pool 5)*. Township 19 north, range 12 west, town of Buffalo.



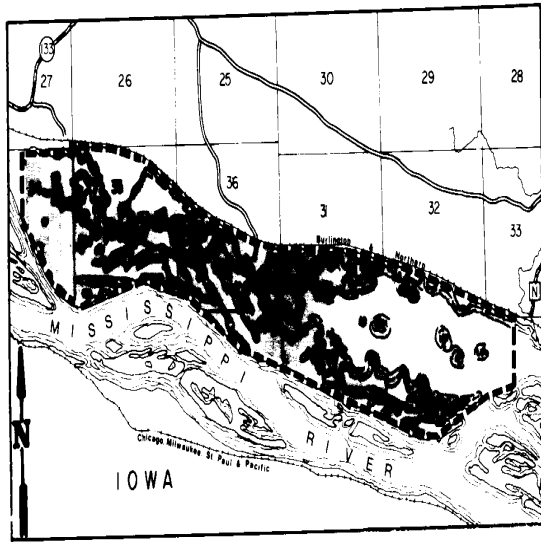
(c) *Peterson's and Reich's Lake (Pool 4)*. Township 21 north, range 13 west, town of Alma, and township 22 north, range 13 west, town of Nelson.



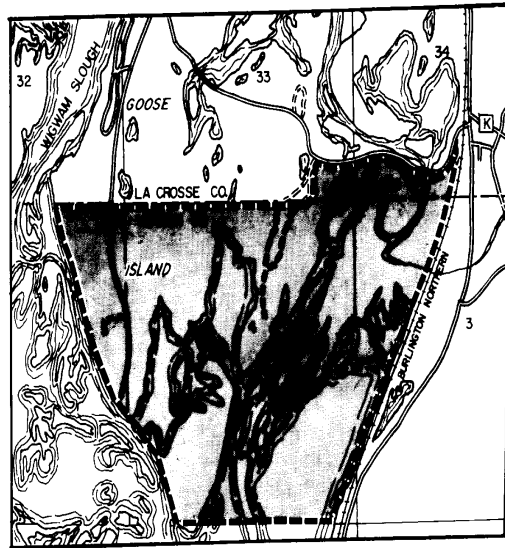
(2) CRAWFORD COUNTY. (a) *Harpers slough (Pool 9)*. Township 9 north, range 6 west, town of Seneca.



(3) GRANT COUNTY. (a) *Dago slough (Pool 11)*. Township 2 north, range 4 west, town of Seneca.



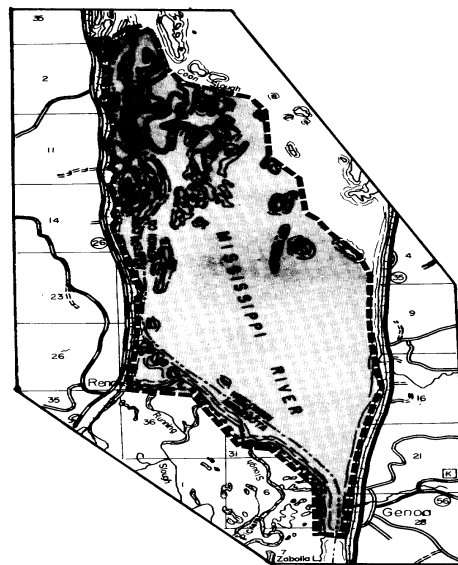
(5) VERNON COUNTY. (a) *Goose island (Pool 8)*. Township 14 north, range 7 west, town of Bergen.



(4) LA CROSSE COUNTY. (a) *La Crosse (Pool 7)*. Township 16 north, range 8 west, town of Campbell, and township 17 north, range 8 west, town of Onalaska.



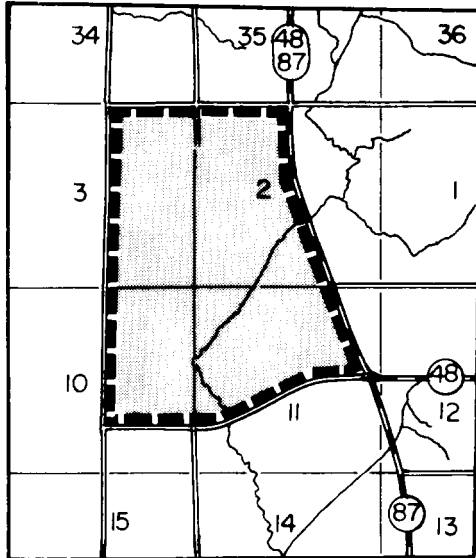
(b) *Wisconsin island (Pool 8)*. Township 13 north, range 7 west, towns of Bergen and Genoa; and township 14 north, range 7 west, town of Bergen.



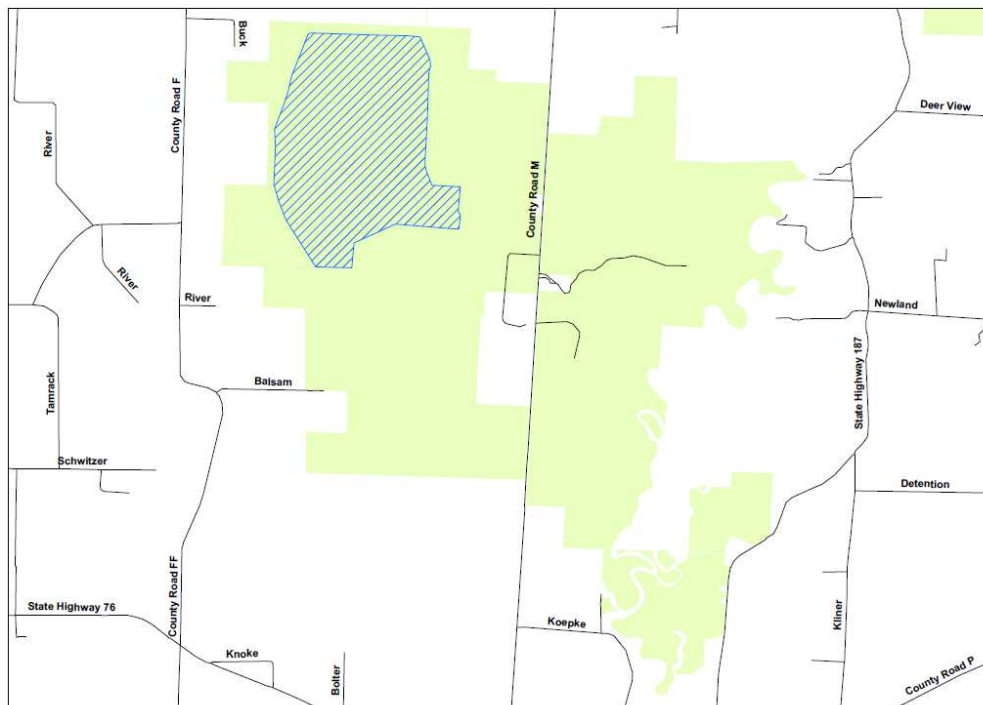
**History:** Renum. from NR 11.031 (2), (4), (5), (7) and (10), cr. intro. Register, September, 1991, No. 429, eff. 10-1-91; am. (intro.), Register, October, 1997, No. 502, eff. 11-1-97; CR 09-015: r. (1) (b) Register October 2009 No. 646, eff. 11-1-09.

**NR 11.04 Waterfowl closed area; gun deer hunting permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal thereon, except deer during periods established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) and (es), during the open season on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) and (g). Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved from such areas by dog or hand.

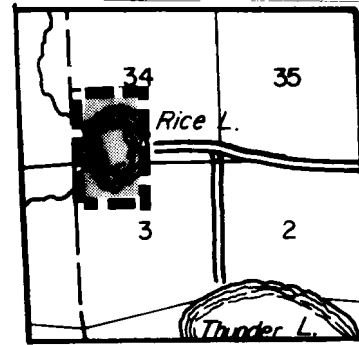
(1) BURNETT COUNTY. (a) *Fish Lake wildlife area.* Township 37 north, range 19 west, town of Anderson.



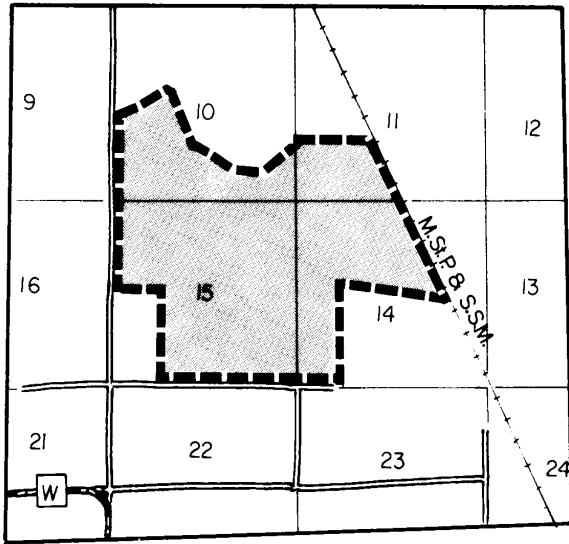
(3m) OUTAGAMIE COUNTY. (a) *Wolf River Bottomlands Natural Resources Area.*



(3) ONEIDA COUNTY. (a) *Rice Lake.* Township 38 north, range 10 east, and township 39 north, range 10 east, town of Three Lakes.



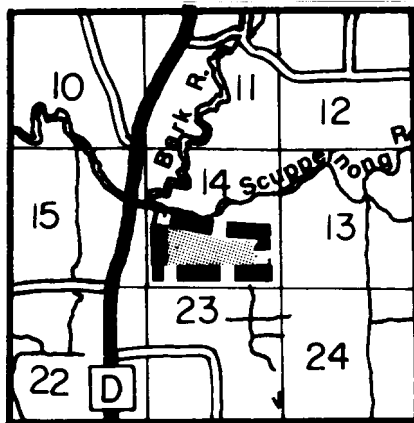
(4) SHAWANO COUNTY. (a) *Navarino*. Township 25 north, range 16 east, town of Navarino.



**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; r. and recr. Register, March 1984, No. 339, eff. 4-1-84; r. (2), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; r. and recr. (5), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; renum. (5) to be NR 15.022 (11), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88; am. (intro.), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89; renum. (5) from NR 11.03 (3), Register, July 1995, No. 475, eff. 8-1-95; renum. (5) to be NR 15.024 (3), Register, July, 1997, No. 499, eff. 8-1-97; am. (intro.), Register, September, 1998, No. 513, eff. 10-1-98; CR 15-024; cr. (3m) Register November 2015 No. 719, eff. 2-1-16.

**NR 11.041 Waterfowl closed area; trapping and gun deer hunting permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt any species of wild animal thereon, except deer during periods established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) and (es), during the open season on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) and (g). Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved from such areas by dog or hand.

(1) JEFFERSON COUNTY. (a) *Prince's Point*. Township 5 north, range 15 east, town of Cold Spring.

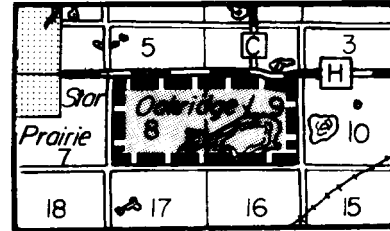


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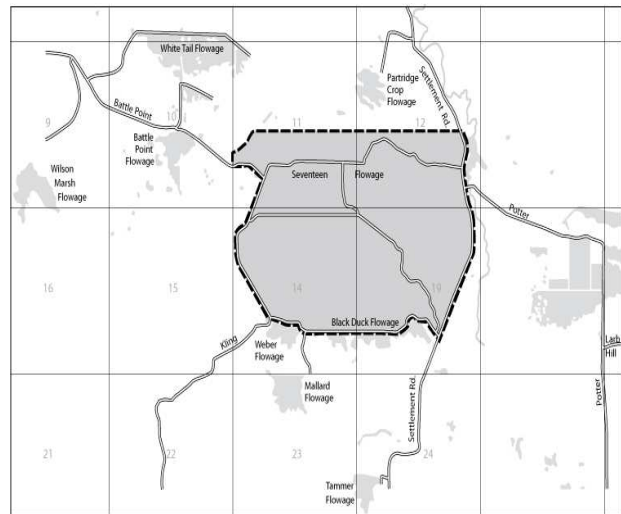
**NR 11.042 Waterfowl closed area; trapping and deer hunting permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. Trapping of furbearing mammals is permitted during established seasons. No person may hunt any species of wild animal, except deer during periods

established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e), (em), (ep), and (es), during the open season on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) and (g). Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved by dog or hand.

(1) ST. CROIX COUNTY. (a) *Oakridge Lake*. Township 31 north, range 17 west, town of Stanton.



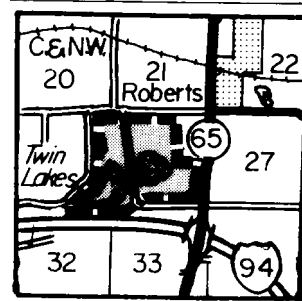
(2) JACKSON COUNTY. (a) *Dike 17*. Township 21 north, range 2 west, town of Millston.



**History:** Cr. (intro.), (1) renum. from NR 11.041 (2), Register, October, 1986, No. 370, eff. 11-1-86; am. (intro.), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89; am. (intro.), Register, September, 1998, No. 513, eff. 10-1-98; CR 09-015; cr. (2) Register October 2009 No. 646, eff. 2-1-10; EmR1420; emerg. am. (intro.), eff. 9-12-14; CR 13-071; am. (intro.) Register July 2015 No. 715, eff. 8-1-15.

**NR 11.043 Waterfowl closed area; deer hunting permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal, except deer during the periods established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e), (em), (ep), and (es), during the open season on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) and (g). Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved by dog or hand.

(1) ST. CROIX COUNTY. (a) *Twin lakes*. Township 29 north, range 18 west, town of Warren.



**History:** Cr. (intro.), (1) renum. from 11.011 (2), Register, November, 1995, No. 479, eff. 4-1-96; am. (intro.), Register, September, 1998, No. 513, eff. 10-1-98; EmR1420; emerg. am. (intro.), eff. 9-12-14; CR 13-071; am. (intro.) Register July 2015 No. 715, eff. 8-1-15.

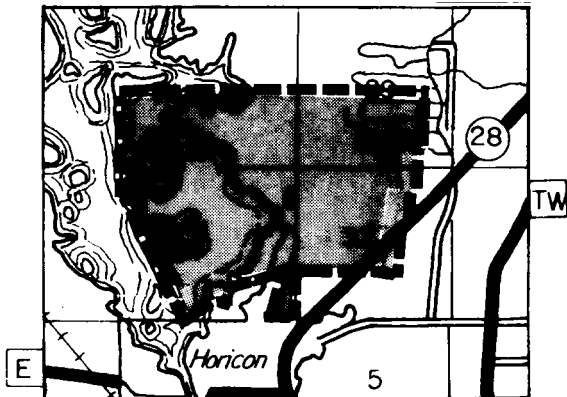


**NR 11.044 Early waterfowl hunting season closed area.** A closed season is established at the Mead wildlife area. No person may hunt waterfowl until the beginning of the duck season established in s. NR 10.01 (1), except that hunting is allowed on the dates of the youth duck hunt established in s. NR 10.01 (1) by all people who may legally hunt waterfowl on those dates.

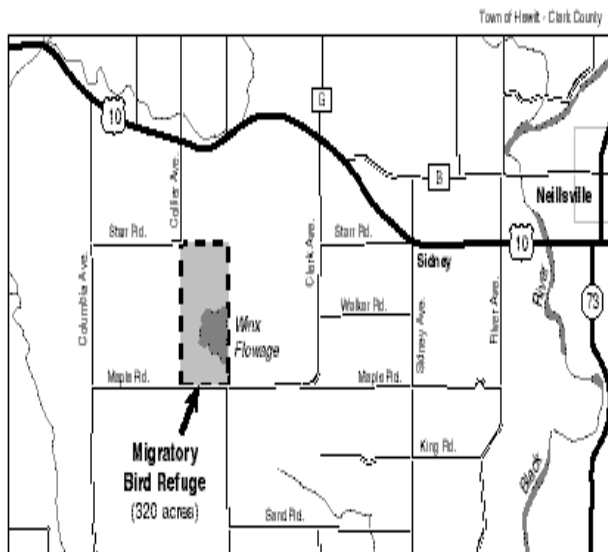
**History:** CR 09-015: cr. Register October 2009 No. 646, eff. 2-1-10; CR 15-052: am. Register January 2016 No. 721, eff. 2-1-16.

**NR 11.05 Migratory bird closed area; trapping permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas as posted with department signs and no person may hunt migratory birds thereon at any time. Legally killed or crippled game may be retrieved by dog or hand.

(1) DODGE COUNTY. (a) *Horicon Marsh wildlife area.* Township 12 north, range 16 east, town of Williamstown.



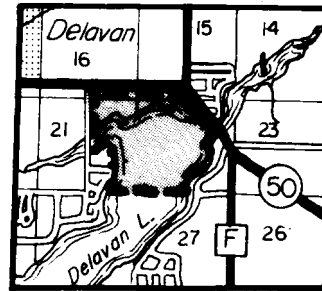
(2) CLARK COUNTY. (a) *Winx Flowage area.* East 1/2 of township 24 north, range 3 west, section 24, town of Hewett.



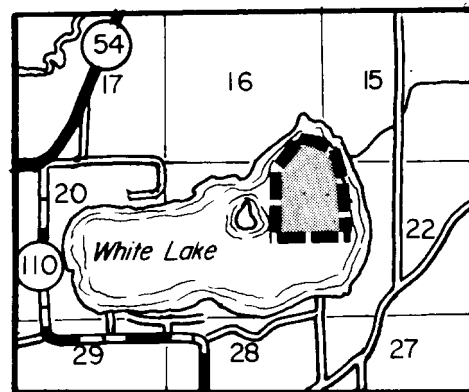
**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; am. (intro.), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; cr. (2), Register, September, 2000, No. 537, eff. 5-1-01.

**NR 11.06 Lake closed area; trapping permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt or disturb waterfowl during the open seasons or disturb waterfowl during the open seasons on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1).

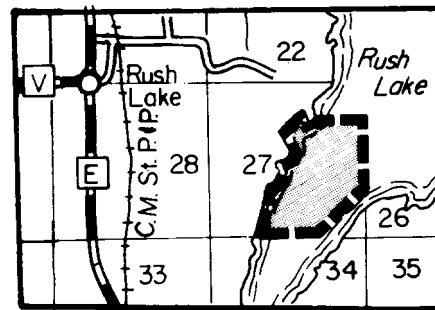
(1) WALWORTH COUNTY. (a) *Delavan Lake.* Township 2 north, range 16 east, town of Delavan.



(3) WAUPACA COUNTY. (a) *White Lake.* Township 22 north, range 13 east, town of Royalton.



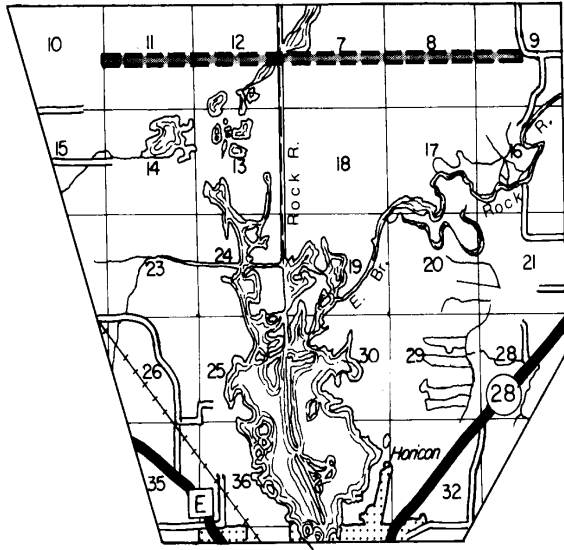
(4) WINNEBAGO COUNTY. (a) *Rush Lake.* Township 17 north, range 14 east, town of Rushford.



**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; r. (2), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

**NR 11.07 Waterfowl retrieving zone.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal thereon, except deer hunting during the periods established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e), during the open seasons on waterfowl established in s. NR 10.01 (1). Legally killed or crippled waterfowl may be retrieved by dog or hand.

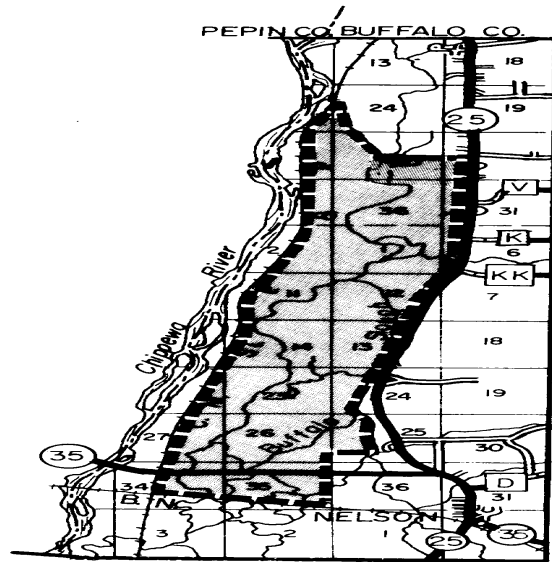
(1) **DODGE COUNTY.** (a) *Horicon Marsh.* Township 12 north, range 16 east, town of Williams-town.



History: Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82.

**NR 11.09 Beaver/otter closed area.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may trap beaver or otter thereon at any time.

(1) **BUFFALO COUNTY.** (a) *Tiffany wildlife area.* Township 23 north, range 13 west, town of Nelson; township 23 north, range 14 west, town of Nelson; township 24 north, range 13 west, town of Maxville; and township 24 north, range 14 west, town of Maxville.



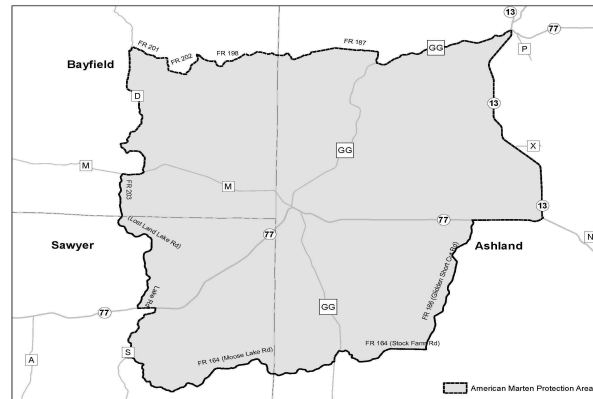
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**NR 11.10 American Marten protection areas.**

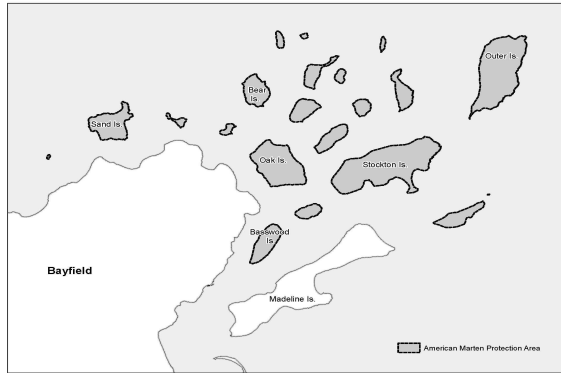
(1) **DEFINITION.** In this section “pan tension” means the amount of weight that, when applied to the trap pan of a jawed trap, will result in activation of the trap.

(2) **ESTABLISHMENT.** No person may trap any species of wild animal in the following marten protection closed areas at any time unless trapping with the equipment identified in sub. (3):

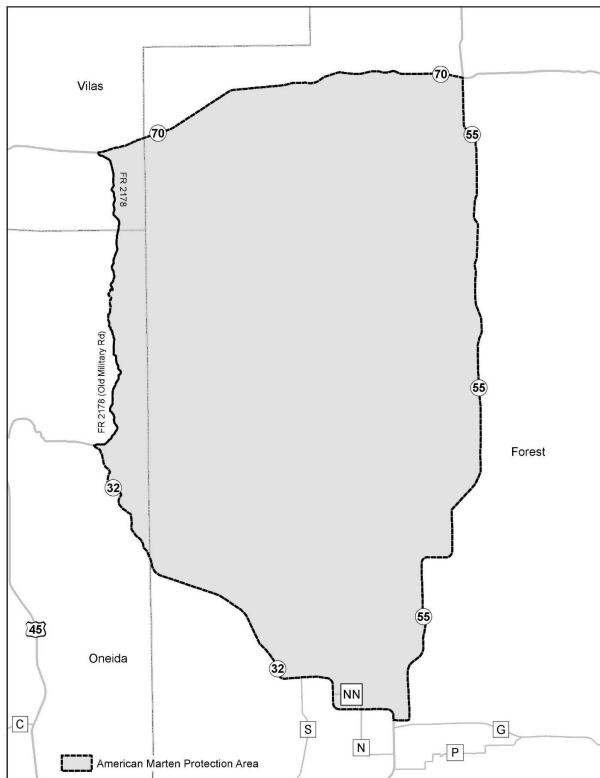
(a) The Clam Lake area within Ashland, Bayfield, and Sawyer Counties.



(b) The Apostle Islands area within Ashland and Bayfield Counties.



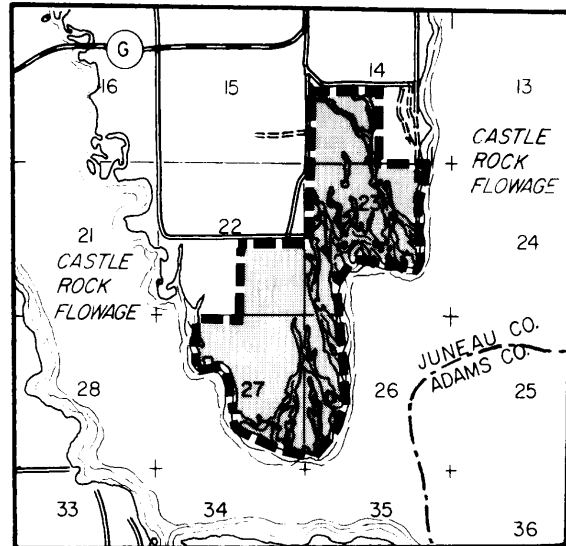
(c) The Pine River area within Forest, Oneida, and Vilas Counties.



No. 513, eff. 10-1-98; CR 08-011: am. (title) and (intro.) Register September 2008 No. 633, eff. 2-1-09; CR 16-035: am. (intro.) Register July 2017 No. 739, eff. 8-1-17; CR 19-008: r and recr. Register April 2020 No. 772, eff. 5-1-20.

**NR 11.11 Deer closed area; trapping permitted.** A closed season is established in the following areas posted with department signs. No person may hunt any species of wild animal thereon, except waterfowl during periods established in s. NR 10.01 (1), during the open gun deer season established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e). In addition, a closed season is established for archery and crossbow hunting of deer beginning the Saturday immediately following the close of gun deer season and continuing through December 31.

(1) JUNEAU COUNTY. (a) *Buckhorn wildlife area.* Township 17 north, range 4 east, town of Germantown.



**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; EmR1420: emerg. am. (intro.), eff. 9-12-14; CR 13-071: am. (intro.) Register July 2015 No. 715, eff. 8-1-15.

(3) AUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT IN A MARTEN PROTECTION CLOSED AREA. The following traps may be used for trapping within a marten protection closed area:

- (a) Cage or box trap or cable restraint in compliance with s. NR 10.13.
- (b) Sets placed for weasels in compliance with s. NR 10.13 (3)
- (d).

**Note:** This type of set is commonly referred to as a weasel box.

(c) Jawed trap as a non-submersion set within the areas identified in sub. (2) (a) and (c) having a pan tension of no less than 4 pounds.

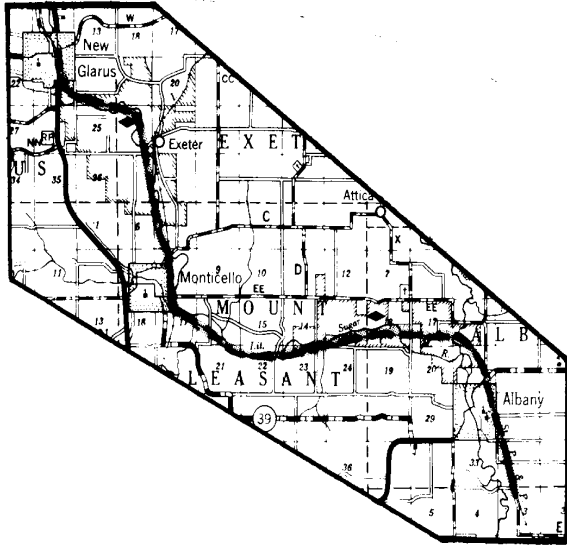
**Note:** Pan tension is frequently modified through the use of commercially adjustable pans, sheer pins, springs, spring steel, or foam.

(d) Jawed traps, enclosed trigger traps, snares, or body-gripping type traps as authorized under s. NR 10.13 being used as watersets during the open seasons established in s. NR 10.01 (4).

**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; r. and recr. (1), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; am. (intro.), Register, September, 1998,

**NR 11.12 State trail closed areas.** A closed season is established on the following areas as posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animal thereon beginning February 1 and continuing through the Friday preceding the Saturday nearest October 17, both dates inclusive.

(1) GREEN COUNTY. (a) *Sugar River state trail.*



**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; am. Register, March, 1984, No. 339, eff. 4-1-84.

**NR 11.13 Public lands closed area.** The department may establish closed season areas by posting signs within the exterior limits of public hunting grounds, state wildlife areas and other state-owned or leased lands administered for wildlife management purposes. No person may hunt or trap any species of wild animals except as authorized by posted department signs posted on the lands.

**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; r. and recr. Register, May, 1993, No. 449, eff. 6-1-93; emerg. am., eff. 8-12-96.