140 Laker Drive Shell Lake, WI 54871 November 18, 2006

Rep. Mary Hubler 75th. Assembly District P.O. Box 8952 State Capitol Madison, WI 53708

Dear Mary.

Congratulations on your election victory. You have another two years to serve the citizens of this area, bringing in industry and tourists.

I had planned to attend the joint Senate/Assembly Hearing at Merrill but the weather forecast suggested I stay home.

I was going to present a master concept of a multi-purpose recreation trail from Hudson to Ashland-Bayfield using the abandoned Chicago & Northestern Railway roadbed.

As you know, Pierce, St Croix and Polk are some of the fastest growing counties in Wisconsin. Incomes there average much greater then here in Washburn County. Of course those residents have more money for recreation and we in the North should cash in by providing a multi-purpose trail many I believe would use and of course spend money here.

I feel the Wisconsin Dept. of Tourism should survey this concept, maybe do a feasibility study. I realize this plan probably would be many years in the making, easements and property purchases take time.

Please present my letter for the record. I plan to watch progress for the greater N.W. Wisconsin.

Sincerely Vern Redlich Vernon Redlich