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Attachments: tree planting plan, topographic map, aerial photos, proposed alternative route.

Hello Bill

I am glad we had the chance to meet at the Fine Lakes town hall.

Barb and I are concerned that our property is not appropriate for the proposed Savanna power line project. We would like you to evaluate moving the line. The wetlands in the right of way have a unique abundance of wildlife that would be affected by construction and vegetation control. This spring some Sand hill cranes were in that area for some time. Only a few days ago, I noticed a bird that I can not identify, nesting in that area. It looked similar to a pheasant but with a long beak. We are amateur bird enthusiasts. I would recommend a wildlife survey be completed before moving ahead with the project.

We are working with Natural Resources Conservation Service to improve non-game wildlife. Cooperation with Great River Energy and their tree service has been difficult thus far.

We feel a more appropriate route would be on the North side of Hingeley road for one mile. There are no residences or buildings on that side of the road for the entire mile. The land is mostly corporate owned. The land is higher ground. We feel that the entities involved with this project would also gain in the long run, since there would be less conflict with a non-resident corporate land owner.

Another less desirable alternative would be combining the Lake Country Power distribution line as a distribution under build. This alternative may not be feasible with the entities involved, since that portion would also be a double circuit transmission line.

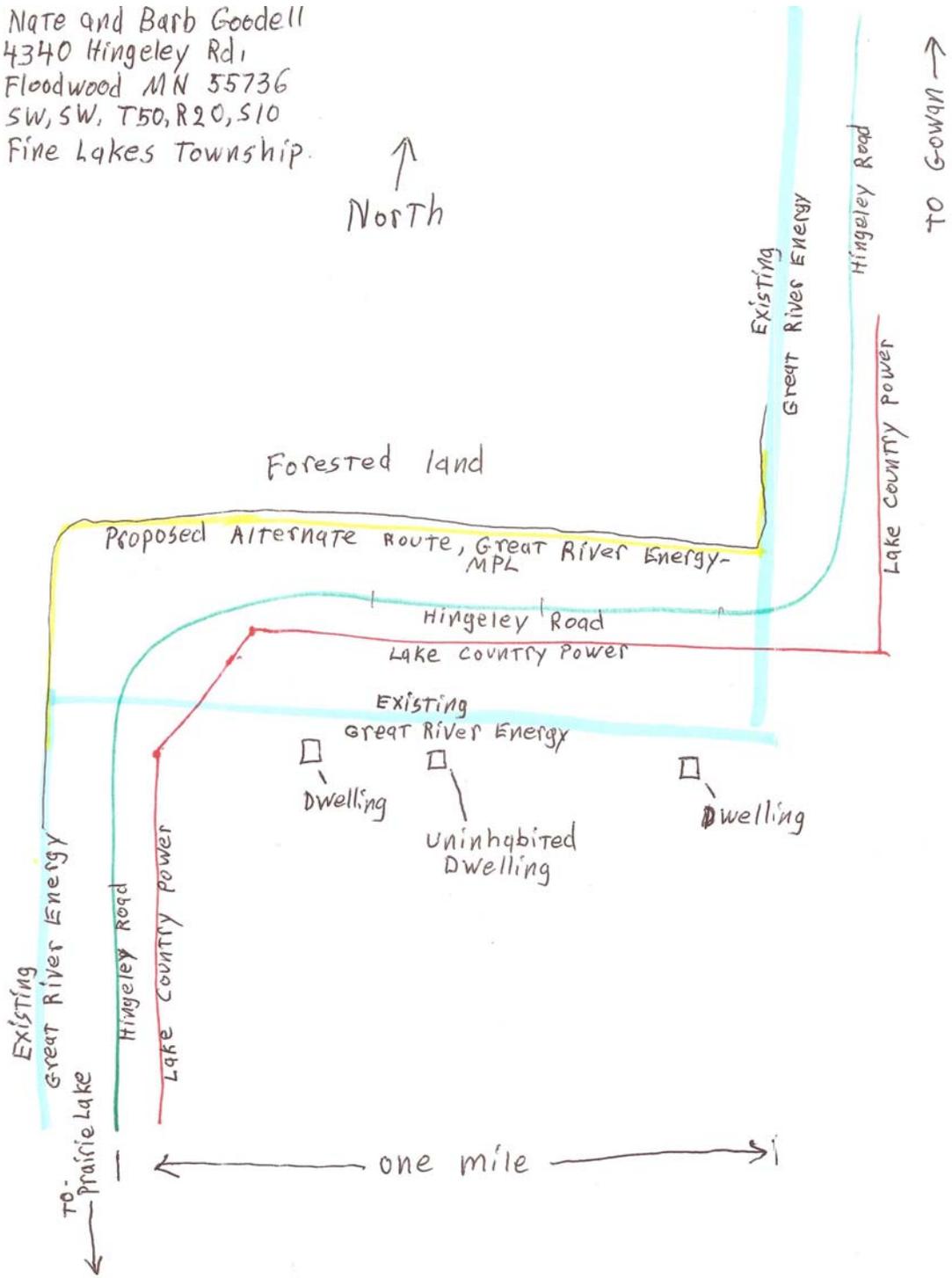
Bill, there are many other issues that may or may not be relevant to choosing an appropriate route. I can give you more details if you desire. I can mildly sum these issues up as land use conflicts. A very important point to consider is resident versus non resident land use.

Please acknowledge receipt of this email and include any comments you may have.

Sincerely,
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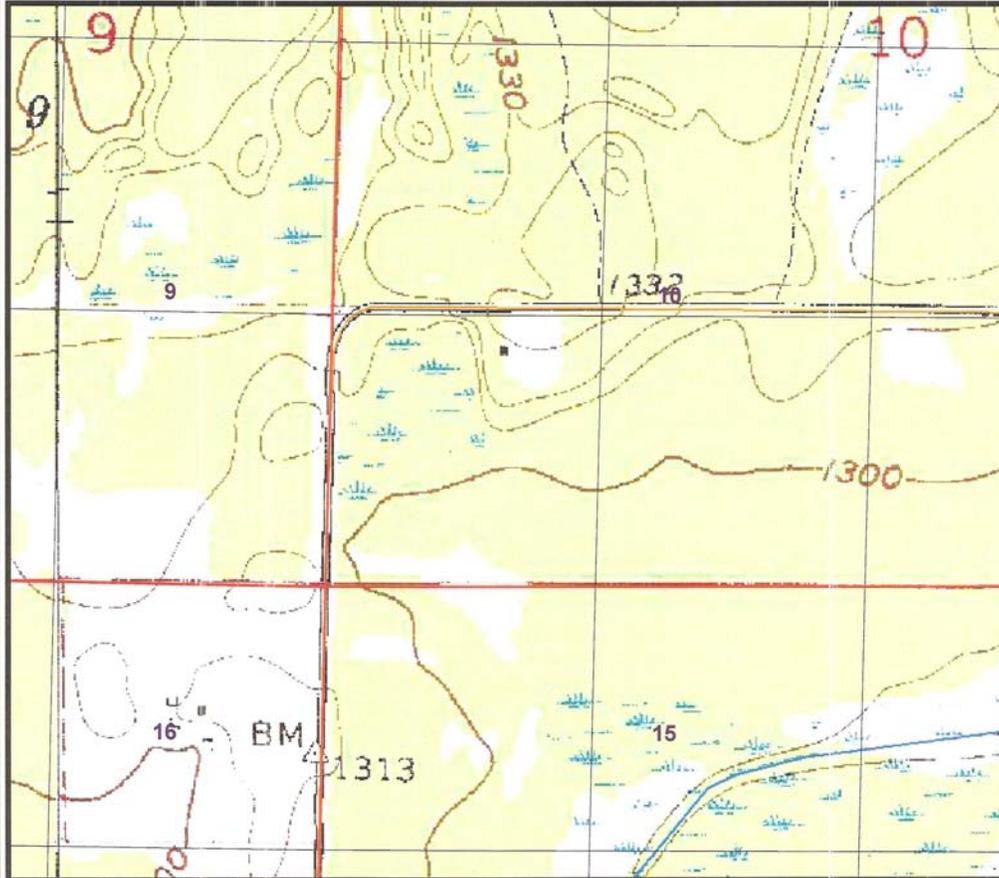
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Legend

-  Section
-  Lake
-  Stream
-  Highways
-  Roads
-  Railroads
-  Forty Lines

660 330 0 660 1,320 Feet

Projection: UTM NAD83 Zone 15



Location Map



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**Upland Wildlife Habitat Management #645
Tree Planting Plan**

Landowner

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Goals

To provide a visual screen from the road, provide dust control, and improve habitat for nongame wildlife.

Site Specifications and Inventory

This practice will take place on a 1.5 acre parcel of land in Fine Lakes Township, St. Louis County. See attached plan map for exact planting location. The soils on this site are flat to moderately sloping silt loams. They are moderately well drained. The potential for erosion is low due to the permanent vegetative cover already growing and the intended addition of trees and shrubs with minimal soil disturbance.

The site preparation, planting specifications, spacing and protection shall follow NRCS practice standards #645.

Layout

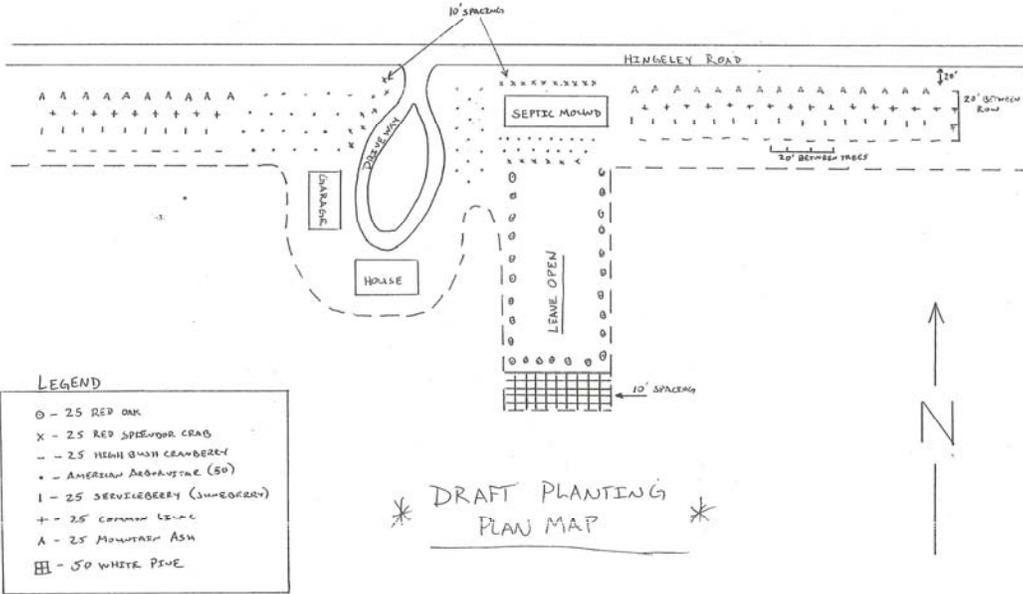
Your trees should be planted in the areas shown on the attached plan map. Follow the spacing and layout outlined in the detailed planting sketch. Some variation may be needed to account for conditions and existing vegetation or structures on site.

Site Preparation

Prep the area to be planted in mid-summer of 2006. Mow the planting areas low and allow to regrowth to 6-10 inches. Apply an herbicide labeled for forestry use (such as Accord Concentrate). Calibrate your sprayer according to label directions.

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Draft Planting Plan Map

FINE LAKES TOWNSHIP

Apr 20, 2006



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