

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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As you know, one of your instructions for this redraft was a request to include language specifying that the governor, under s. 20.914, stats., and the Natural Resources Board, under NR 1.41 of the administrative code, must approve the purchase by DNR of land from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands. I did not add this language to the draft because it is unnecessary. That is, because this draft requires DNR to obligate moneys to purchase land, and because s. 20.914, stats., provides that the purchase of land by a state agency is subject to review by the governor, it is not necessary to repeat this language in the draft. Furthermore, if the purchase requires review by the Natural Resources Board because it falls within the scope of NR 1.41, it is again not necessary to repeat this in the draft. With one exception, other current statutes concerning land purchases by the state do not cross-reference these provisions. Additionally, please note that under s. 23.14, stats., the governor must approve the proposed acquisition of lands for certain new facilities or projects.

If I have misunderstood your intent on this issue, please give me a call and I would be happy to discuss the matter with you and redraft as may be required.

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