Chapter NR 15

GAME REFUGES

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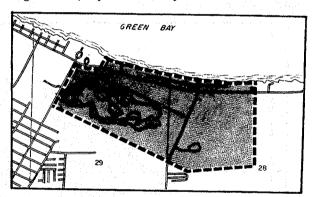
NR 15.11 Horicon marsh fur farm

NR 15.12 University arboretum NR 15.13 University bay

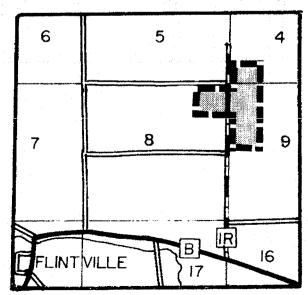
NR 15.14 Ferry bluff state natural area

NR 15.01 Year round game refuge. A game refuge is created in the following areas as posted with department signs and no person may hunt or trap upon such areas or have in possession or under control any gun or rifle unless the same are unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, or any bow unless it is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case.

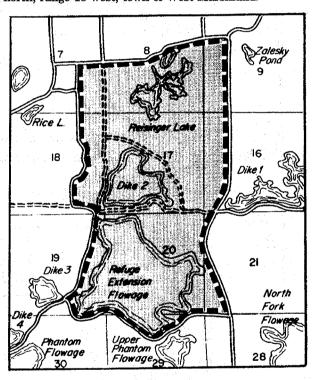
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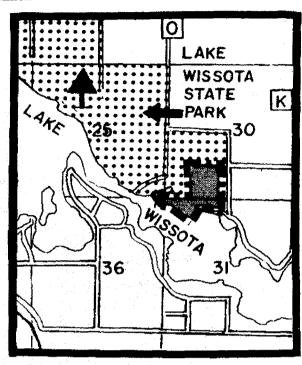
(b) Suamico. Township 25 north, range 20 east, town of Suamico.



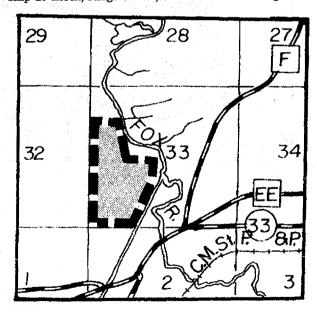
(2) BURNETT COUNTY. (a) Crex Meadows. Township 39 north, range 18 west, town of West Marshland.



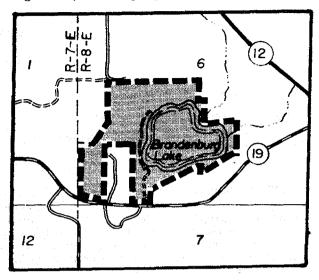
(3) CHIPPEWA COUNTY. (a) Wissota. Township 29 north, range 7 west and township 29 north, range 8 west, town of Anson.



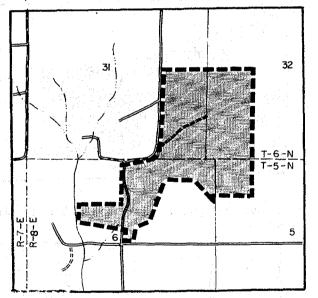
(4) COLUMBIA COUNTY (a) Indian Agency house. Township 13 north, range 9 east, town of Ft. Winnebago.



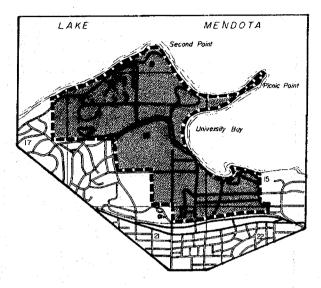
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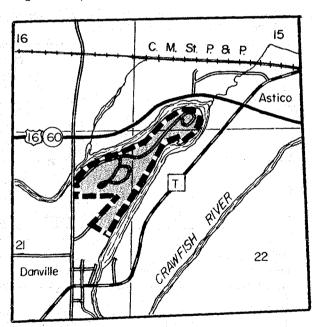
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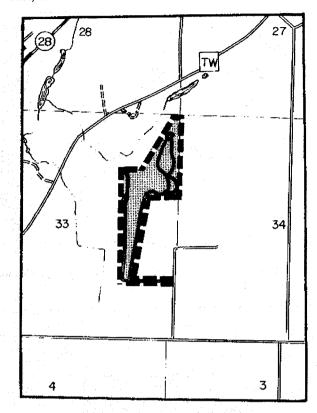
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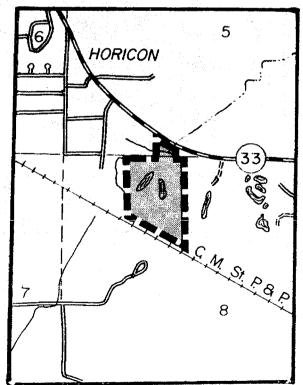
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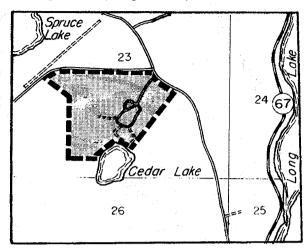
(b) Horicon Ledge Park. Township 12 north, range 16 east, town of Williamstown.



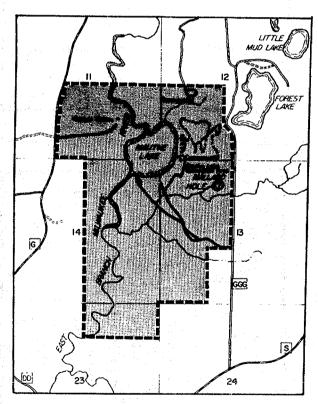
(c) *Horicon Public Schools*. Township 11 north, range 16 east, town of Hubbard.



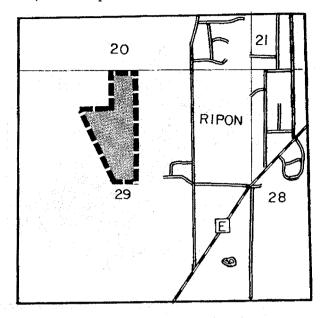
(7) FOND DU LAC COUNTY. (a) Cedar Lake Youth Camp. Township 14 north, range 19 east, town of Osceola.



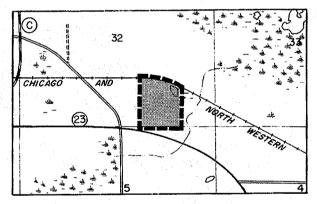
(b) Mauthe Lake. Township 13 north, range 19 east, town of Auburn.



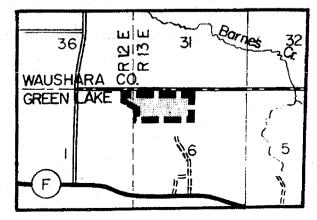
(c) South Woods Park. Township 16 north, range 14 east, town of Ripon.



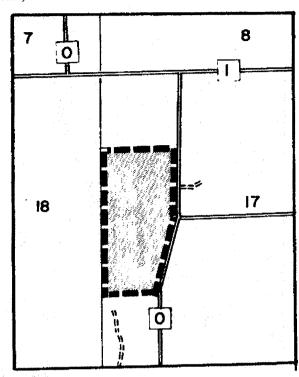
(d) Eldorado Outdoor Education Center. Township 16 north, range 16 east, town of Eldorado.



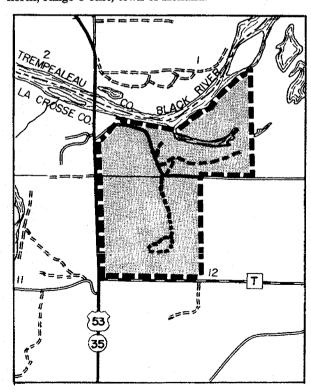
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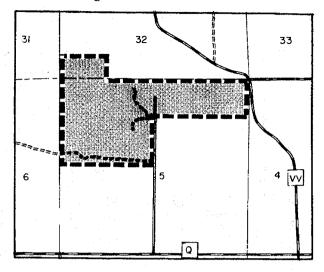
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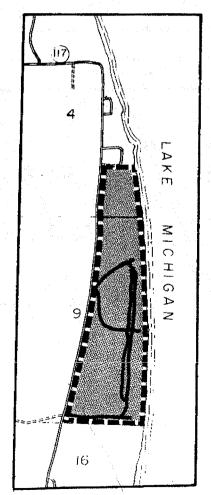
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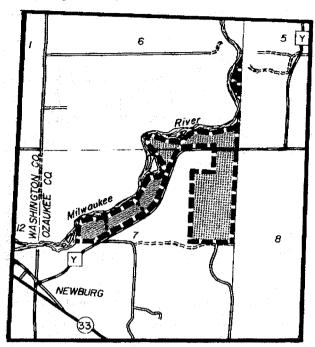
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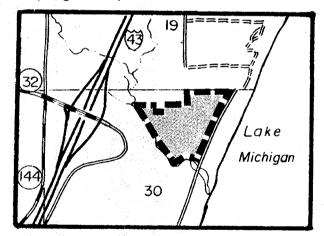
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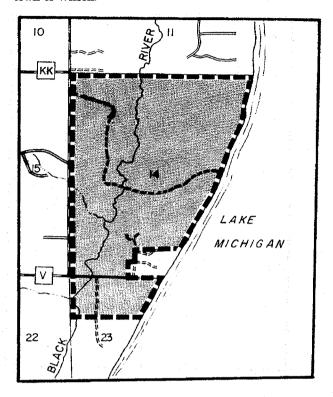
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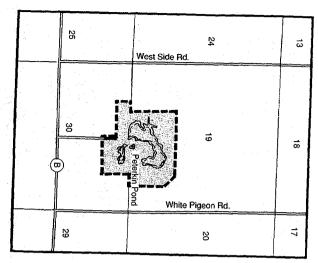
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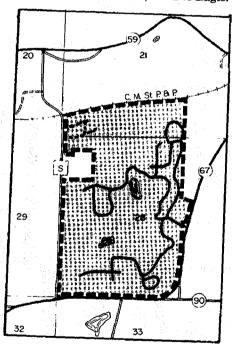
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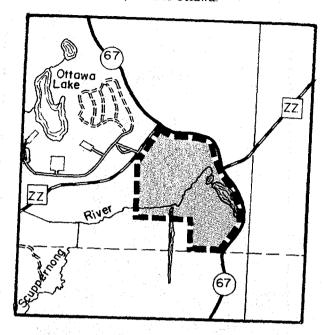
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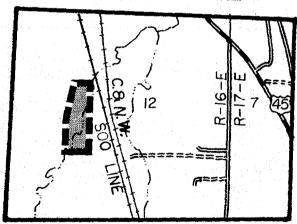
(18) WAUKESHA COUNTY (c) Old World Wisconsin. Township 5 north, range 17 east, town of Eagle.



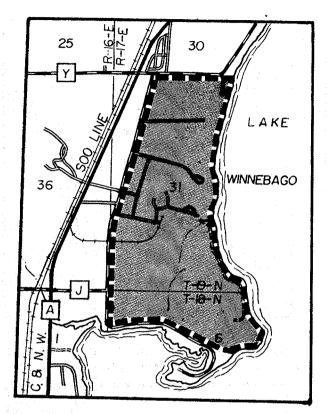
(b) Scuppernong Springs Nature Area. Township 6 north, range 17 east, town of Ottawa.



(19) WINNEBAGO COUNTY (a) U.W. - Oshkosh. Township 17 north, range 16 east, town of Black Wolf.



(b) Winnebago State Hospital. Township 19 north, range 17 east, town of Oshkosh.

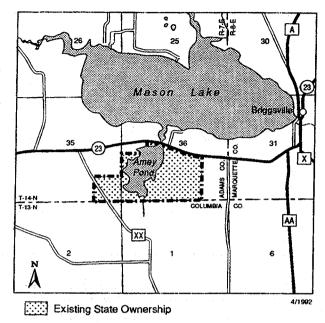


History: 1-2-56; emerg. r. (53) (d) (e), (f) and (h) and (56), eff. 9-24-75; r. (48) (b) (c), (69) (b) (c) (d) and (f), cr. (49) (a), (b) and (c), Register, October, 1975, No. 238, eff. 11-1-75; r. (53) (d), (e), (f), and (h) and (56), Register, June, 1976, No. 246, eff. 7-1-76; cr. (7) (b), Register, April, 1978, No. 268, eff. 5-1-78; r. (28) (a) to (d), (48) (a) and (51) (e), Register, September, 1978, No. 273, eff. 10-1-78; r. and recr. (69), Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79; r. (59) (f), Register, March, 1979, No. 279, eff. 4-1-79; renum (7) (b) to be NR 15.02 (80), Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79;r. (43) (a) and (c), (51), Register, April, 1980, No. 212, eff. 5-1-80; r. and recr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; r. (5) (b) and (c), (9), (15) and (18), cr. (7) (d), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; r. (14), Register, July, 1987, No. 379, eff. 8-1-87; r. (10), Register, September, 1990, No. 417, eff. 10-1-90; r. (20) (a), Register, March, 1991, No. 423, eff. 4-1-91; renum (17) to be (18), cr. (17), Register, October, 1991, No. 430, eff. 3-1-92.

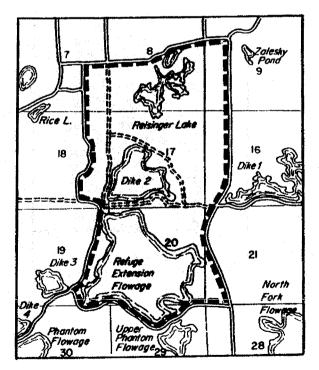
Note: For a complete history of NR 15.01 prior to October, 1975 see the history note to NR 15.01 as it appeared as released in the August, 1973 Register.

NR 15.02 No entry wildlife refuge (Sept. 1 - Dec. 31). A wildlife refuge is established in the following areas when posted with department signs and no person may hunt waterfowl at any time within such areas. No person may enter such areas except for the retrieval of legally killed or crippled game in posted retrieval zones from September 1 through December 31 unless such areas are posted as open with department signs.

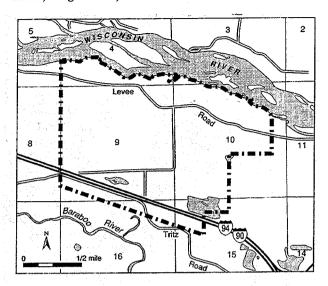
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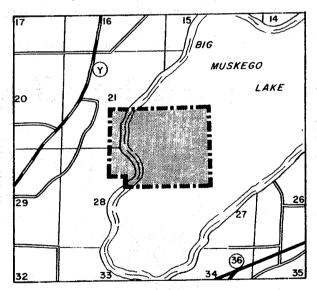
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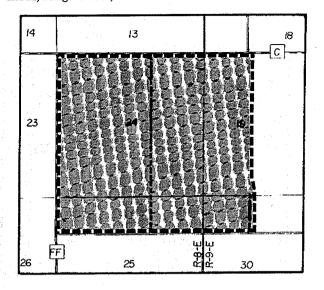
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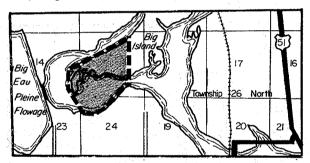
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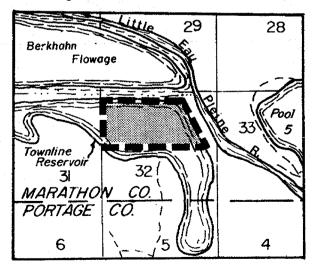
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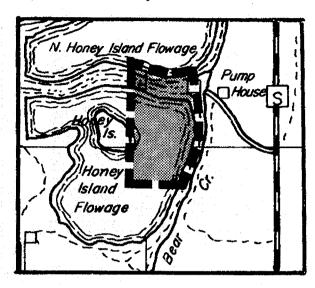
(6) MARATHON COUNTY. (a) Beans Eddy. Township 26 north, range 6 east, town of Bergen.



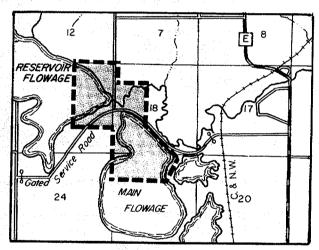
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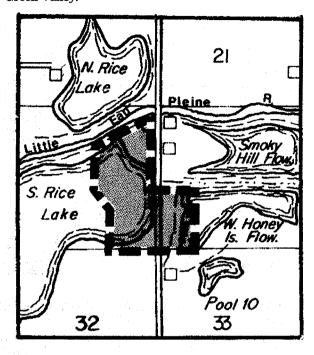
(c) Honey Island Flowage. Township 26 north, range 5 east, town of Green Valley.



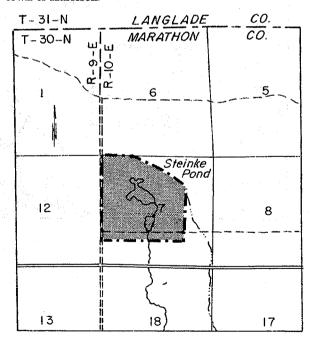
(d) McMillan Marsh. Township 26 north, range 2 east, town of Spencer and township 26 north, range 3 east, town of McMillan.



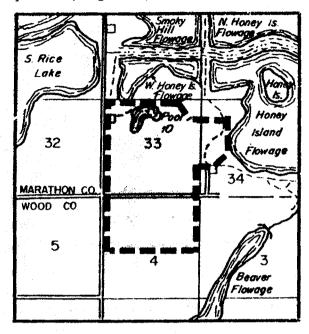
(e) Mead. Township 26 north, range 5 east, town of Green Valley.



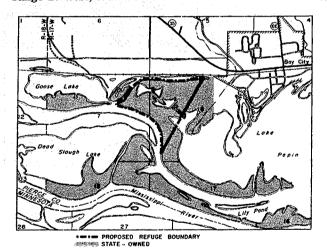
(f) Steinke pond. Township 30 north, range 10 east, town of Harrison.



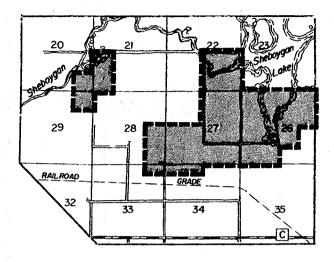
(7) MARATHON AND WOOD COUNTIES (a) Mead. Township 25 north, range 5 east, town of Milladore and township 26 north, range 5 east, town of Green Valley.



(8) PIERCE COUNTY (a) Mike Young. Township 24 north, range 17 west, town of Isabelle.



(9) Sheboygan County. (a) Sheboygan Marsh. Township 16 north, range 20 east, towns of Greenbush and Russell.

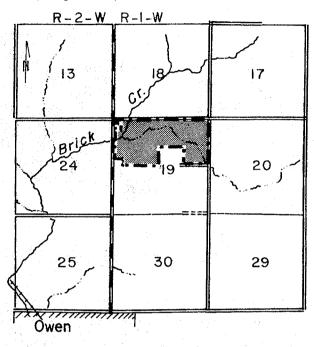


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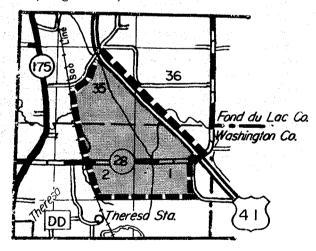
Note: For a complete history of NR 15.02 prior October, 1982 see the history to NR 15.02 as it appeared as released in the August, 1981 Register.

NR 15.022 No entry wildlife refuge except gun deer (Sept. 1 - Dec. 31). A wildlife refuge is established in the following areas when posted with department signs and no person may hunt waterfowl at any time within such areas. No person may enter such areas for any reason from September 1 through December 31 unless such areas are posted as open with department signs except to hunt deer during the open season for hunting deer established in ss. NR 10.01 (3) (e) and 10.117, trapping by permit in the area described in sub. (5), and except for the retrieval of legally killed or crippled game in posted retrieval zones.

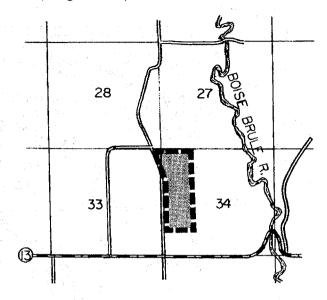
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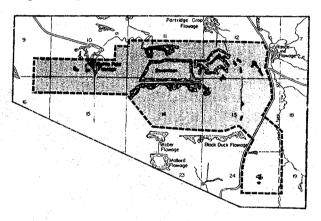
(2) DODGE COUNTY (a) Theresa Marsh. Township 12 north, range 17 east, town of Theresa, and township 13 north, range 17 east, town of Lomira.



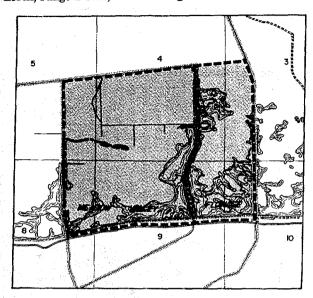
(3) DOUGLAS COUNTY. (a) Brule river. Township 49 north, range 10 west, town of Cloverland.



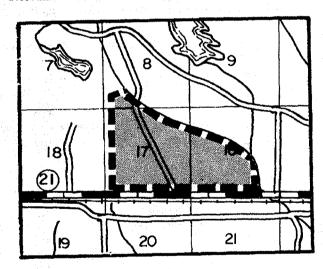
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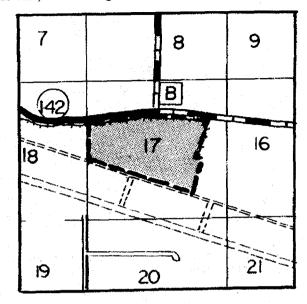
(5) JUNEAU COUNTY (a) Meadow Valley. Township 20 north, range 2 east, town of Kingston.



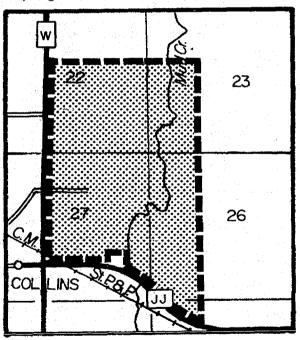
(b) Necedah. Township 18 north, range 3 east, town of Necedah.



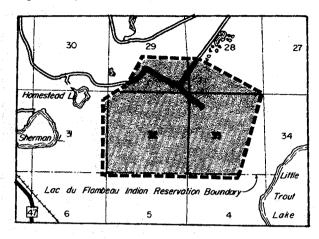
(6) KENOSHA COUNTY (a) Bong. Township 2 north, range 20 east, town of Brighton.



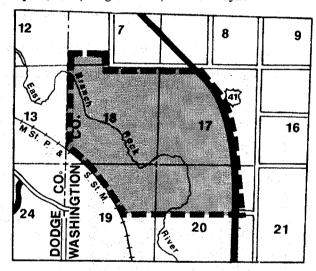
(7) Manitowoc county (a) Collins Marsh. Township 19 north, range 21 east, town of Rockland.



(9) VILAS COUNTY. (a) Powell Marsh. Township 42 north, range 5 east, town of Manitowish Waters.



(10) WASHINGTON COUNTY. (a) Theresa Marsh. Township 12 north, range 18 east, town of Wayne.

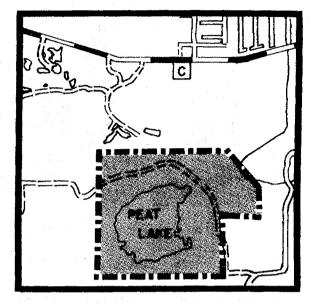


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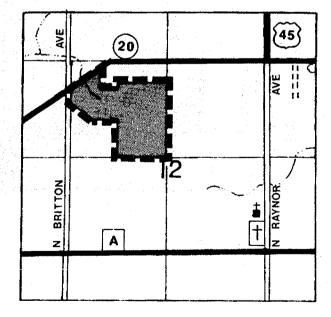
NR 15.024 No entry wildlife refuge (Sept. 1 - Dec. 31); gun deer hunting permitted. A wildlife refuge is established in the following areas when posted with department signs and no person may hunt waterfowl at any time within

such areas. No person may enter such areas for any reason from September 1 through December 31, except to hunt deer during the open season for hunting deer established in ss. NR 10.01 (3) (e) and 10.117.

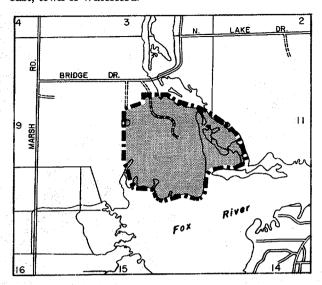
(1) PEAT LAKE Township 1 north, range 20 east, town of Salem.



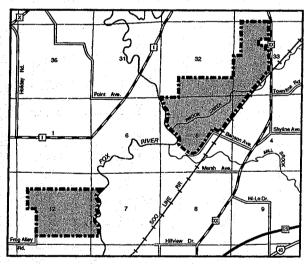
(2) RACINE COUNTY (a) *Dover*. Township 3 north, range 20 east, town of Dover.



(b) Tichigan wildlife area. Township 4 north, range 19 east, town of Waterford.



(3) WAUKESHA COUNTY (a) Vernon wildlife area. Township 5 north, range 19 east, town of Vernon and township 6 north, range 19 east, town of Waukesha.

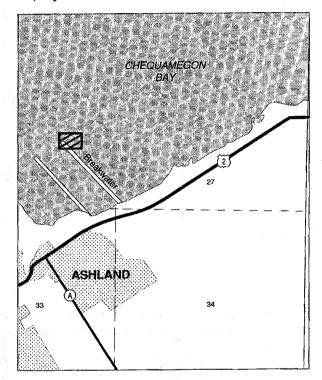


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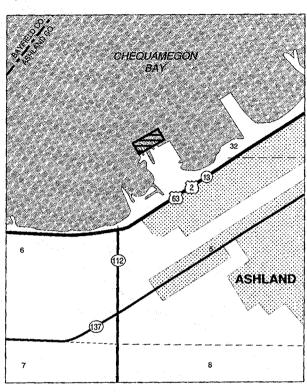
1990, No. 418, eff. 11-1-90; am. (3) map, Register, April, 1992, No. 436, eff. 5-1-92; am. (intro.), Register, August, 1994, No. 464, eff. 9-1-94.

NR 15.03 No entry wildlife refuge, rookeries and special areas. A wildlife refuge is established in the following areas when posted with department signs and no person may enter upon such area for any reason from April 1 through September 15.

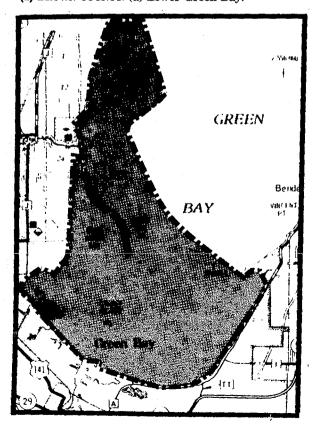
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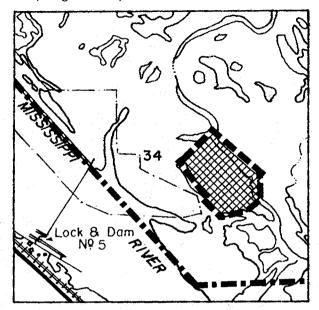
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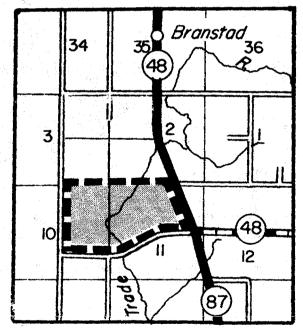
(2) Brown County. (a) Lower Green Bay.



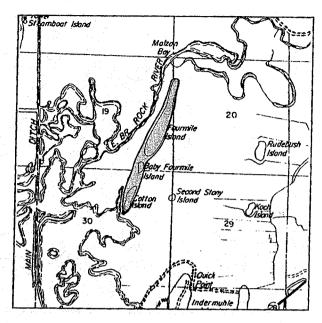
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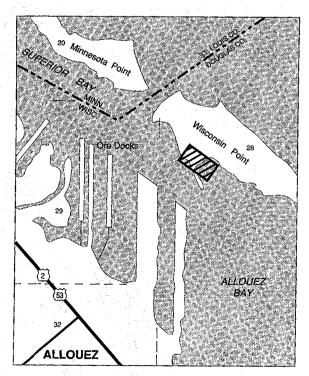
(4) BURNETT COUNTY. (a) Fish Lake. Township 37 north, range 19 west, town of Anderson.



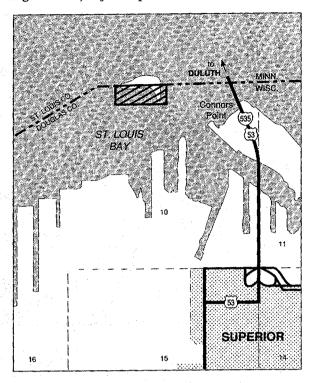
(5) Dodge county (a) *Horicon Marsh*. Township 12 north, range 16 east, town of Williamstown.



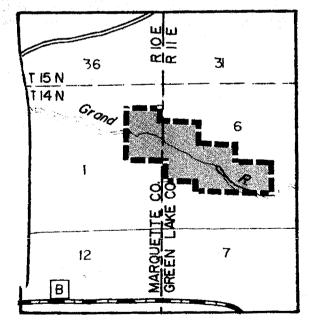
(6) (a) Wisconsin point wildlife area. Township 49 north, range 13 west, city of Superior.



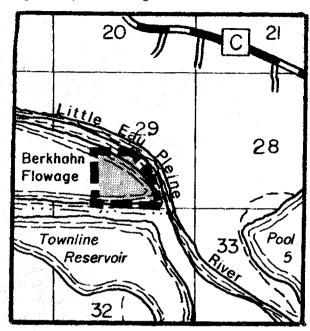
(b) Interstate Island wildlife area. Township 49 north, range 14 west, city of Superior.



(7) Green lake and marquette counties. (a) Grand River. Township 14 north, range 10 east, town of Buffalo and township 14 north, range 11 east, town of Marquette.



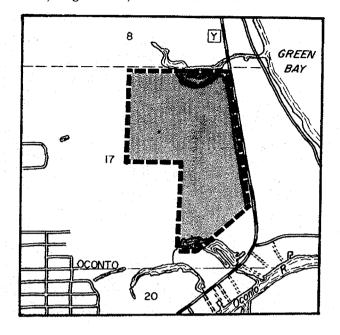
(8) Marathon county (a) Mead. Township 26 north, range 6 east, town of Bergen.



History: Cr. Register, January, 1977, No. 253, eff. 2-1-77; r. and recr. Register, April, 1980, No. 292, eff. 5-1-80; r. and recr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; renum. (1) to (6) to be (2) to (5), (7) and (8), cr. (1) and (6), Register, September, 1991, No. 429, eff. 10-1-91; r. and recr. (5), Register, August, 1994, No. 464, eff. 9-1-94.

NR 15.04 Seasonal game refuge. A game refuge is created in the following areas as posted with department signs and no person may hunt or trap upon such areas from September 1 through the waterfowl season established in s. NR 10.01(1) (b) and (g)

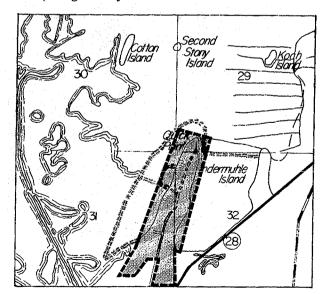
(1) Oconto county (a) Oconto Marsh. Township 28 north, range 22 east, town of Little River.



History: Cr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; am. (intro.), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89.

NR 15.10 Horicon marsh wildlife refuge. (1) A wildlife refuge is established in the following area as posted with department signs. No person may hunt or trap or have in possession or under control thereon any firearm unless it is unloaded and completely enclosed within a carrying case, or any bow unless it is unstrung or completely enclosed within a carrying case:

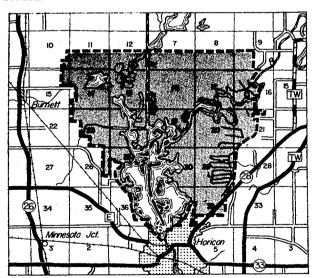
Township 12 north, range 16 east, town of Williamstown, Dodge county.



- (2) Fur-bearing animals may be trapped on the above described lands only under written permit from the department or its agents as provided in s. NR 15.11 (1).
- (3) Wildlife research in all phases may be conducted on the above described lands by the department and its agents without restriction
- (5) The department shall cause the boundaries of the Horicon marsh wildlife refuge as created and established by this section to be marked with signs posted for that purpose.
- (6) This section shall not prohibit the department or its duly authorized agents, the armed forces of the national guard or of the United States, or any peace officers or any person summoned by a peace officer to assist him in making an arrest or in preserving the peace from entering and being on the above described Horicon marsh wildlife refuge in the performance of official duties

History: 1-2-56; am. Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; renum from WCD 15.10 to be NR 15.10 and am. (1), intro, par., and (2) (3), (4), (5) and (6), Register, April, 1971, No. 184, eff. 5-1-71; am. (5) Register, April, 1976, No. 244, eff. 8-15-76; r. and recr. (1), Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82; r. and recr. (1), r. (4), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84.

NR 15.11 Horicon marsh fur farm. (1) A state fur farm to be known as the Horicon marsh fur farm is established on all of the state-owned lands on the Horicon marsh wildlife area in Dodge county as mapped and no person may hunt or trap any fur-bearing animals on such area unless authorized by a valid department permit. Any violation of the permit terms shall be deemed to be a violation of this section.



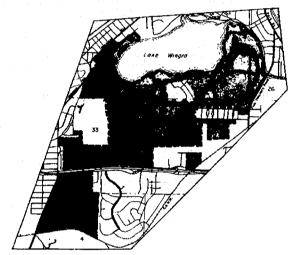
- (2) The secretary shall cause the boundaries of the Horicon marsh fur farm as created and established by this section to be marked with signs posted for that purpose.
- (3) This section shall not prohibit the department or its fully authorized agents, the armed forces of the national

guard or of the United States, or any peace officers or any person summoned by a peace officer to assist him in making an arrest or in preserving the peace from entering and being on the above described Horicon marsh fur farm in the performance of official duties.

History: 1-2-56; am. Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; renum from WCD 15.11 to be NR 15.11 and am. (1), (2) and (3), Register, April, 1971, No. 184, eff. 5-1-71; r. and recr. (1), Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82.

NR 15.12 University arboretum. A wildlife refuge is established in the following area and no person may hunt or trap upon such area or have in possession or under control thereon any firearm unless it is unloaded and completely enclosed within a carrying case or a bow unless it is unstrung or completely enclosed within a carrying case, but nothing herein shall prohibit, prevent or interfere with the department, its deputies, agents or employes in the destruction or removal of injurious animals.

Township 7 north, range 9 east, town of Madison.



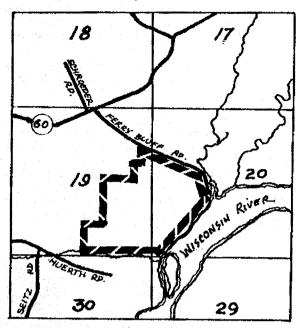
History: Cr. Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; renum. from WCD 15.12 to be NR 15.12, and am. (1), intro. par., and (2), Register, April, 1971, No. 184, eff. 5-1-71; r. and recr. Register, October, 1982, No. 322, eff. 11-1-82.

NR 15.13 University bay. Wildlife research in all phases, including the experimental harvest of wild animals and birds, may be conducted on lands described in s. NR 15.01 (5) (e) by the department and its agents and by the regents of the university of Wisconsin or their agents without restriction.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; renum. from WCD 15.13 to be NR 15.13 and am., Register, April, 1971, No. 184, eff. 5-1-71; correction made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7, Stats., Register, September, 1984, No. 345.

NR 15.14 Ferry bluff state natural area. A wildlife refuge is established in the following area and no person may enter upon such area from November 15 through March 31 except for the retrieval of legally killed or crippled game.

Township 9 north, range 6 east, town of Prairie du Sac



History: Cr. Register, September, 1990, No. 417, eff. 10-1-90.