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Comments on Proposed Critical Habitat for the Canada Lynx

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Comments:

Re: Hwy 53 boundary.

- the larger the critical habitat, the greater the chances of Lynx success.
- a focus on small reproducing/favored areas does not support the fact that the species is sustained by a significantly large area.
- two Harbors is not south enough to provide for Lynx; the buffer should go from Duluth northwest to around Fayal/moorhead.
- the ebb and flow of habitat due to weather and man implies the critical habitat be extended for higher probability of success.
- other areas of the country could be seeded from the Minnesota habitat.
- Finally, there is no economic downside to this.

Thank you.

Attach additional sheets as needed.

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