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Instructions: See page 2 for naming guidelines. Send form and inquiries to the above address.

Geographic Feature Information

Description of Feature - Include size (acres), length (miles) or population, etc. <i>Mud Lake, approx 15+ acres, nature lake</i>	Recommended Name of Feature <i>Black Bear Lake</i>
Other Names or Spellings in Use: <i>None known of</i>	By Whom: (Name and Address)

Reason for this Proposal - Identify Problem and Need (Attach supplementary sheet if necessary)
The current name of "Mud Lake" is not descriptive of this beautiful, relatively clear, clean water nature lake. Seven lakes already have this unflattering and generic name in Polk County, WI alone, causing confusion as to which one a person is referring to. There are 116 total Mud Lakes in the State of Wisconsin the most of any named lake. There are NO Black Bear Lakes in the State of WI.

Origin and Significance of Recommended Name - Attach Supporting Documents (resolution, historical data, etc.)
We have had numerous sightings of black bears that live in the woods surrounding this lake, and thought it appropriate as a result. We also live by White Bear Lake in the Twin Cities, and thought this would be a good

Feature Location	DNR Use Only		Variation of most Popular Name.
County <i>Polk County; McKinley Twp.</i>	Lat. _____ ° _____ ' _____ " Long. _____ ° _____ ' _____ "		
Stream <i>WI</i>	Lat. _____ ° _____ ' _____ " Long. _____ ° _____ ' _____ "		
Heads: Sec. _____, T _____ N, R _____ E/W	Lat. _____ ° _____ ' _____ " Long. _____ ° _____ ' _____ "		
Ends: Sec. _____, T _____ N, R _____ E/W	Lat. _____ ° _____ ' _____ " Long. _____ ° _____ ' _____ "		
Lake, Village, etc. <i>McKinley Twp.</i>	USGS Quad. Name	Index Number	
Secs. <i>23/14</i> , T <i>36N</i> , N, R <i>15W</i> SE/SE			
Secs. _____, T _____ N, R _____ E/W			
(or locate by landmarks and attach map) <i>Along Co. Rd E. (10th St)</i>			

Applicant Information

Name <i>Paul and Lori Slater</i> (Property owners around Mud Lake)	Agency <i>private party property owners of nature preserve, recreational land in McKinley, WI</i>	Telephone Number (include area code) <i>651-429-4235</i>
Address <i>9496 - 85th St. N.</i>	City <i>Stillwater,</i>	State <i>MN</i>
		ZIP Code <i>55082</i>
Signature of Applicant <i>Paul D. Slater, Yonith Slater</i>	Date Signed <i>October 03, 2014</i>	

DNR Use Only - Map Search and Field Investigation		
Name of Map or Other Reference	Date of Ref.	Name Given Feature
Person Contacted	Address	Occupation
Special Concerns		
Findings and Recommendation		
Signature of Investigator		Date Signed

Resolution No. 47-14

Resolution to Approve Name Change of Mud Lake, Town of McKinley, to Black Bear Lake in Support of Application for Geographic Name Change

TO THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF POLK:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

1 WHEREAS, the County of Polk has received notification of an application of Paul Slater filed with
2 the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Wisconsin Geographic Names Council to
3 change the name Mud Lake located in Sections 14 and 23 of the Town of McKinley, to Black Bear
4 Lake; and

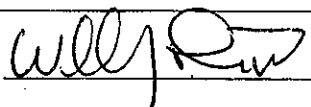
5 WHEREAS, the local name of the navigable lake known as Mud Lake is entirely surrounded by
6 lands all owned by Paul and Lori Slater; and

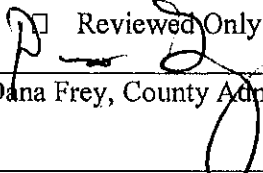
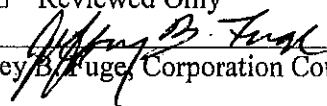
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8 WHEREAS, there are 116 lakes in Wisconsin and 7 lakes in Polk County having the official name of
9 "Mud Lake" and the change of name as applied for would create the first lake in Wisconsin with the
10 name of "Black Bear Lake" and give recognition to the prominence of the black bears in Northern
11 Wisconsin; and

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13 WHEREAS, the Polk County Conservation, Development, Recreation and Education Committee
14 met, received no opposition to the proposed name change, and recommended approval of the name
15 change consistent with the application; and

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17 WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Wisconsin Geographic Names
18 Council have conditionally approved the name change pending county board approval pursuant to
19 Wisconsin Statute Section 23.25(1)(c).

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors approves the
21 name change of Mud Lake to "Black Bear Lake" and instructs the County Clerk to forward a copy of
22 this resolution to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Town of McKinley.

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To Appropriation:	Not Applicable
Effective Date:	Upon Passage
Dated Submitted To County Board	November 12, 2014
Submitted and Sponsored By the Polk County Conservation Development, Recreation and Education Committee.	<hr/> Kim O'Connell, Committee Chair
Submitted and Sponsored By:	 <hr/>

Review By County Administrator: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Dana Frey, County Administrator	Review By Corporation Counsel: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved as to Form <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel
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Acknowledgement of County Board Action

Mark As Appropriate:

At its regular business meeting on November 12, 2014 the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. 47 -14: Resolution to Approve Name Change of Mud Lake, Town of McKinley, to Black Bear Lake in Support of Application for Geographic Name Change, as follows:

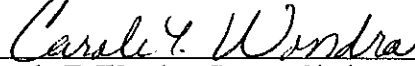
- Adopted by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ against.
- Adopted by majority voice vote.
- Defeated by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ against.
- Defeated by majority voice vote
- Action Deferred by Procedural Action, as follows: _____

SIGNED BY:

 11.13.2014

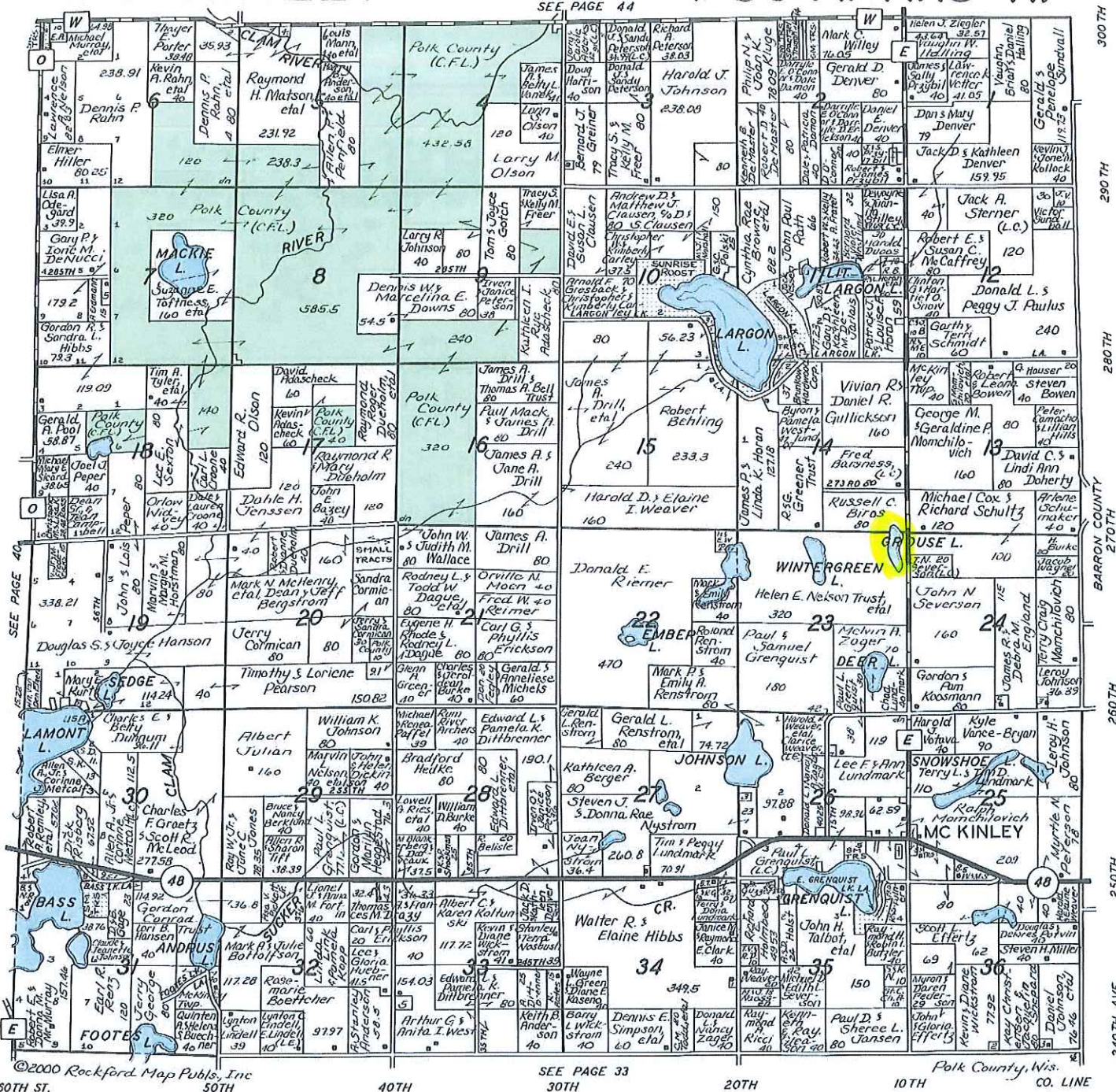
William F. Johnson, IV, County Board Chairperson

Attest:

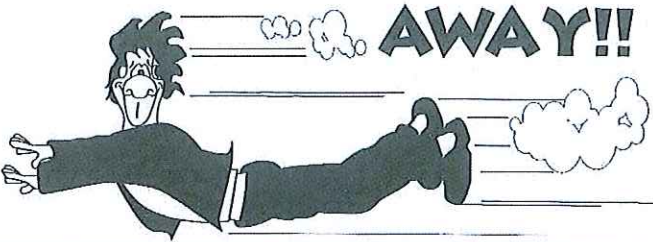


Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk

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