

PILT Payments for County Forest Lands

THE CITIZENS OF NORTHWEST WISCONSIN REQUEST

Increase the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) for County Forest Lands from \$.30 to \$1.00 per acre.

BACKGROUND

- The significant portion of county forest lands are in the Northwest Portion of the State of Wisconsin.
- State County Forest Law controls usage of the lands; lands are enrolled in County Forest Law, Statute 10-28.11.
- Seven Northwest Wisconsin counties account for over 44% of the State's county forest land.
- County forest valuation is dramatically less than non-forest valuation.
- The State currently provides \$.30 per acre to local units of government.
- In 2013 PILT payments by the National Forest were \$1.00 per acre to local units of government.
- The PILT payment amount has not changed in over 20 years.

Request the State to provide PILT payments to County Forest Counties in the amount of \$1 per acre. This will benefit directly benefit town governments.

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