

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Enforcement

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

INFORMATION ABOUT THE OCCURRENCE

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| 12/04-1/05 | | 69 | T.56 N- R.20W sec. 18 | 2 | 7 | 7256 | DNR Employee |

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| Report Prepared By | Gary Lefebvre | Badge No | 295 | Date | 08/05/2008 |
| Report Reviewed By | | Badge No | | Date | |
| Case Disposition | | | | Date | |

OFFICER Lefebvre reports:

On August 4th, 2008 at approximately 1:00 p.m. I, Gary Lefebvre, Conservation Officer with the Department of Natural Resources met with Edward Lindquist at the Hibbing forestry office. After leaving the office we drove to Bunker road located on the south side of Hibbing. We then proceeded south on Bunker Road to the intersection of the South Town Line Road. We turned on South Town Line Road and proceeded east for ½ mile to an old railroad grade. At that point we and drove north on the old railroad grade for 3 1/2 miles before parking. We then used an ATV to drive east toward the trapping site. We were only able to drive ½ mile before we parked the machine on the edge of a wetland and proceeded the last ½ mile on foot.

At approximately 2:00 p.m. we arrived at the site where the cat was reportedly trapped. The GPS location of the site was N 47 19.755' W 92 55.278' which puts the exact location at the SW of the SE of Section 18 in Township T 56 N—R 20 W. The land is owned by the Blandin Paper Company. The area was heavily wooded and located on the north edge of a large wetland. The timber type was primarily cedar, Ash, balsam and spruce.

While inspecting the reported trapping site, numerous old snares were discovered. In close proximity to the snares, several deer skulls and assorted animal bones were scattered about. I then used the photograph of the snared cat (originally supplied by Ed Lindquist) to determine if this was the site that the animal was taken. Trees located just south of the bone pile matched trees in the photograph of the snared cat. I am convinced that the picture was taken at the trapping site I visited.

After searching the area, photos were taken and two snares were collected as evidence. I asked Mr. Lindquist his opinion of the snared cat in the picture and he stated that he was positive that it was a lynx and not a bobcat or hybrid animal. We then left the site and returned back to the Hibbing forestry office at approximately 4:00 p.m.