

Sherburne NWR NE & SE Grazing Cell Requirements and Maps

Paddock Acreage: ~1,250 acres each (paddocks are broken up into 9 paddocks or fewer depending on stocking density)

Note: The grazing regime for this unit will be rotational grazing with duration and timing being dictated by habitat needs and stocking density.

Grazing Period: May 1st – August 31st 2021 (grazing dates are approximate and will be based on weather and habitat conditions) Given a successful Refuge grazing season, the successful bidder's permit may be extended yearly for up to 4 additional grazing periods, not to exceed the 2025 grazing season.

Stocking Rate: .5-1.5 Animal Unit (AU)/Acre depending on habitat conditions

Animal Unit Equivalents: ie. 100 cow/calf pair = 120 AU

- 1.00 Mature cow
- 1.20 Cow-Calf pair
- 0.70 Yearling (9-18 months)
- 0.50 Weaner calf
- 1.50 Bull

Fee Schedule:

Any fees must be paid in full within one month of removing animals from the Refuge.

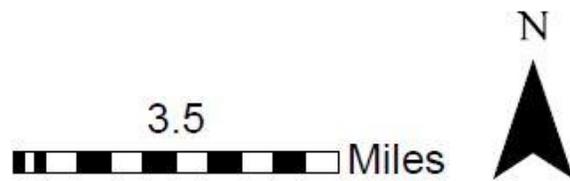
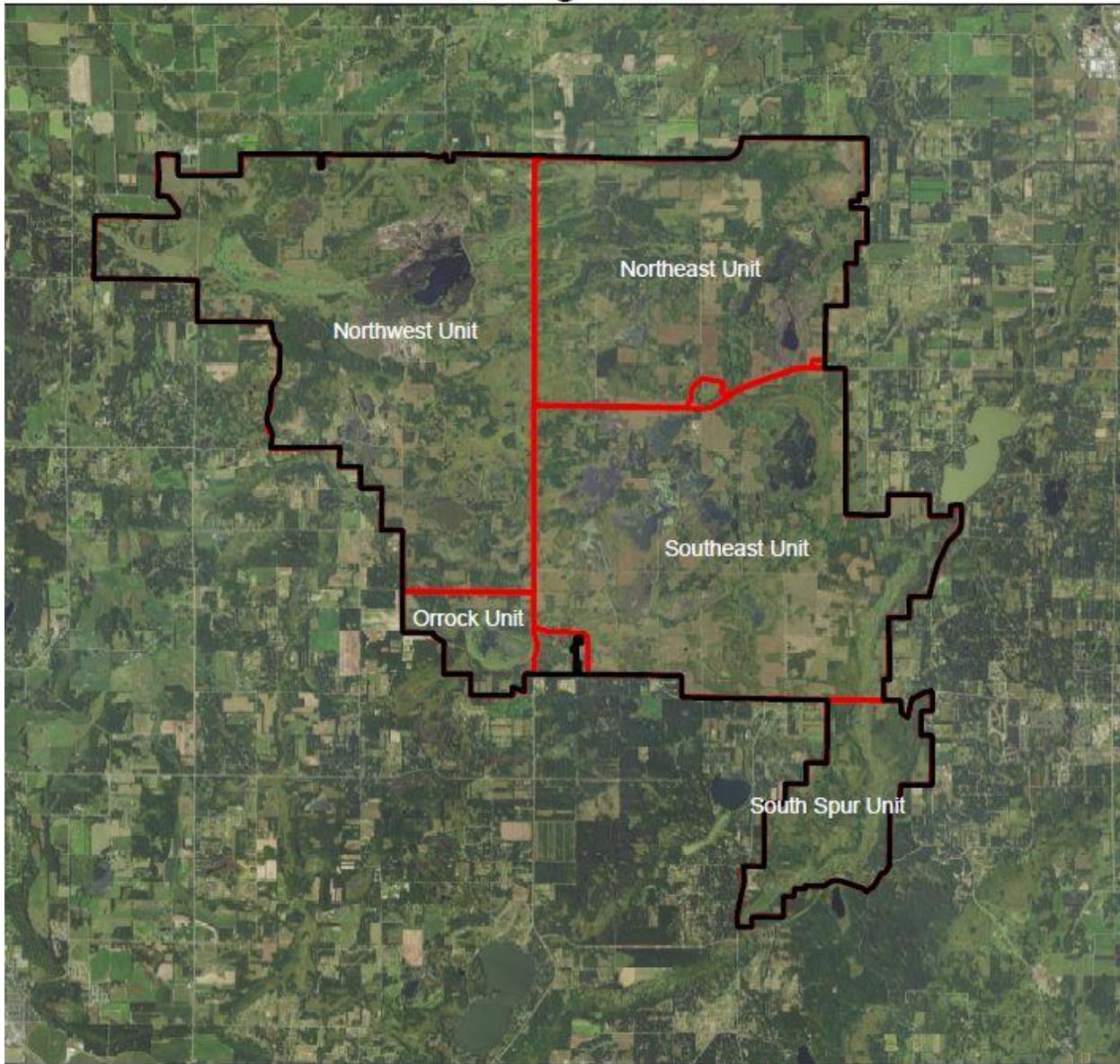
Requirements:

- The permittee will be required to provide a **minimum of 120 AU** equivalents of cattle to graze this unit and a maximum of 240 AU's based on habitat conditions.
- The permittee's cattle will be required to be trained to respect electric fencing.
- The permittee is required to provide the materials and labor to install all interior electric fence creating a paddock/rotational system. Bid amount should reflect anticipated costs.
- The permittee will be required to move cattle through the paddocks throughout the three months grazing season.
- The permittee is responsible for maintaining all fencing for this unit, including the existing boundary fence.
- The permittee will also need to provide a power source for all electric fences and maintain a minimum of 2500 volts for cows/calves and 3000 volts for bulls. Use a low impedance fence charger is recommended for the heavy weed conditions, long fences, and fences using poly wire. These conditions are common at the refuge.

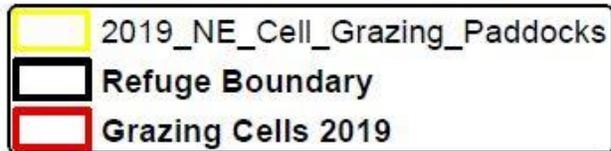
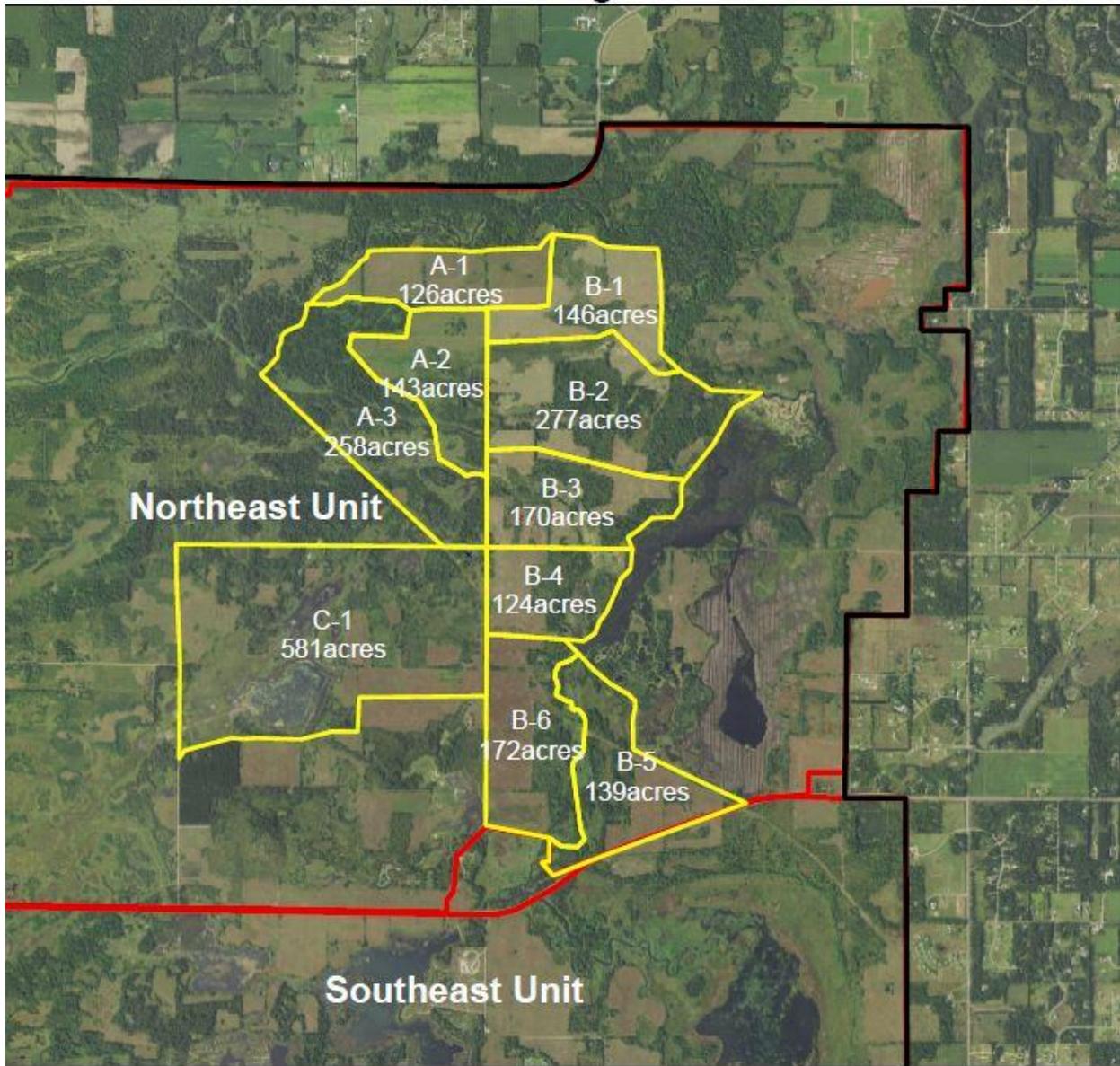
Bids will be based on price per AUM. Note: Make sure to factor in materials and labor for fencing and supplemental watering needs, in your final bid.

Bids will be accepted for a 5 year period. Note: Although the bid amount will be good for a 5 year period, the Special Use Permit will be reviewed and written on an annual basis to ensure a cooperative effort from both parties.

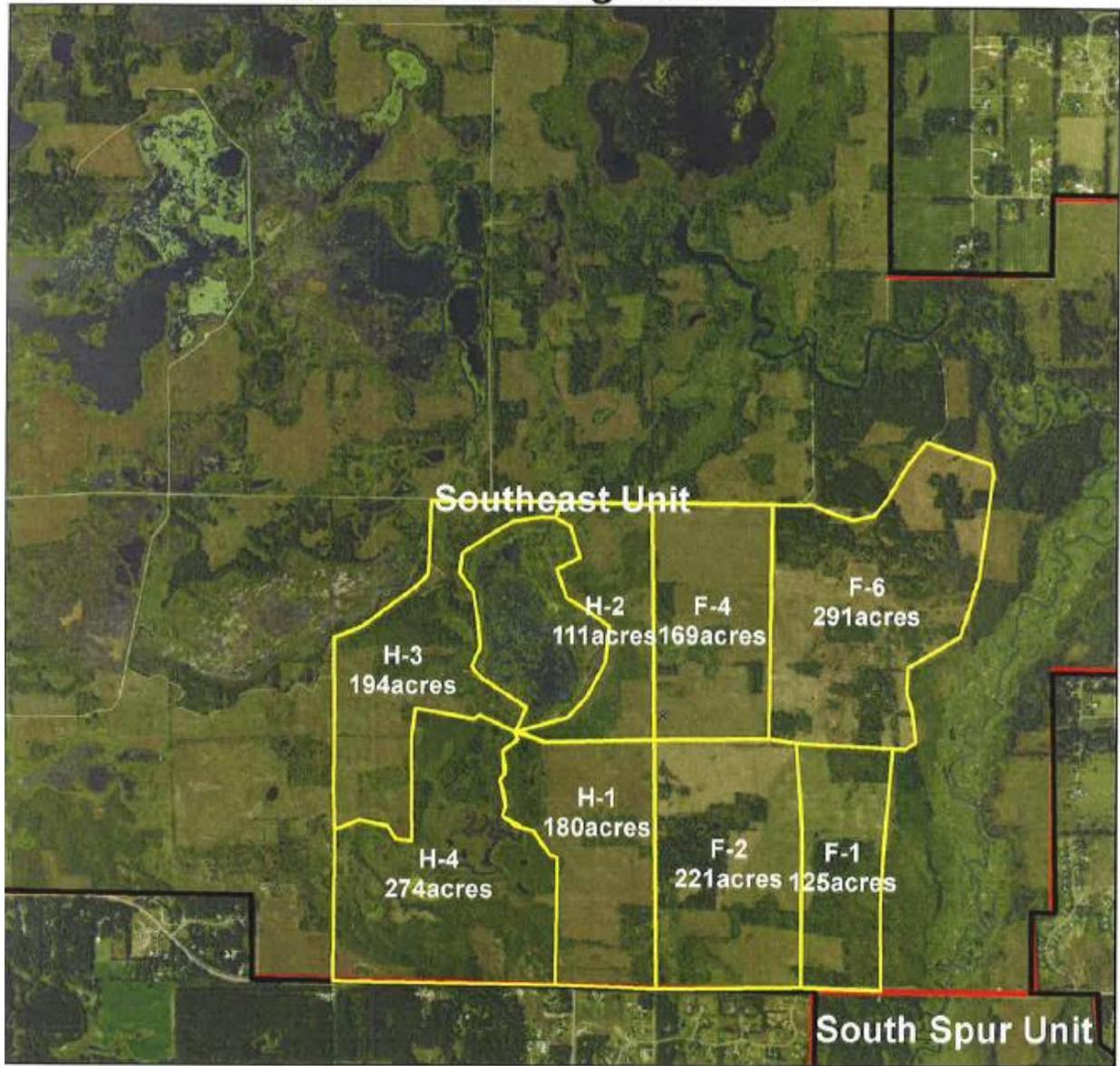
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