# **Pheasants Forever**

### **Date of Fieldwork**

5/13/14, 5/15/14

### Location

SEC/TWP/RNG: 26 & 35-112-23 Western shoreline of Sanborn Lake

# **Physiographic Setting**

Lakeshore; General Lake Area

# **Surface**

Visibility: 30-40%

Surface Type: No till corn field.

#### **Current Land Use**

Agricultural Field; Corn Field

### **Threats to Site**

Botched Restoration? (Unlikely)

#### Soil

Silty loam

## Landscape

Rolling hills decreasing in elevation towards the south near "Pheasant Island"

# Weather

Partly cloudy, 60-75 degrees.

# Personnel

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# **Work Type**

Phase 1: Surface Collection

# Methodology

Surface conducted at 2 meter intervals between surveyors on line going southeast and northwest. Surveyors dispersed within and around high probability areas to locate artifact concentrations.

Artifact concentrations intensively surveyed.

GPS point taken on each individual artifact in the surface collection.

#### Results

# lithics found.

0 faunel

0 floral

0 pottery

## **Owner**

Pheasants Forever Managed by: Joe Pavelko

#### **Notes**

- Will have the rights transferred over to the Department of natural Resources in order to restore the land back to its natural habitat.
- Elevated platform overlooking the shoreline of Sanborn Lake yielded around a large artifact scatter to include tools and pottery.
- Hilltop just northwest of the aforementioned platform also yielded an artifact scatter.
- Manmade creek divides the parcel into two segments only passable from the west via the driveway in the center of the parcels.
- West of the creek on the hills to both the south and north yielded artifact scatters.
- Northwestern artifact scatter likely continues uphill onto the parcel just north of the parcel boundary.
- Prehistoric island is located on the southeastern portion of the parcels, of which Pheasants Forever owns roughly ⅔ of.
  - o Island had 12 shovel tests dug along the western edge, 2 lithics recovered.
- South of the Pheasants Forever parcels located between Sanborn Lake and Dietz Lake is a fairly large sequence of sites with a similar assemblage to what was recovered from Pheasants Forever.
- Northeast of the parcels along the shoreline is Alpha site LEp which was confirmed as a site during this ongoing county survey in 2013.