

2009 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Recreation Grants Program



Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund—Origins

Kammer Recreational Land Trust Fund Act (1976 PA 204)

Compromise over oil and gas exploration
in Pigeon River Country State Forest





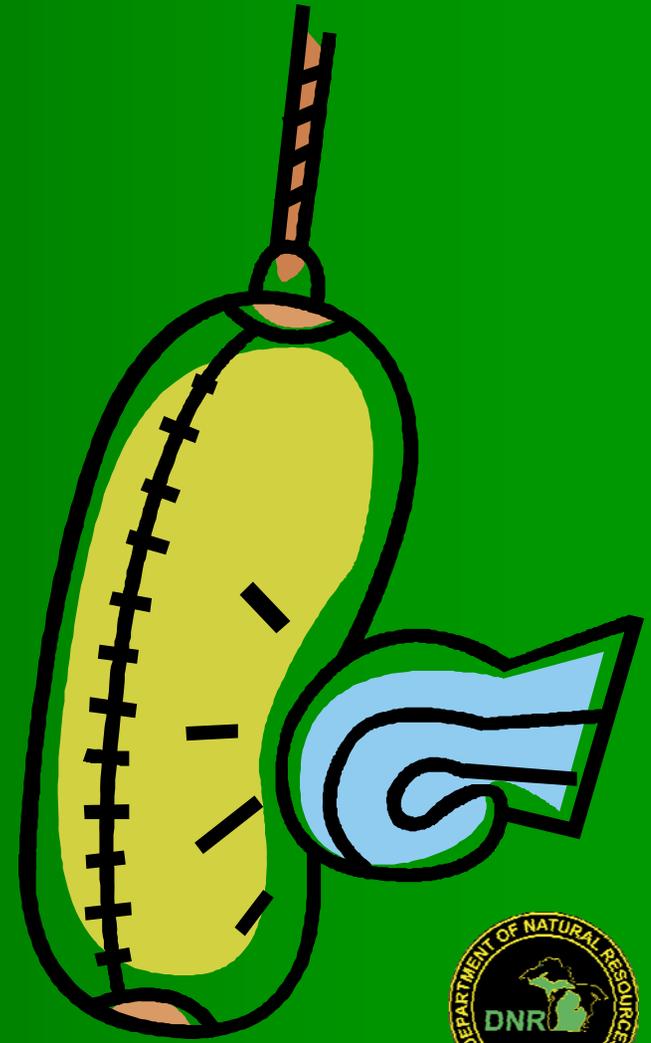
1984 Constitutional Amendment— Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund

**Allowed for the
development of
recreation facilities**



Why Change the MNRTF?

- Changing priorities of the MNRTF Board
- Criteria were too complex, too many, and did not always achieve the desired results
- “Helping hand” may have felt otherwise at times to underserved communities



Why Change the MNRTF?

- Better assist communities working through the grant process



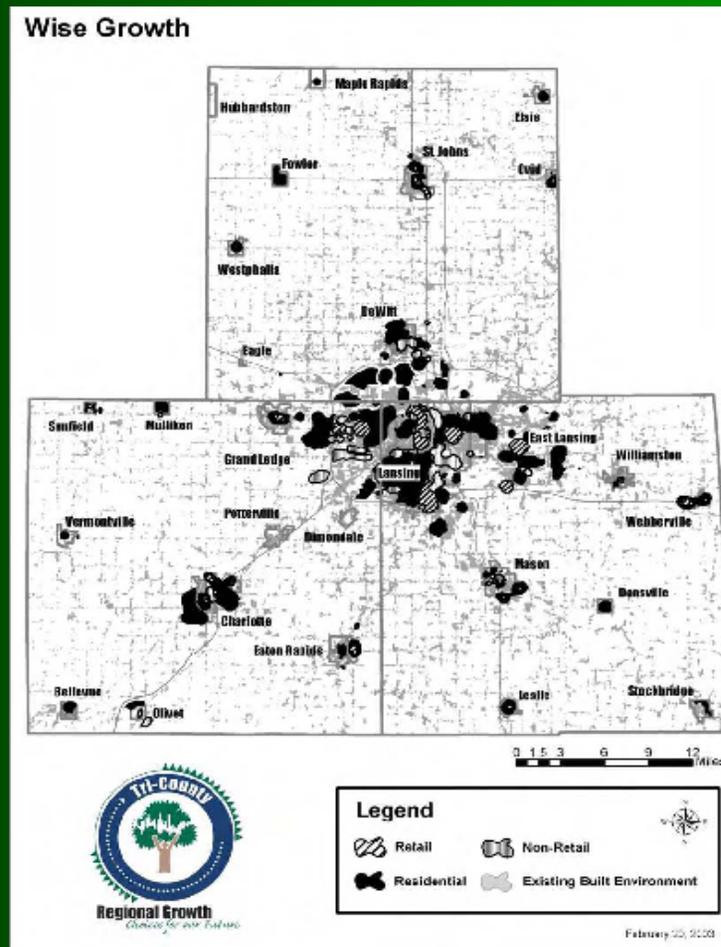
Why Change the MNRTF?

- Give priority to:
 - Urban Areas
 - Low Income Communities
 - Underserved Communities



Why Change the MNRTF?

- Encourage collaboration and regional planning



2009 MNRTF Criteria

Ten core criteria:

1. Need for Project
2. Site and Project Quality
3. Applicant History
- 4a. Natural Resource Based Recreation Opportunities (dev)



2009 MNRTF Criteria

- 4b. Natural Resource Protection and Use (acquisition)
5. Financial Need of the Applicant
6. Urban Area Recreation Opportunities
7. Applicant Match (income-based sliding scale)
8. Entrance Fees
9. Universal Design (development)
10. Oil and Gas Impacted Areas



MNRTF Board Priority Project Types

Trails and Greenways



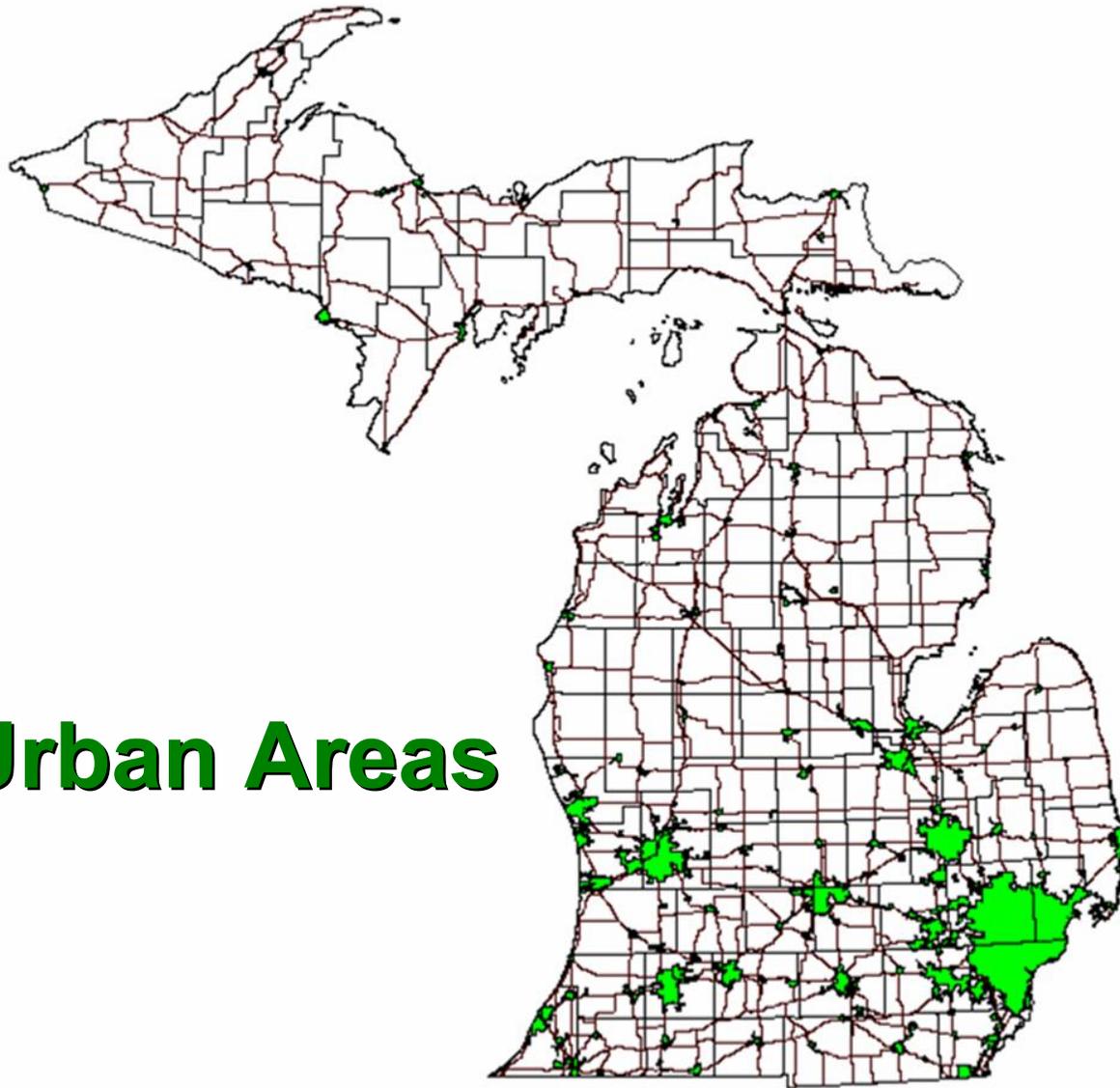
Wildlife/Ecological Corridors and Winter Deer Yard Acquisitions



David Kenyon, DNR



Urban Areas



Urban Area Recreation Opportunities

- A. Core or inner ring city of MSA*
- B. Urbanized Area of MSA
- C. Core city of MiSA**
- D. Urban Cluster (smaller communities)

*Metropolitan Statistical Area

**Micropolitan Statistical Area



Applicant Match

Local Match Percentage	Top ~2% MHI*	Top 1/3 rd MHI	Middle 1/3 rd MHI	Bottom 1/3 rd MHI
0-25%	0	0	0	0
26-29%	0	0	5	10
30-39%	0	5	10	20
40-49%	5	10	20	30
50%+	10	20	30	40

* Those communities with MHI values greater than \$80,000



Financial Need

A. Upper 1/3 MHI*	0
B. Middle 1/3 MHI	20
C. Lowest 1/3 MHI	40

Maximum points (A or B or C) 40

* Median Household Income



MNRTF Outreach & Education

Three workshops will be held this fall to introduce communities to the resources available to them, and establish contact with collaborating agencies and organizations.

Lawrence – October 13

Flint – October 6th

Detroit – October 15



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