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REBECCA A. HUMPHRIES  
DIRECTOR

December 8, 2008

**TO:** Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

**INFORMATION:** Natural Resources Commission

**Transaction:** Gift of Relinquishment of Lease  
St. Clair Flats Wildlife Area – St. Clair County  
The Frederick Odena Tract  
Land Transaction Case #20080202

**Gift:** Part of One Subdivision Lot – 1.36 acres

**Description:** St. Clair County, Clay Township: Leasehold interest in Lot 354 EXCEPT Easterly 100 feet, Middle Channel Section of the so-called St. Clair Flats, made under the provisions of Act 175, Public Acts of 1899.

**Donor:** Frederick Odena, Orlando, Florida

**Authority:** Part 5 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

**Notice:** This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) December 29, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on January 5, 2009.

**Stipulation:** State to pay delinquent 2007 property tax bill of \$30.35.

**Comments:** The offered gift of relinquishment of lease is located within the St. Clair Flats Wildlife Area, 30 miles south of Port Huron and 30 miles northeast of Detroit. The vacant tract is primarily submerged except for occasional emergent vegetation and scattered sandbars. Access is available only by boat. The land is owned by the State of Michigan, but leased to the Donor under terms of a lease due to expire in the year 2054.

The Donor's relinquishment of lease rights in this land will contribute to the Department's goals of consolidating State ownership, expanding accessible public land, and preventing further development in this ecologically sensitive area. Acceptance of this gift is consistent with recommendations contained in the St. Clair Flats Management Plan which was formally approved by the Natural Resources Commission in April 1981.

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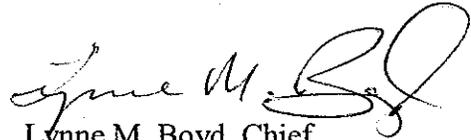
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- Recommendations: (1) That this gift be accepted with appreciation.
- (2) That payment of the 2007 delinquent property tax bill of \$30.35 be made from funds appropriated for the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, Wildlife Land Consolidation Initiative, as contained in Act 59, Public Acts of 2007.



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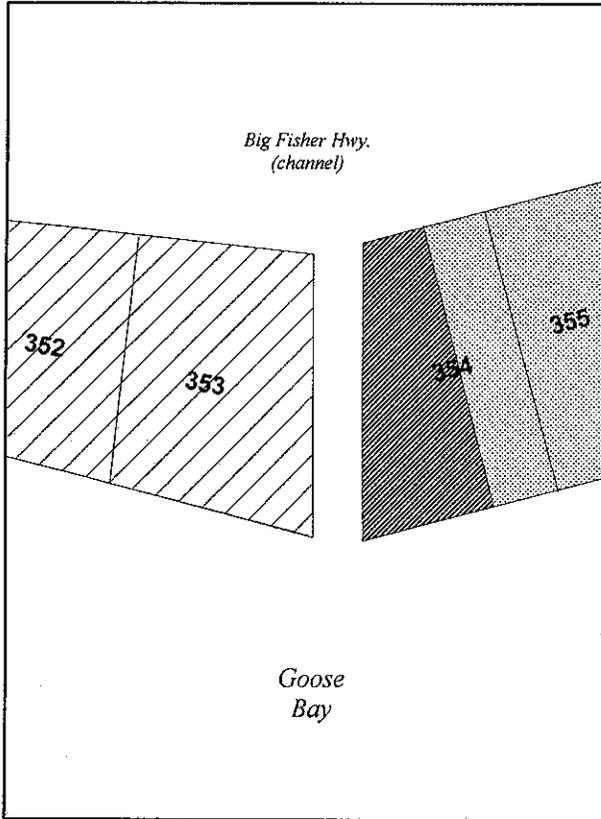
Arminda S. Koch  
Resource Management Deputy

I approve the staff recommendations.

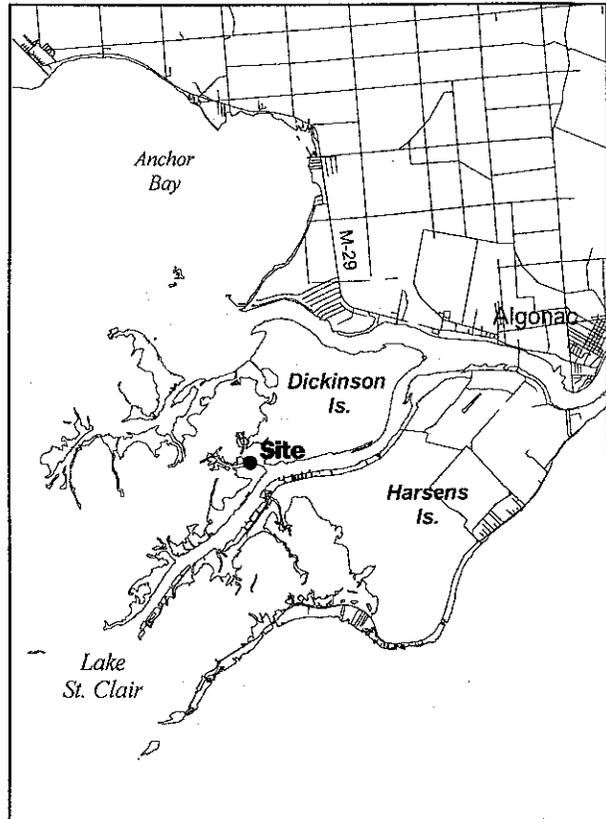
Rebecca A. Humphries  
Director

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Date Approved

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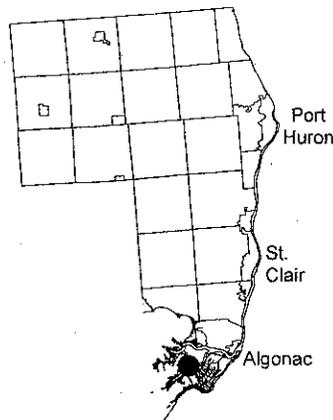


St Clair Flats, Clay Township



Regional Location

- Property line
- Leasehold offered to DNR
- Leased state land
- State land
- Private land



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