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DIRECTOR

June 7, 2010

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Acquisition
Cadillac Management Unit – Wexford County
The Starlin/King Tract
Land Transaction Case #20090017

Purchase: 103 acres with 4,370 feet of forested riverfront – \$600,000.00

Description: Wexford County, Liberty Township, T24N, R09W, That part of the SW ¼ of the NE ¼, south of the south bank of the Manistee River being in Section 9; AND that part of the N ½ of the SE ¼, south of the south bank of the Manistee River, being in Section 9; AND that part of the NW ¼ of the SW ¼, south of the south bank of the Manistee River; EXCEPT a parcel described as commencing 331.79 feet south and 229.52 feet east of the NW corner; thence South 310 feet; thence east to the River; thence northerly along the river to a point due east of the beginning; thence N 36 degrees 07'52" E 102.23 feet; thence N 78 degrees 16'15" W 89.02 feet; thence N 65 degrees 16'05" W 90 feet; thence S 83 degrees 42'42" W 60 feet; thence southwesterly to the point of beginning; being in Section 10. containing 103 acres, more or less

Sellers: Richard T. and Ardith M. King
R. J. and Clorinda Starlin
Bill R. and Sandra J. King
Hazel J. Holly
Kevin W. and Gena King

Stipulations: The sellers consent to the sale of the above-described premises at \$600,000.00, however, it is understood that said premises may have a monetary value in excess of that amount, in which case, any value in excess thereof is considered to be a gift to the State of Michigan.

The sellers will reserve oil and gas rights for 10 years, or for so long as held by production.

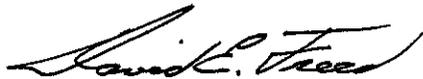
- Property Taxes: The property taxes for 2009 were \$3,480.00
- Authority: Part 19 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended
- Notice: This item will appear on the Department's June 28, 2010 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on July 5, 2010.
- Comments: The offered private parcel is located in northern Wexford County, approximately ¼ mile east of US Highway 131 and five miles north of Manton.

The acquisition of this 103-acre tract of forested recreational riverfront property has been approved for funding as a "line item" Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund project. This property includes approximately 4,370 feet of frontage on the Manistee River, 30 acres of wetland habitat, deer wintering yard, several rare species, and wooded uplands. The presence of these characteristics on a single tract of land results in a highly diverse and significant property which benefits many of the Department's missions. The Department intends to manage the property to maintain and enhance the natural features of the site with a major emphasis on preserving and enhancing the deer wintering yard and habitat for specific species, such as the red shouldered hawk.

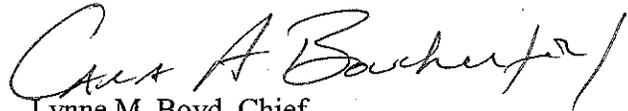
This acquisition will eliminate the need for the Department to monitor and maintain approximately 1.5 miles of private boundary interface within the State Forest. In addition, it will contribute to the Department's goals of consolidating State ownership, limiting land fragmentation, securing fishery and wildlife habitat, enhancing forest management, and increasing public recreation opportunities.

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Recommendation: That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the following funds as they are available: Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, Chippewa Landing Acquisition Project, Act 278, Public Acts of 2008; the Winter Deer Habitat Initiative Project, Act 153 of 2006; Act 59 of 2007; the State Forest Land Consolidation Initiative Project, Act 59 of 2007; or the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund.



David E. Freed, Chief
Land and Facilities



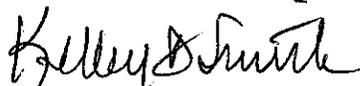
Lynne M. Boyd, Chief
Forest Management Division



Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief
Wildlife Division



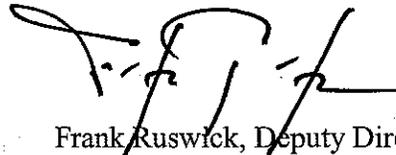
Ronald A. Olson, Chief
Recreation Division



Kelley D. Smith, Ph.D., Chief
Fisheries Division



Mindy Koch, Deputy Director
Resource Management



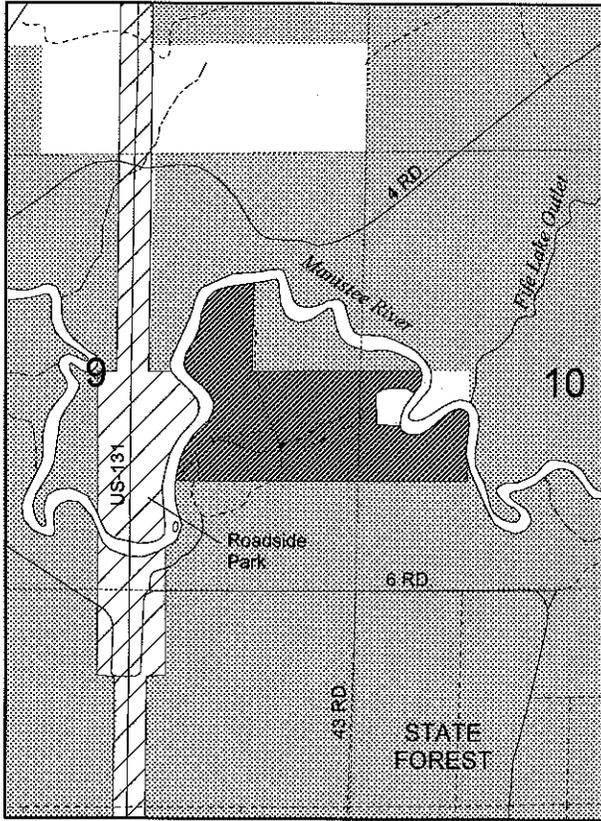
Frank Ruswick, Deputy Director
Stewardship

I approve the staff recommendation.

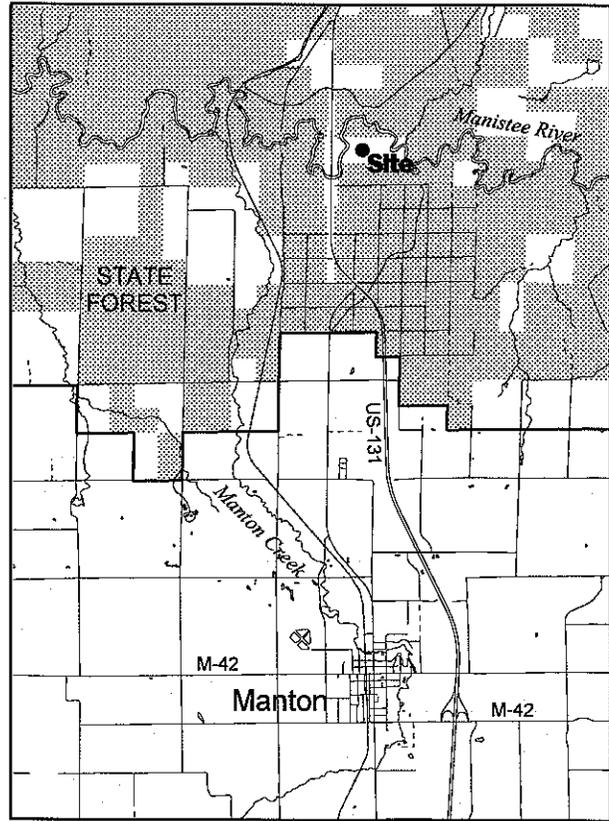
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Date Approved

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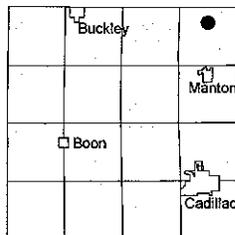


Sections 9 and 10, T24N, R09W
 Liberty Township



Regional Location

- State Forest boundary
- Land offered to DNRE (103.00 acres - \$600,000.00)
- MDOT land
- State land
- Private land



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