



JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

LANSING



REBECCA A. HUMPHRIES
DIRECTOR

November 13, 2007

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Parks and Recreation Land Acquisition
Aloha State Park – Cheboygan County
RDM Properties, LLC.
Land Transaction Case #20060078

Purchase Price: 64.8 acres – \$160,000.00

Description: Cheboygan County, Aloha Township: A part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, T36N, R01W, described as: The West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, T36N, R01W, **EXCEPT:** Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 17, T36N, R01W; thence N 86° 14' 42" W along the East and West 1/4 line 1,686.50 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing N 86° 14' 42" W 964.15 feet to the North and South 1/4 line; thence N 1° 54' 11" E 700.08 feet to a 1/2" bar and cap#41099; thence S 86° 14' 57" E 964.08 feet to a 1/2" bar and cap#41099; thence S 1° 53' 50" W 700.15 feet to the East and West 1/4 line and the POB. **ALSO EXCEPT:** That part sold to the Detroit & Mackinac Railroad Company for right-of-way. Containing 64.8 acres of land, more or less, and subject to and including easements, restrictions, and reservations of record, if any.

Seller: RDM Properties, LLC, Saginaw, Michigan

Option Expires: January 22, 2008

Property Taxes: The property taxes for 2006 were \$1,214.51.

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) Calendar and is eligible for approval on December 3, 2007.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
Keith J. Charters, Chair • Mary Brown • Hurley J. Coleman, Jr. • Darnell Earley • John Madigan • J. R. Richardson • Frank Wheatlake

STEVENS T. MASON BUILDING • P.O. BOX 30028 • LANSING, MICHIGAN 48909-7528
www.michigan.gov/dnr • (517) 373-2329

Great Lakes, Great Times, Great Outdoors!

Comments:

The offered private property is vacant, contains a total of 64.8 acres, and is located adjacent to and south of Aloha State Park, and the Alpena to Mackinaw Trail. The southerly one-half of the parcel is generally clear open meadowland with scattered hardwoods and 330 feet of frontage on the north side of Pioneer Road, one-quarter mile west of the intersection of Pioneer Road and M-33. The northerly one-half of the property is covered in a mix of hardwoods, transitioning to a mix of lowland conifers including cedar, fir, spruce, and pine. The land is generally level to sloping with a gradual drop in elevation from the southern road frontage to the northerly boundary. Some low wet areas can be found along the northerly property line where cedar is the predominant cover.

The property will be managed by the Parks and Recreation Division as an integral part of Aloha State Park. This addition will allow the relocation of the park entrance from its current location in the congested commercial district of the Village of Aloha, to the frontage on Pioneer Road. This will also eliminate the long standing problem of the current entrance drive crossing the Alpena to Mackinaw Trail. In addition to the relocation of the entrance, acquiring this parcel enables the expansion and redevelopment of camping facilities at this popular campground.

The purchase will include any mineral rights owned by the Seller.

Recommendation:

That this tract be approved for purchase with payment to be made from the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund.

David E. Freed, Chief
Land and Facilities

Ronald A. Olson, Chief
Parks and Recreation

Lynne M. Boyd, Chief
Forest Mineral and Fire Management

Arminda S. Koch
Resource Management Deputy

Dennis R. Fedewa
Chief Deputy

I approve the staff recommendation.

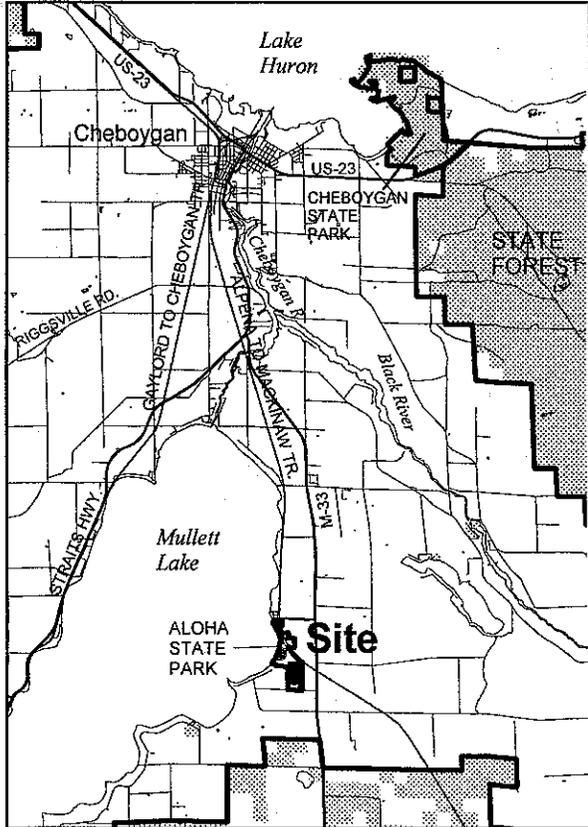
Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

Date Approved

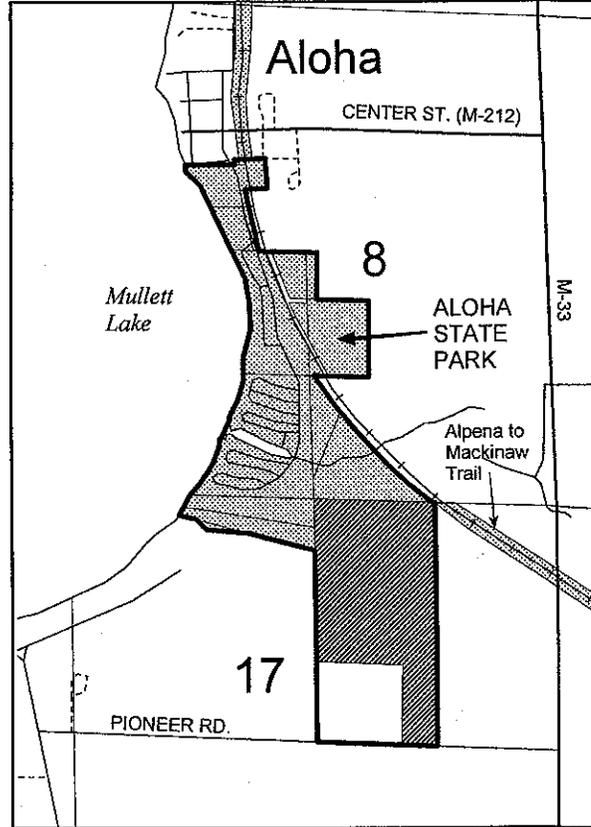
PARKS AND RECREATION LAND ACQUISITION

Aloha State Park - Cheboygan County

Land Transaction Case #20060078

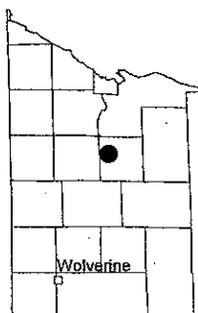


Regional Location



Section 17, T36N, R01W, Aloha Township

- State Park or State Forest Boundary
- Land Offered to DNR (64.80 acres, more or less - \$160,000.00)
- State Land
- Private Land



CHEBOYGAN COUNTY



DNR-FMFM
 Dnrgis1:\Com_Memo\memo
 20060078.apr
 11-06-07