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February 9, 2009

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Dedicated State-owned Land
Grayling Management Unit – Crawford County
Land Transaction Case #20070192

Applicant: Hank William Abney, Grayling, Michigan

**State Land Desired
By Purchase:** Crawford County, Grayling Township, T27N, R03W,
That part of the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 29 lying east of the centerline of the Lewiston Grade Road; AND all that part of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 32 lying northerly of a line that is parallel to the north line of said Section 32 and intersects the east line of said NW ¼ of the NW ¼ at the point where the southeasterly right-of-way line of the old Lewiston Grade Railroad corridor crosses said east line and lying easterly of the centerline of the Lewiston Grade Road. ALSO, that part of the old Lewiston Grade Railroad Corridor within the NE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 32; AND that part of the old Lewiston Grade Railroad Corridor within the SE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 29 lying westerly of the I-75 Corridor. Containing 8.65 acres more or less.

Restriction: A development rights restriction will encumber the desired land, prohibiting the construction and/or placement of buildings, dwellings, houses, residences, cabins, or any barn or building associated with a farm operation.

Sale Price: \$16,900.00 (includes transaction costs)

Authority: Part 21 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) February 23, 2009 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on March 2, 2009. The transaction was also posted in local newspapers as required by legislation.

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Comments:

The desired 8.65-acre parcel is part of the Grayling Management Unit in Crawford County, and is located approximately three miles north of Grayling. The desired land is comprised of two parcels. The first being a 165-foot wide strip of recently timbered land lying between a county-maintained road and the applicant's property. The second parcel is a section of the old "Lewiston Grade" railroad corridor that was purchased by the State in 1946. The majority of this corridor is being used by Crawford County for Lewiston Grade Road. However, the section proposed for sale is obsolete and surplus due to a reroute resulting from the construction of I-75.

The proposed transaction was reviewed by Department staff, and the sale was recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on April 24, 2008.

The Mineral and Land Management Section of Forest, Mineral and Fire Management has reviewed this transaction and determined that it is appropriate for the State to convey mineral rights as part of the sale.

The majority of the desired parcel was acquired by tax reversion in 1907 and 1927, with the remainder being acquired with State Game funds in 1946.

The Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF) Act allows the Department to sell rights in land and deposit the proceeds in a fund, which can then be used to acquire replacement property. Deposit of said proceeds will not cause the fund to exceed \$2,500,000.00, as stipulated by legislation. Proceeds from this transaction will be deposited in the LEFF.

Recommendations:

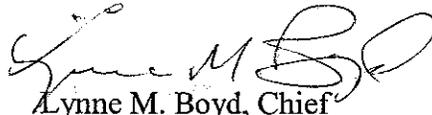
(1) That the sale (with restriction as noted above) be approved under authority of Part 21, Act 451 of 1994, as amended, with the State reserving aboriginal antiquities and conveying mineral rights.

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(2) That the proceeds from the sale be deposited into the LEFF.



David E. Freed, Chief
Land and Facilities



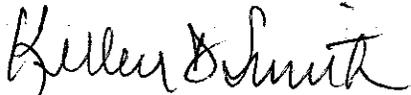
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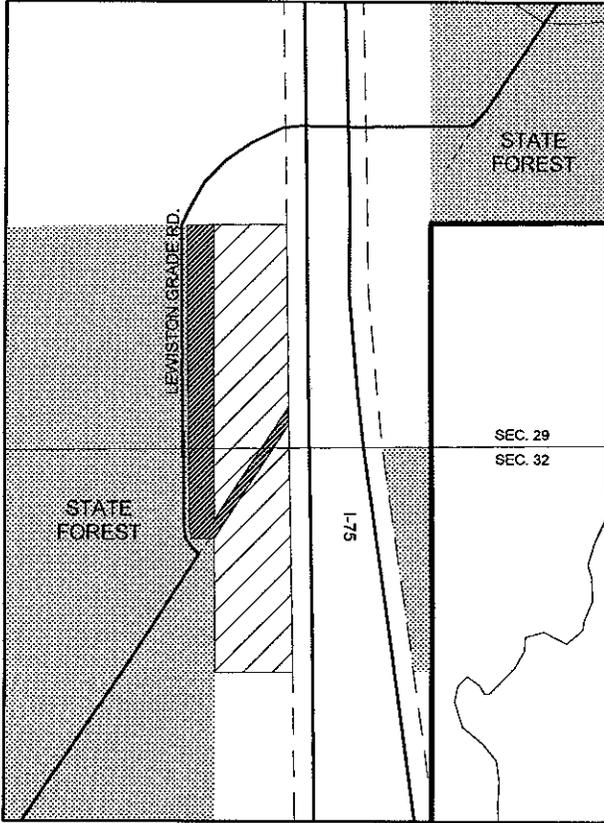
Arminda S. Koch
Resource Management Deputy

I approve the staff recommendations.

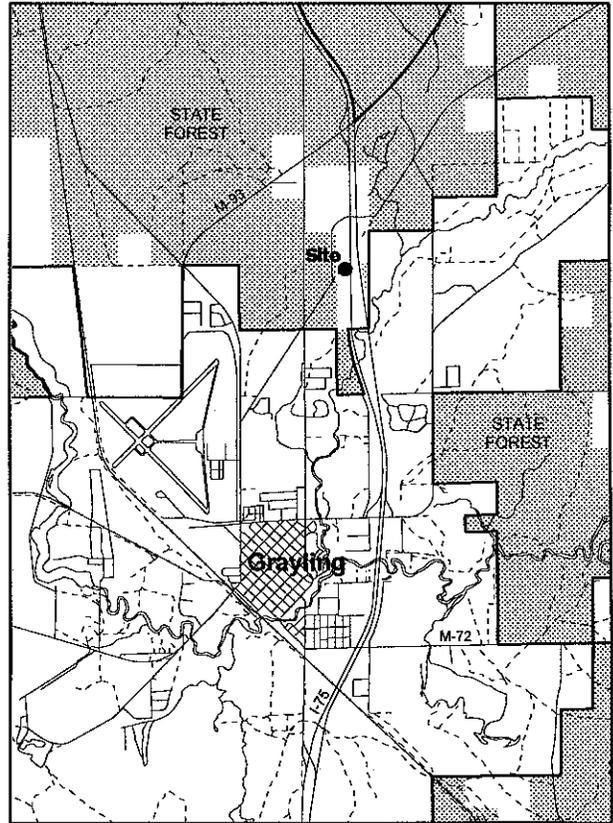
Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

Date Approved

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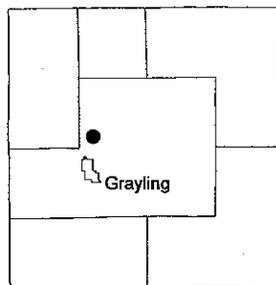


Sections 29 and 32 T27N, R03W
 Grayling Township



Regional Location

- State Forest boundary
- Highway right-of-way
- State land to be sold (8.65 acres - \$16,900.00)
- Applicant's land
- State land
- Private land



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