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TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Cancellation of Leasehold Rights Due to Tax Forfeiture  
St. Clair Flats Wildlife Area  
Clay Township – St. Clair County  
Land Transaction Case #20080026

Authority: In accordance with Public Act 451 of 1994, the lease on the following described parcel of land situated within the St. Clair Flats Wildlife Area was submitted for forfeiture by St. Clair County to the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) for non-payment of property taxes. The leasehold rights stand forfeited because of nonpayment of the property taxes for the years indicated.

Notice: This item will appear on the Department's September 2, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on September 9, 2008.

<u>Leaseholder</u>	<u>Property Description</u>	<u>Delinquent Tax Year (s)</u>
Richard Frahm	Lot 385 EXCEPT the Northerly 100 feet AND EXCEPT the Southeasterly 200 feet lying Southwest of the Northerly 100 feet Sni Bora Channel, St. Clair Flats 74-14-937-0166-000	2004, 2005, 2006

The land subject to lease forfeiture action is located within the St. Clair Flats Wildlife Area in Southeast St. Clair County, five miles Southwest of Algonac.

Certain State-owned land in St. Clair Flats is leased under authority of Public Act 451 of 1994, as amended. Taxes are due and payable on December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The provisions in the Act allow delinquent taxes to be paid any time up to December 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year. The St. Clair County Treasurer submitted the lease for forfeiture because of outstanding property taxes. Written notices of the tax delinquency were served to the leaseholder, the final notice by certified mail.

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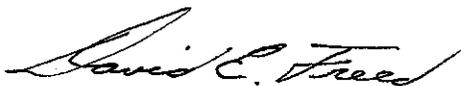
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The above-mentioned leaseholder failed to pay the delinquent taxes for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 despite receiving written notices. Pursuant to Part 339, Public Act 451 of 1994, the leasehold rights stand forfeited because of nonpayment of delinquent taxes.

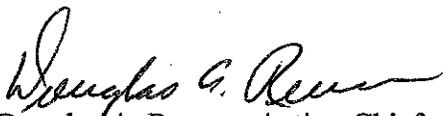
- Recommendations:
- (1) That a Certificate of Cancellation for the subject lease be issued and recorded under authority of Part 339, Public Act 451 of 1994, as amended.
  - (2) That the former leaseholder be informed of the cancellation of the lease.
  - (3) That the Department of Environmental Quality, Land and Water Management Division be informed of the cancellation of the lease.



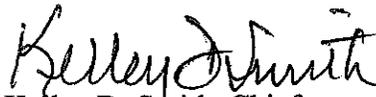
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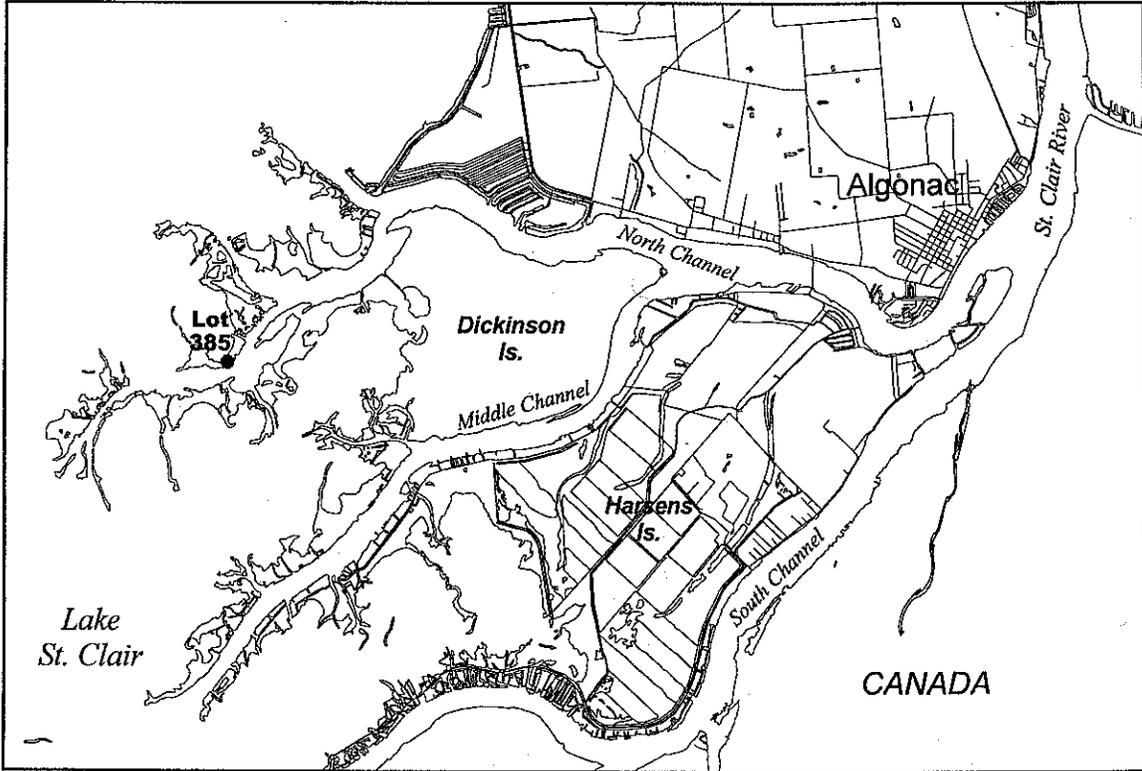
Ronald A. Olson, Chief  
Parks and Recreation

I approve the staff recommendations.

Rebecca A. Humphries  
Director

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Date Approved

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DUE TO TAX FORFEITURE  
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Lot 385, St. Clair Flats, Clay Township



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