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November 9, 2009

TO:	Natural Resources Commission
INFORMATION:	Rebecca A. Humphries, Director
Transaction:	Parks and Recreation Land Acquisition Thompson's Harbor State Park – Presque Isle County Land Transaction Case #20090289
Purchase:	80.0 acres – $112,000.00
Description:	Presque Isle County, Krakow Township, T34N, R07E, the S ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 16.
Sellers:	Marcia M. Gay, Sharon Lewandowski, and Lana F. Gilbertson, Rogers City, Michigan
Option Expires:	January 15, 2010
Property Taxes:	$616.00
Authority:	Part 5, Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended
Notice:	This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) November 23, 2009 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on November 30, 2009.
Comments:	The offered land is a rectangular 80-acre parcel located on the north side of US-23, 13 miles southeast of Rogers City. Access is via ½ mile of frontage along US-23. The entire parcel lies within the dedicated boundary of Thompson's Harbor State Park and abuts park land on three sides. The property is generally level with sandy loam soil covered primarily in scrub brush and young regenerating aspen, birch, and northern conifers. A powerline corridor is present on the property and parallels US-23.

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The property will be managed as an integral part of Thompson's Harbor State Park. This acquisition represents a significant consolidation benefit and will define the park boundary along US-23. In conjunction with the 2008 purchase of the 80-acre property ¼ mile to the west, the Department will secure the entire 2.8 miles of the southern boundary of the park west of the intersection of Old State Road and US-23. State ownership of the offered parcel will allow for more efficient habitat management activities on park land as well as providing additional recreation opportunities.

The purchase will include such mineral rights as are owned by the seller.

Recommendation: (1) That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, Northern Lower Peninsula Eco-Region Consolidation Project, Act 278, Public Acts of 2008.

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I approve the staff recommendation.

Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

Date Approved

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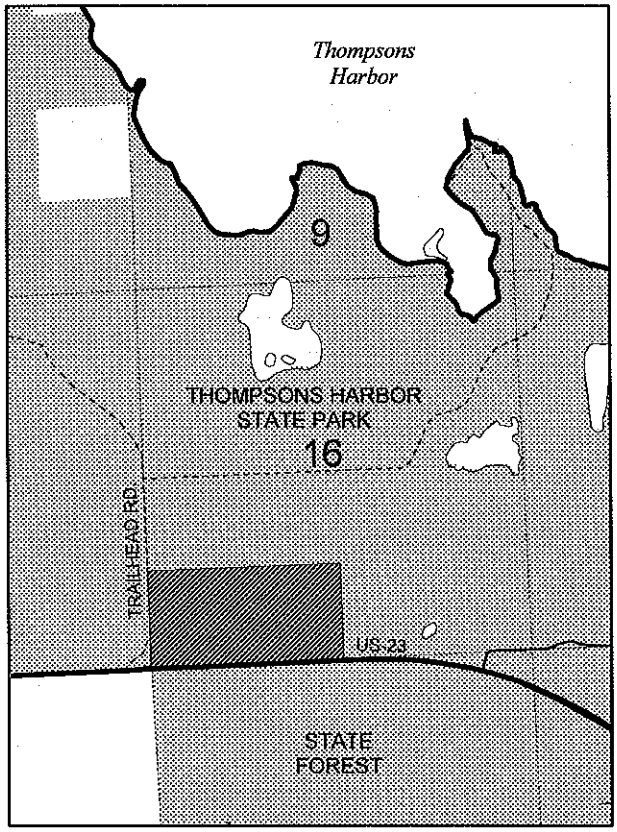

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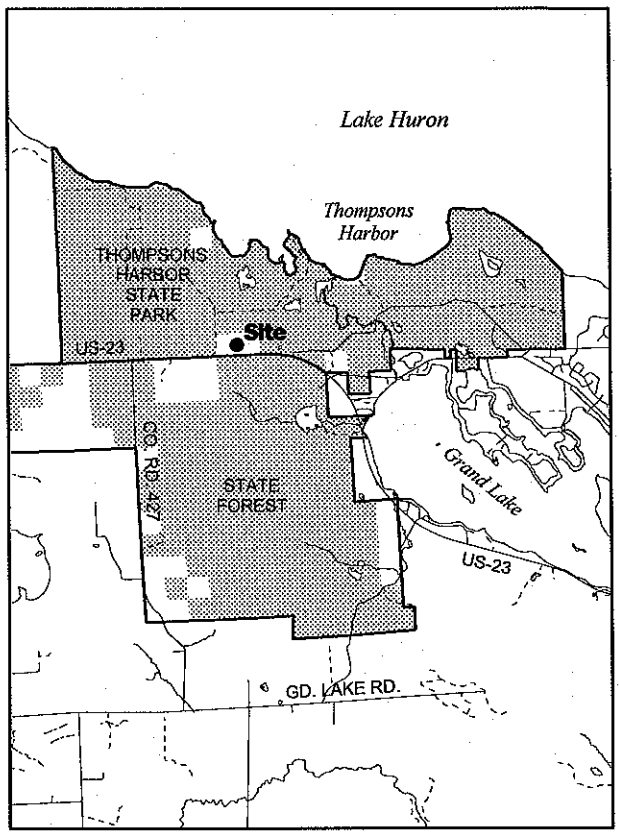


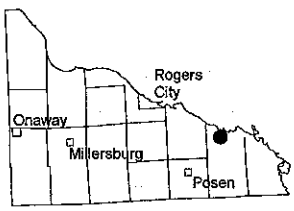
Regional Location

State Forest and State Park boundaries

Land offered to DNR (80.00 acres - $112,000.00)

State land

Private land



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