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TO: Dr. William E. Moritz, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Grant of Easement
Fred Meijer Berry Junction Trail – Muskegon County
Land Transaction Case #20160032

Conveyance: Easement to construct a 675 foot-long portion of a recreational trailway in Muskegon Township.

Description: Muskegon County, Muskegon Township, T10N, R16W, Section 7:
That portion of the Fred Meijer Berry Junction Trail, being 20 feet in width, and over and across the following described property:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 7; thence Easterly along the north line of said Section 937.02 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence South 1° 2' 20" West 22.68 feet; thence Southwest along a 100 foot radius curve, with a long chord bearing South 30° 12' 31" West, 133.24 feet; thence South 77° 22' 40" West 92.16 feet; thence Southwest along a 200 foot radius curve, with a long chord bearing South 59° 54' 56" West, 121.92 feet; thence South 42° 27' 10" West 337.26 feet for a Point of Ending.

Applicant: Muskegon County Board of County Road Commissioners, Muskegon, Michigan

Authority: Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) May 3, 2016, calendar, and is eligible for approval on May 10, 2016.

Management Purpose: This property will be managed as part of the non-motorized Fred Meijer Berry Junction Trail extending through Muskegon Township.

Comments: Parks and Recreation Division has partnered with Muskegon Township, and the Muskegon County Road Commission (MCRC) to develop a 675 foot-long section of the second phase of a non-motorized trail that is proposed to extend from Berry Junction to the City of Muskegon.

The trail construction will be funded with a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant. These are federal funds available through the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). To be eligible for the federal funds, the MCRC must show it has control of the property.

The grant of this easement will ensure that control.

Development of this property will contribute to the Department and Division goals and strategies by providing additional public recreation opportunities.

The property over which the easement will be located was acquired in 2016, with funds from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund.

Engagement: The Muskegon County Board of County Road Commissioners and Muskegon Township support this grant of easement.

Recommendation: (1) That the easement be granted in recognition of the applicant constructing a non-motorized recreational trailway.



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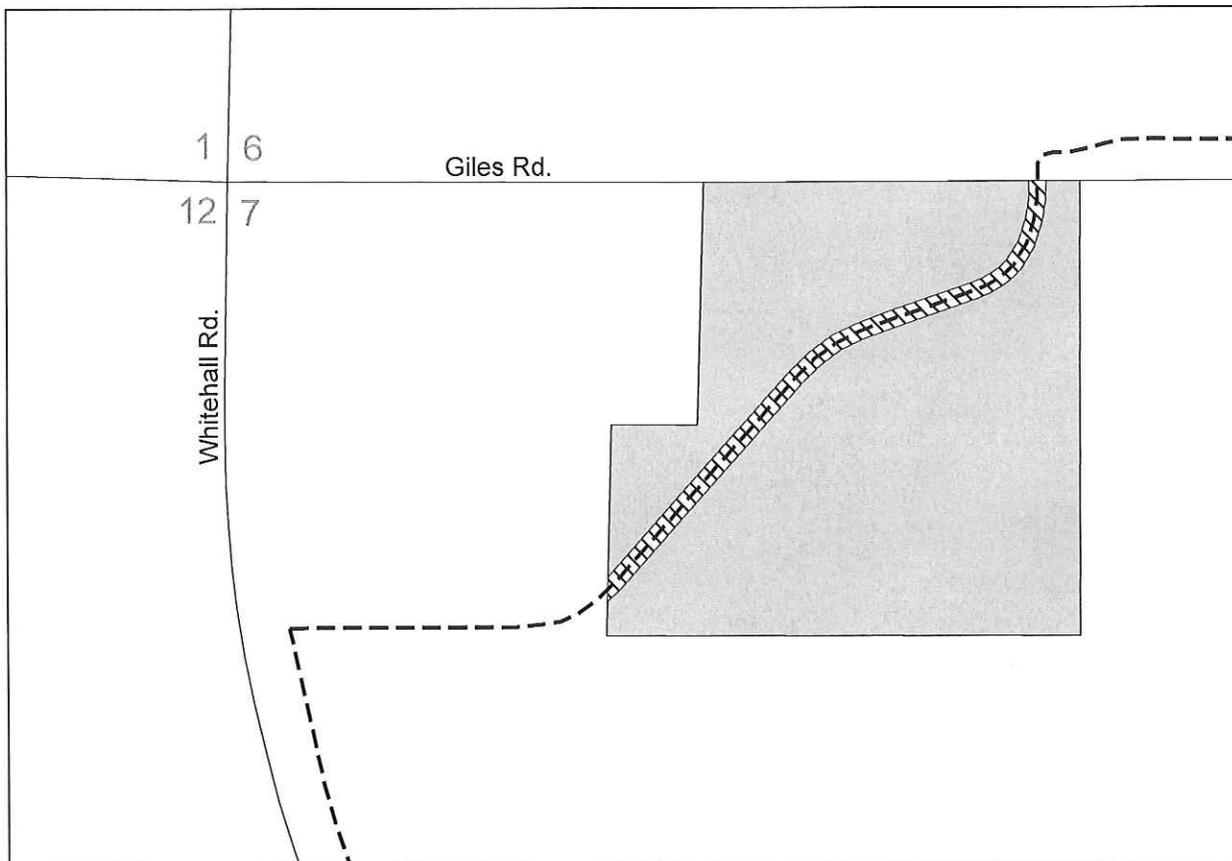
I approve the staff recommendations.

Dr. William E. Moritz
Director

Date Approved

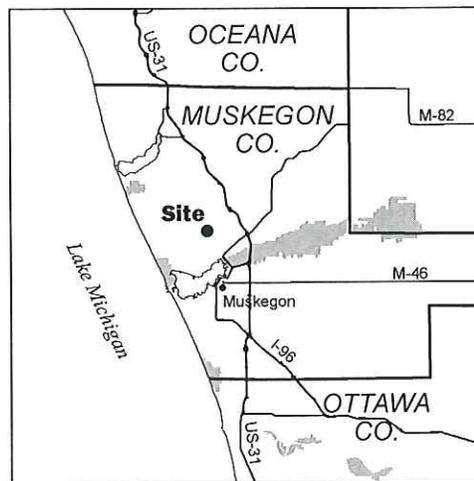
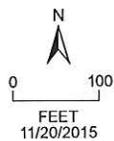
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Section 7, T10N, R16W, Muskegon Township

- Proposed route of Fred Meijer Berry Junction Trail
- ▨ Easement (20 ft. x 675 ft.)
- State land
- Private land



■ DNR Project Boundaries