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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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KEITH CREAGH
DIRECTOR

November 10, 2014

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Acquisition
Gladwin Management Unit – Clare County
The Cater Tract
Land Transaction Case #20120016

Purchase: 10 acres. \$25,000.00

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: \$176.81
This parcel is south of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in an increase of 10 counted acres. There are no excluded acres as a part of this transaction.

Description: Clare County, Winterfield Township, T20N, R6W, Section 36:
A 660 foot x 660 foot parcel lying in the NE corner of the SE1/4 of the NE1/4 and more specifically described in the case file.

Seller(s): Gary and DeBorah Cater, Farwell, Michigan

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) December 2, 2014, calendar, and is eligible for approval on December 9, 2014.

Comments: The Cater tract is located in Clare County, approximately 10 miles northwest of the city of Harrison, and is within the Gladwin Management Unit. The property contains the following characteristics:

- Adjacent to State-owned land – the parcel is adjacent to State-owned land on all four sides.
- Access – the property contains 660 feet of frontage on county local N. Hemlock Ave.
- Topography and cover – the property is level with adequate drainage and is mostly forested jack pine with some oak and red pine.
- Improvements – the tract is primarily vacant with a small fenced opening for a camp area that contains a picnic table and outhouse. An elevated hunting blind exists in the southwest corner of the tract.
- Wildlife - this parcel is located within the Kirtland's Warbler Management Area and provides excellent environment for their restrictive habitat requirements.

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The sellers will convey mineral rights relative to this tract, if owned.

Acquisition of this parcel will contribute to the Department's goals of consolidating State ownership, securing wildlife habitat, and increasing public recreation opportunities.

Engagement: Clare County and Winterfield Township have no concerns with this transaction.

Recommendation: That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund.


Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief for
Wildlife Division


William O'Neill, Chief
Forest Resources Division


James L. Dexter, Chief
Fisheries Division


Ronald A. Olson, Chief
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William E. Moritz, Ph.D.
Natural Resources Deputy


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Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

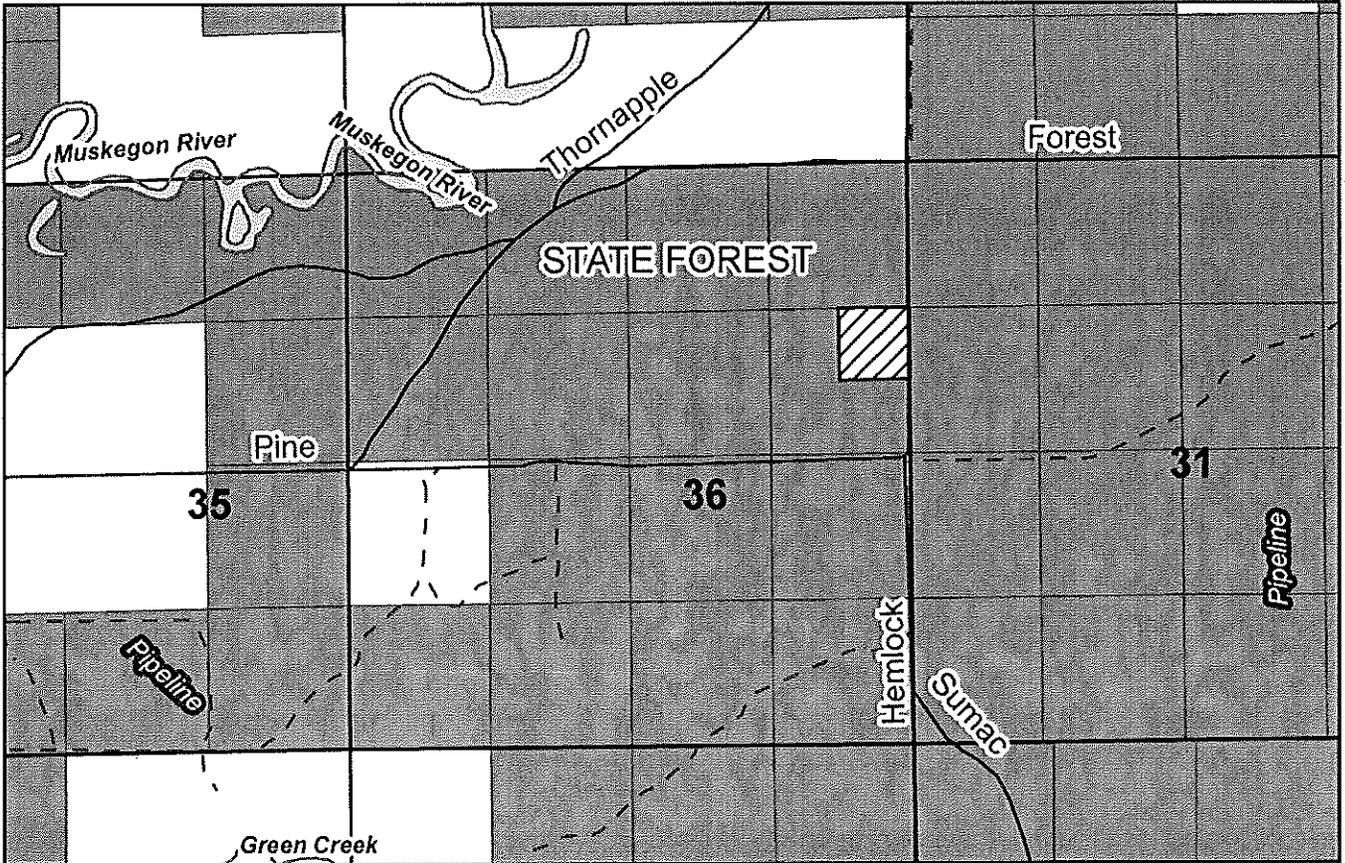
Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved

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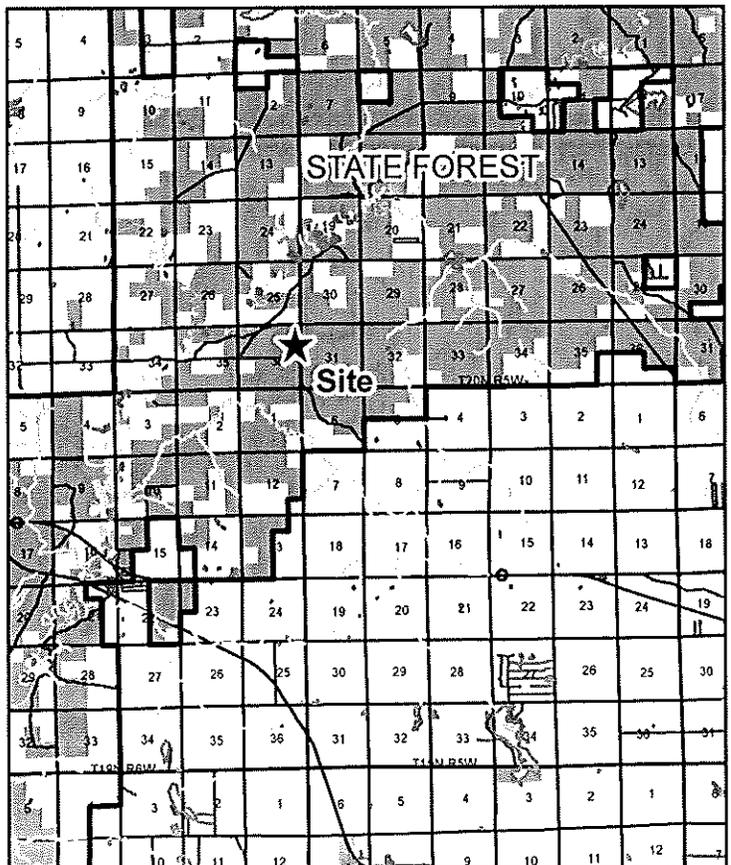
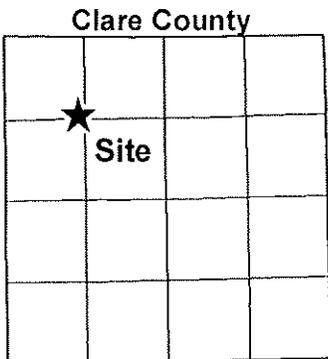
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Section 36, T20N, R6W Winterfield Township

-  State Forest Boundary
-  Land to be acquired by DNR (10 acres)
-  State Land
-  Private Land



Regional Location

