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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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KEITH CREAGH
DIRECTOR

November 12, 2013

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Easement Acquisition
Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit – Chippewa County
Bosley Access Easement
Land Transaction Case #20130130

Purchase: 30 ft. x 75 ft., more or less, \$3,000.00

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: \$0
This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will not result in an increase of counted acres.
Excluded Acres: the acreage is excluded due to being an easement and providing access to other land owned by the department.

Description: Chippewa County, Raber Township, T42N, R02E, a 30 feet wide by approximately 75 feet long (m/l) easement across the SW1/4 of the NW1/4, Section 8.

Seller(s): Mr. Harrison Bosley, Pickford, MI

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) December 3, 2013, calendar, and is eligible for approval on December 10, 2013.

Purpose: The offered ingress/egress easement will provide the Department and the public access to 2,500 acres of state forest land that has long lacked sufficient access.

Comments: The easement is located within the Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit boundaries in Chippewa County, 15 miles west of the village of De Tour Village.

The offered 30-foot wide ingress/egress easement is necessary to provide Department management and public access to more than 2,500 acres of state forest lands. Access is currently lacking due to the placement of Prentiss Bay Road, a county local road, approximately 75 feet east of the section line. This results in a small amount of private ownership between the county road and state land.

The easement is a critical acquisition for the Department as it provides needed access in this location. Improved public access is a top priority of the DNR-Managed Public Land Strategy. Secured access in this location will assist in planning for timber harvests, support healthy populations of many wildlife species and provide greater hunter access.

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

Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief
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

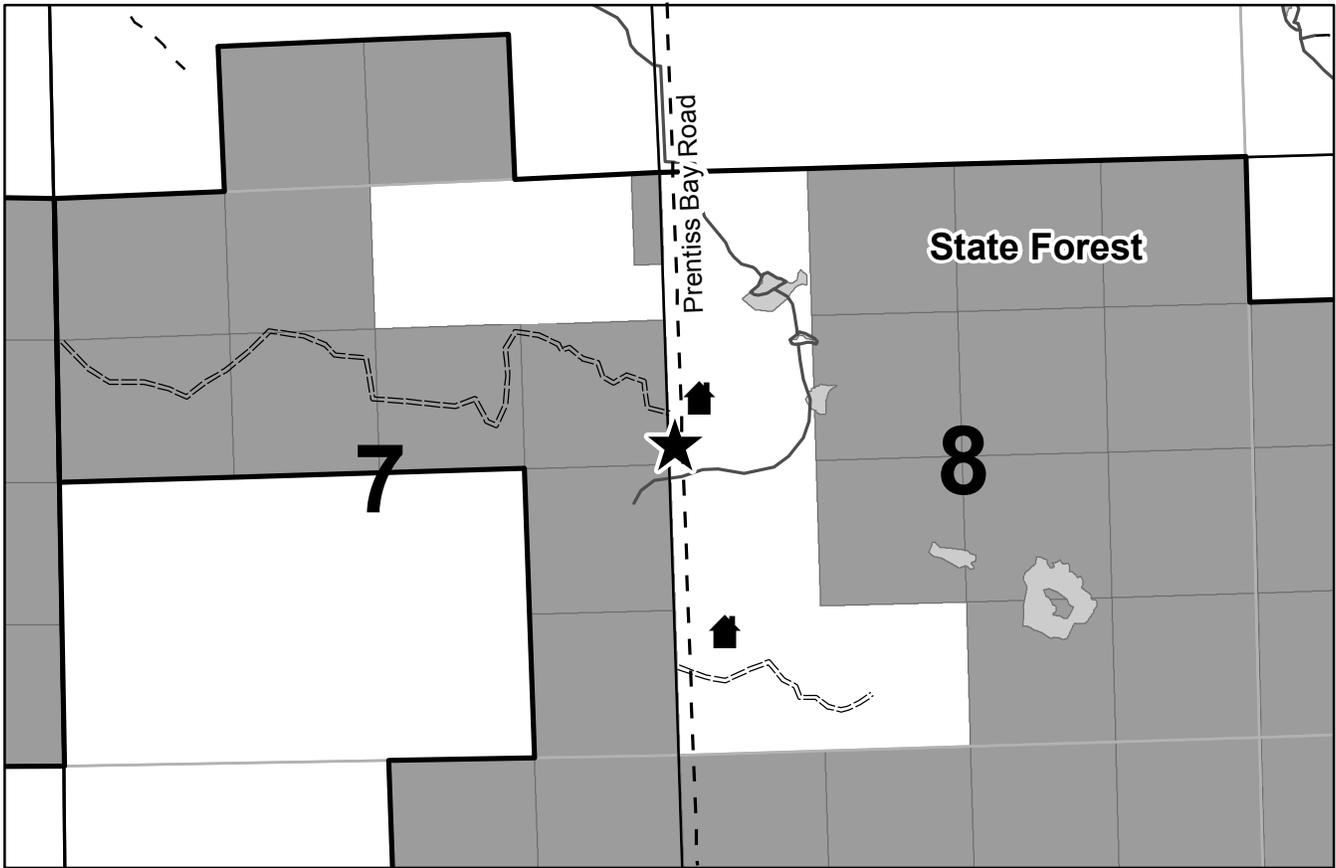
Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved

STATE FOREST EASEMENT ACQUISITION

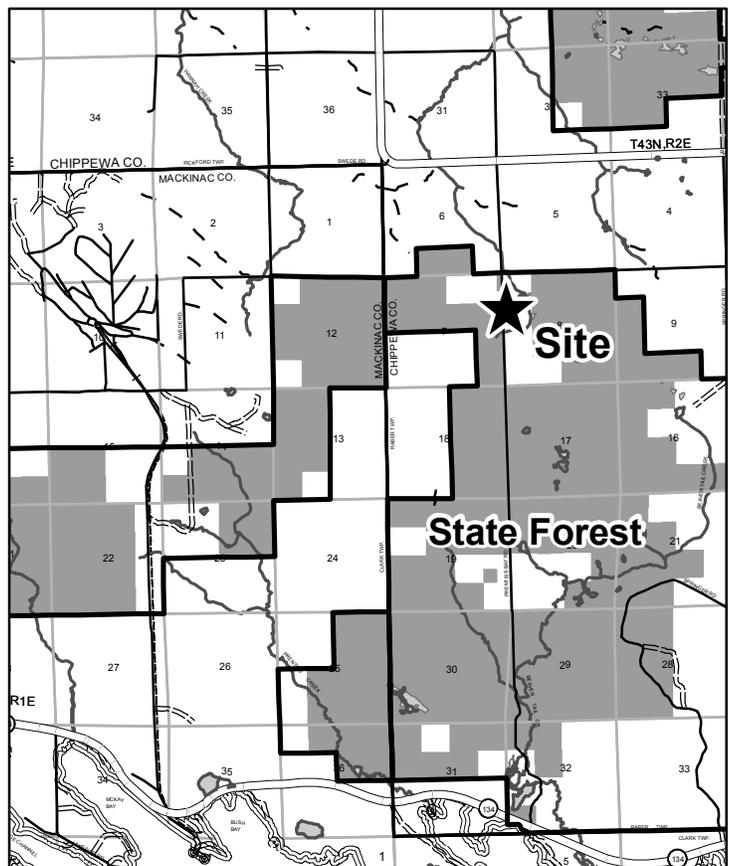
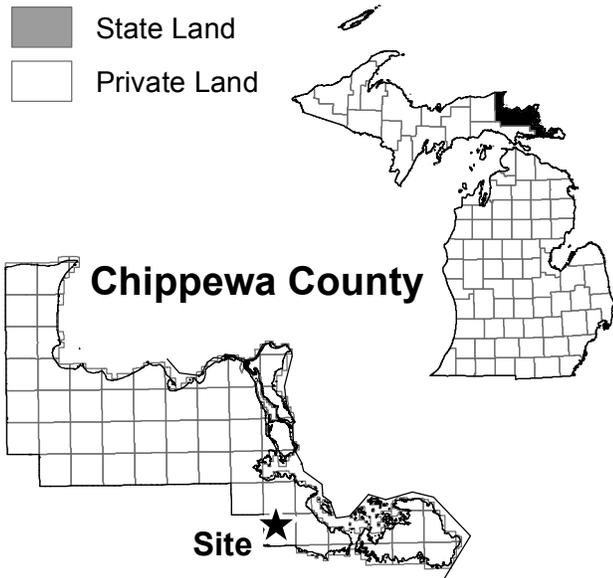
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Section 8, T42N, R2E
Raber Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Easement Location
- Bosley Property
- State Land
- Private Land



Regional Location



DNR -- Finance & Operations Division
 Real Estate Services Section
 11/04/2013

