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May 11, 2009

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Easement across Dedicated State-owned Land
Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park -- Kent County
Land Transaction Case #20080034

Sale: Recreational Trail Crossing Easement

Description: Kent County, Plainfield Township: Easement for ingress and egress over the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park, located in the SW ¼ of Section 31, T08N, R11W, as further described on sheet 2 of 2 of the Nederveld, Inc. survey dated August 26, 2008.

Purchaser: J.K. Masonry, a Michigan Corporation, Comstock Park, Michigan

Sale Price: \$5,850.00

Authority: Part 19 and 21, Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) May 26, 2009 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on June 2, 2009. The transaction was also posted in local newspapers as required by legislation.

Comments: The applicant desires an easement from the Department for an existing driveway across the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park. In addition, the southerly seventy-five feet of the easement is permitted to be used for parking. The route of the main trail has been relocated from this location and now runs along the edge of the Grand River. Thus, conveying the easement will not interfere with public use and enjoyment of the trail. Plainfield Township leases this segment as a local spur trail and supports this request.

This transaction for the proposed easement was reviewed by Department staff, and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on June 26, 2008.

The trail corridor over which the easement will be located was acquired in 1994 with funds from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) and the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA).

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Conveyance of the easement is subject to provisions of Public Act 295 of 1976, which specifies that the corridor must remain viable for possible future rail usage.

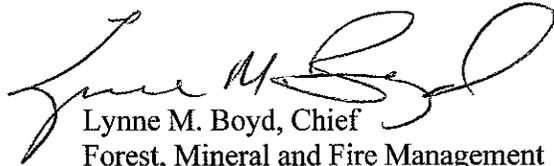
Proceeds from the sale will be deposited in the MNRTF and the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF) – Trailway Subfund. The LEFF Act allows the Department to sell rights in land and deposit the proceeds in a fund, which can then be used to acquire replacement property. Deposit of said proceeds will not cause the fund to exceed \$2,500,000.00, as stipulated by legislation.

- Recommendations:
- (1) That the easement described be approved for sale subject to:
 - (a) Bollards or rocks placed per Department specifications to define the boundary.
 - (b) The property maintained and used in a manner to assure that the property remains viable for possible future rail usage.

 - (2) That the proceeds from the sale be deposited into the LEFF – Trailway Subfund and MNRTF.



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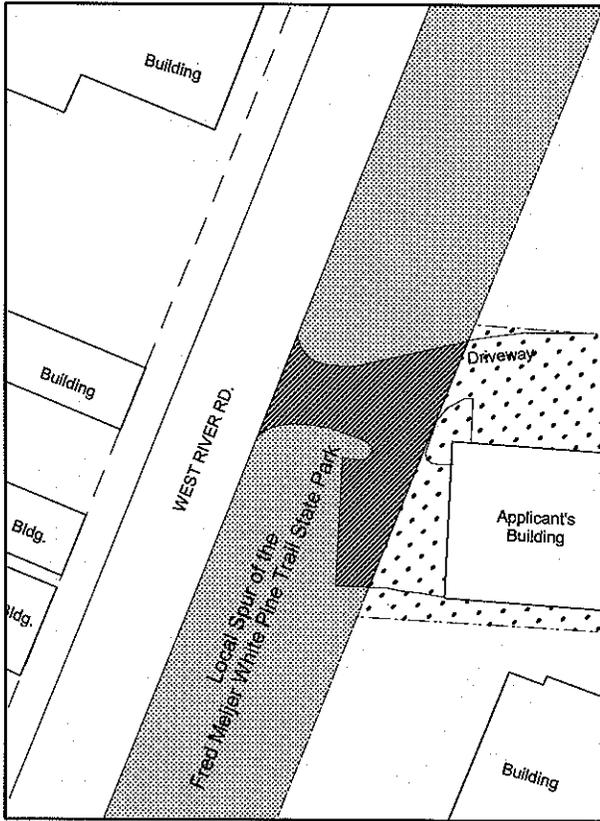
Arminda S. Koch
Resource Management Deputy

I approve the staff recommendations.

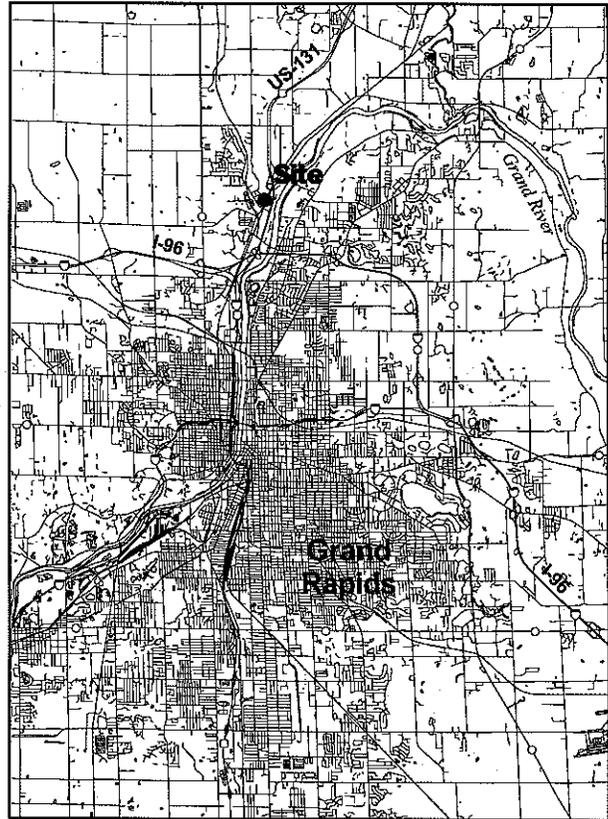
Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

Date Approved

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ACROSS DEDICATED STATE-OWNED LAND
Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park - Kent County
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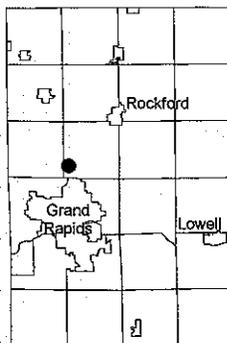


Section 31, T08N, R11W, Plainfield Township



Regional Location

- Property line
- - - Road right-of-way
- Desired easement area
- Applicant's land
- State land
- Private land



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