

**Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Division
Northern Lake Michigan Islands Management Planning Effort
Draft Vision, Goals, and Objectives
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Plan Vision: “Maintain ecological and cultural integrity of Northern Lake Michigan Islands while providing Island-appropriate recreational opportunities and effective administration of state-owned properties.”

Goal 1: Strengthen and broaden coalitions that focus on the effective stewardship of the cultural and ecological resources of the State-owned Lake Michigan Island Properties.

1. Establish a coalition with local and tribal governments and non-government organizations to increase capacity for stewardship on State-owned Lake Michigan Island Properties.
2. Collaborate with State Historic Preservation Office, Tribal Historic Preservation Office, and other partners to protect cultural/historical sites on State-owned Lake Michigan Island Properties.

Goal 2: Collaborate with partners to identify, monitor, protect, and manage important ecological characteristics on State-owned Lake Michigan Island Properties.

1. Continue to identify/document important ecological characteristics of Lake Michigan Islands.
2. Monitor key elements through time, as appropriate.
3. Use coalition discussions to help prioritize management efforts.
4. Provide education and outreach to increase awareness of important cultural and ecological attributes.

Goal 3: Facilitate opportunities for island-based recreation on State-owned land compatible with the maintenance of ecological and cultural integrity.

1. Collaborate with partners to create, improve, and maintain recreational infrastructure on State-owned Lake Michigan Island Properties.
2. Promote recreational opportunities on State-owned Lake Michigan Island Properties.

Goal 4: Develop and implement an effective framework for the administration of State-owned Lake Michigan Island Properties.

1. Identify roles and responsibilities for land management of the Island Properties across the MDNR.
2. Identify partners that can help meet administrative goals.
3. Identify and prioritize existing infrastructure issues/needs.