



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO: Michigan State Waterways Commission

FROM: Rodney A. Stokes, Director 

DATE: April 12, 2012

SUBJECT: Renaming the Parks and Recreation Division Resolution

This is in response to your resolution that you adopted last fall recommending an amended name change of the Parks and Recreation Division (Division) of the Department of Natural Resources (Department).

Upon receipt of your resolution, I did review your recommendation to add the word "Boating" to the title. I understand and appreciate the purpose of highlighting boating in the title, as it is a significant program that is managed by the Division with significant economic impact to the state.

I am leading the Department through a strategic planning process. The goal of the finished plan would provide this agency with a strategic framework for the next three to five years.

As we embark on this planning process, we will address the issue of our organization structure, as well as division and program names. We hope to complete this process by late summer/early fall. Therefore, I hope to respond to these issues with you at your October 2012 Waterways Commission meeting.

Thank you again for your support for boating and I look forward to visiting one of your future meetings.

cc: Mr. Bill Moritz, Natural Resources Deputy, DNR
Mr. Ron Olson, DNR