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PREFACE

The Au Sable River has the reputation for being an outstanding trout stream as well as being popular with canoeists, homeowners and other recreationists. The many outstanding natural values possessed by this river have resulted in 23 miles of the mainstream being designated by the United States Congress as a Scenic River under the Federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (PL 90-542).

It is the intent of this plan to develop management recommendations for the Au Sable system that will help to protect its many natural qualities. Under Michigan's Natural Rivers Act, protection will include not only the mainstream, but its important tributaries as well. This plan recognizes the state and national attention the Au Sable system receives and the ever constant recreational and development pressures it must endure.

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