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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

August 16, 2021

**TO:** Daniel Eichinger, Director

**INFORMATION:** Natural Resources Commission

**Transaction:** Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land  
Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit – Chippewa County  
Land Transaction Case #20210040

**Sale:** 14 acres

**Sale Price:** The parcel will be offered/sold to adjoining landowners at a value determined by the Department of Natural Resources (Department) or price will be determined at auction.

**Description:** Chippewa County, Drummond Township, T42N, R06E, Section 3:  
All that part of the W 1/2 of the SE 1/4 lying west of the centerline of South Maxton Road.

**PA 240 of 2018:** This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a decrease of 14 acres of DNR-managed lands.

**Applicant:** Identified as surplus lands to be offered to adjoining property owners or sold at auction.

**Authority:** Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

**Notice:** This item will appear on the Department's September 7, 2021, calendar and is eligible for approval on September 14, 2021.

**Acquired:** By Federal Government Exchange in 1931.

**Minerals:** Mineral rights will be disposed.

**Comments:** The parcel was nominated for disposal by local staff when it was discovered that there are at least eight driveways in trespass and ten landowners who access their adjacent private property off South Maxton Road. The location of South Maxton Road creates a strip of state-owned land between private property and the road. It is recommended to survey each parcel and sell to the adjacent landowners to provide legal access to their property and increase management efficiencies of the state forest.

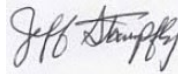
The proposed land disposal was recommended for approval as surplus by the Land Exchange Review Committee on April 15, 2021.

Proceeds will be deposited into the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF). The LEFF allows the Department to sell rights in land and deposit the proceeds in a fund which can then be used to acquire replacement property.

- Recommendations:
1. That the land be surveyed and offered for sale to each adjoining property owner for legal access to their private lands at a value determined by the Department.
  2. If the sale of land to any of the adjoining property owners is unsuccessful, that the land be sold at auction.
  3. That the proceeds of the sale be deposited in the LEFF.
  4. That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.



James L. Dexter, Chief  
Fisheries Division



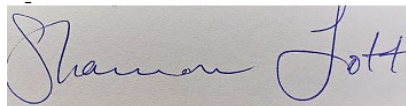
Jeff Stampfly, Chief  
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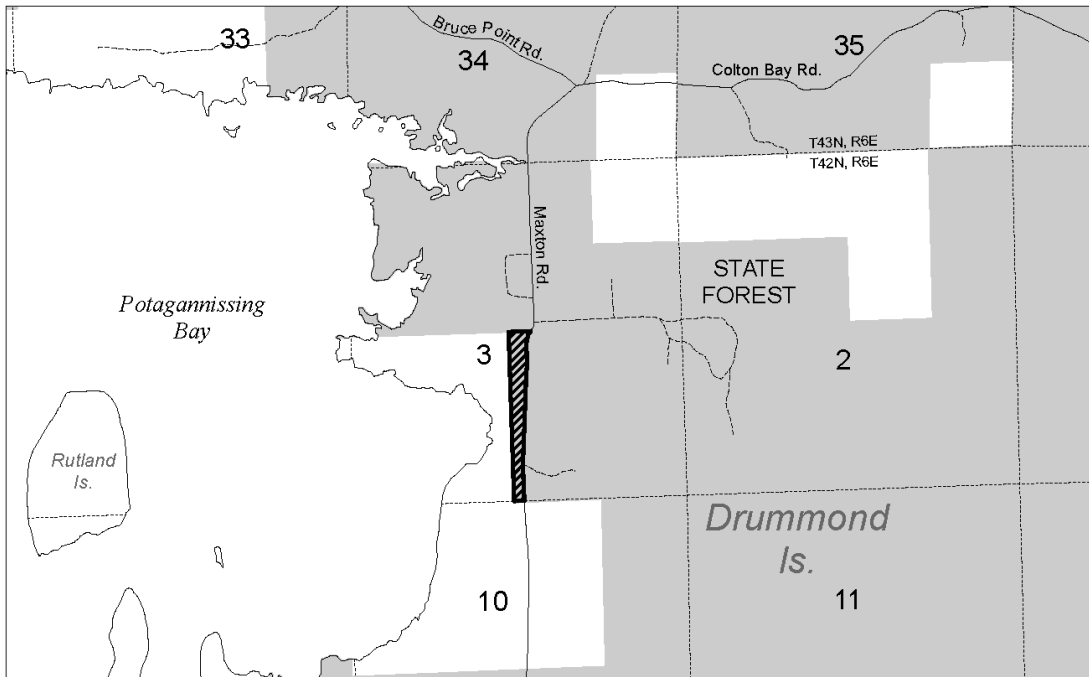
Mark H. Hoffman  
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.



Daniel Eichinger  
Director

Date Approved:

### SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit - Chippewa County Land Transaction Case #20210040



Section 3, T42N, R06E, Drummond Township

-  Surplus DNR land to be sold (14 acres, more or less)
-  State land

