

#### STATE OF MICHIGAN

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES





July 18, 2022

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Forest Resources Land Exchange

Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit - Chippewa County

The Drummond Dolomite Exchange Land Transaction Case #20180089

Applicant: Drummond Dolomite Inc., Drummond, Michigan

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$370.00

The parcels involved in this exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a decrease of 57.7 acres of DNR-managed

lands.

## **Private Land Offered in Exchange:**

Acreage: 81.6 acres - Fee Simple

209 acres - Mineral Rights Only

Location: Chippewa County, Drummond Township, T41N, R05E

Section 13 (Parcel 1): That part of the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 lying east of the shore of Lake Huron (also known as Government Lot 6), AND that part of the N 1/2 of the SW 1/4 lying east of the shore of Lake Huron (also known as Government Lot 5); 81.6 acres of fee simple ownership

(surface and mineral rights).

Section 12 (Parcel 2): The S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 (also known as

Government Lots 2 and 3), the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4, the N 1/2 of the SW

1/4, and the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4; 209 acres of mineral rights only.

Value: \$861,628.00 Cash at Closing: \$22,677.00 Total Compensation: \$884,305.00

#### State Land Desired in Exchange:

Acreage: 80 acres – Fee Simple

59.3 acres – Surface Rights Only 40 acres – Mineral Rights Only Land Transaction Case #20180089, Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit – Chippewa County Page 2 of 5
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Location:

Chippewa County, Drummond Township, T41N, R05E Section 12 (Parcel 1): The SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4, and the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4; 80 acres of fee simple ownership (surface and mineral rights).

Section 2 (Parcel 2): Part of the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 Corner of said Section 2, this point also being the POINT OF BEGINNING of this description; thence S89°25'54"W along the South line of said Section 2 a distance of 1314.53 feet to the West 1/16th line of said Section 2; thence N03°07'52"W along the West 1/16th line a distance of 1280.12 feet to the South 1/16th line of said Section 2; thence S47°34'35"E a distance of 1875.42 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; 19.3 acres of surface rights only.

Section 10 (Parcel 3): The SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4; 40 acres of surface rights only.

Section 13 (Parcel 4): The NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4; 40 acres of mineral rights only.

Value:

\$884,020.00

Authority:

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

Notice:

This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (department) August 2, 2022, calendar and is eligible for approval on August 9, 2022. Public notice of this proposed exchange was also published in the Sault Ste. Marie News on July 6, 2022, and is posted on the department's webpage at www.michigan.gov/publiclandnotices.

Comments:

The applicant desires the state-owned rights to expand current limestone mining operations. In exchange, the applicant is offering valuable mineral rights beneath other state-owned surface, and full ownership to a parcel that is adjacent to other state-owned land that will provide consolidation and public access to Lake Huron.

The state will reserve an easement for ingress and egress for road and recreational trail purposes across the desired lands in Section 12 and Section 2. Full details of this easement reservation can be found in the case file.

The applicant will convey an easement for recreational trail purposes in the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 2, the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 11, and in the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 14, all in T41N, R05E, Drummond Township, Chippewa County. Full details of this easement can be found in the case file.

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Mineral rights will be transferred as indicated in this memo above.

The desired lands in Section 12 were acquired by Federal Government Exchange in 1931 and 1960. The desired surface rights in Sections 2 and 10 were purchased with State Game Fund in 1946 with mineral rights currently held by Drummond Dolomite. The desired mineral rights in Section 13 were acquired by Federal Government Exchange in 1931, and the surface rights were sold in 1935 with surface rights currently held by Drummond Dolomite.

The proposed land exchange was recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on October 21, 2021.

### Recommendations:

- 1. That the exchange be approved, with the state reserving an easement and aboriginal antiquities on the desired state-owned land.
- 2. That the offered lands be dedicated as part of the Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit.

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James L. Dexter, Chief **Fisheries Division** 

Ronald A. Olson, Chief Parks and Recreation Division

**Shannon Lott Natural Resources Deputy** 

**Daniel Eichinger** 

Director

I approve the staff recommendations.

Jeff Stampfly, Chief

Jared Duquette, Chief Wildlife Division

Mark H. Hoffman

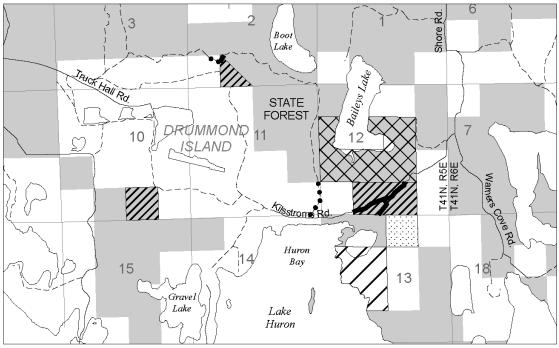
Chief Administrative Officer

Forest Resources Division

Date Approved:

## FOREST RESOURCES LAND EXCHANGE

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Sections 2, 10-14, T41N-R05E, Drummond Township

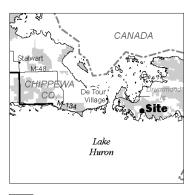
- State land desired from DNR (139.3 acres)
- State mineral rights desired from DNR (40 acres)
- Land offered to DNR in exchange (81.6 acres)
- Mineral rights offered to DNR in exchange (209 acres)
- State land
- Easements to be retained by DNR
- ••• Easements to be acquired by DNR

Note:

Details of the mineral rights associated with this transaction are described in the memo narrative







DNR Project Boundaries