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DIRECTOR

July 18, 2022

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Forest Resources Land Exchange
Baraga Management Unit – Baraga County
The Lyme Great Lakes Exchange
Land Transaction Case #20210058

Applicant: Lyme Great Lakes Timberlands LLC, Hanover, New Hampshire

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$360.00
The parcels involved in this exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in an increase of 4.08 acres of DNR-managed lands.

Private Land Offered in Exchange:

Acreage: 80 acres

Location: Baraga County, L’Anse Township, T49N, R32W
Section 31: Fractional SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 (31 acres)

Baraga County, Covington Township, T48N, R32W
Section 7: N 1/2 of the N 1/2 lying northerly of Highway US-41 (49 acres)

Value: \$ 76,000.00
Cash at Closing: \$ 38,000.00 (less \$3,500 appraisal fee covered by DNR)
Total Compensation: \$114,000.00

State Land Desired in Exchange:

Acreage: 75.92 acres

Location: Baraga County, Arvon Township, T51N, R30W
Section 1: N 1/2 of the NW 1/4

Value: \$114,000.00

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

July 18, 2022

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.

Comments: The desired land is isolated from other state ownership and contains a failing bridge that must be replaced. Due to the expense of replacing the bridge and the isolation of the state land that the bridge provides access to, replacement is not a priority. The offered land in L'Anse Township is surrounded by state land and acquisition will provide consolidation of state-owned land for increased timber management, wildlife habitat, and public recreation. The offered land in Covington Township will secure access to the adjacent state land to the north as well as provide 0.9 miles of frontage on a state designated snowmobile trail.

The state will convey mineral rights on the desired land. The applicant does not own the mineral rights on the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 7, T48N, R32W, but will convey mineral rights on the remainder of the offered property.

The desired lands were acquired by tax reversion in 1939.

The proposed land exchange was recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on June 17, 2021.

Recommendations:

1. That the exchange be approved, with the state reserving aboriginal antiquities on the desired state-owned land.
2. That the offered lands be dedicated as part of the Baraga Management Unit.



James L. Dexter, Chief
Fisheries Division



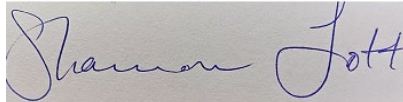
Jeff Stampfly, Chief
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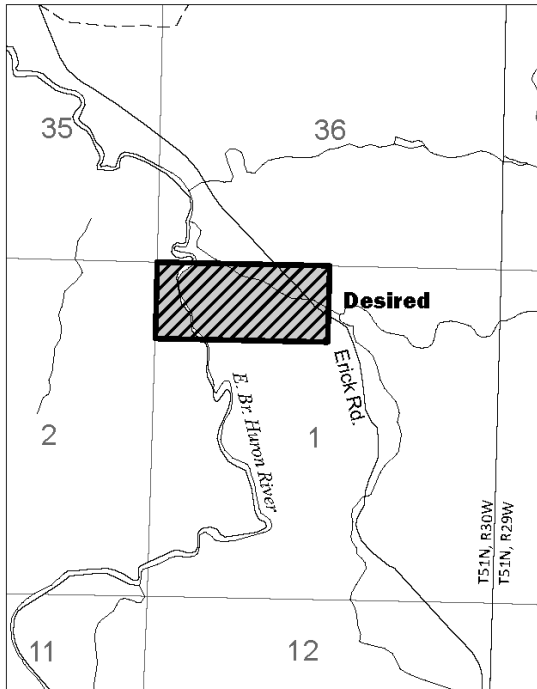
I approve the staff recommendations.

Daniel Eichinger
Director

Date Approved:

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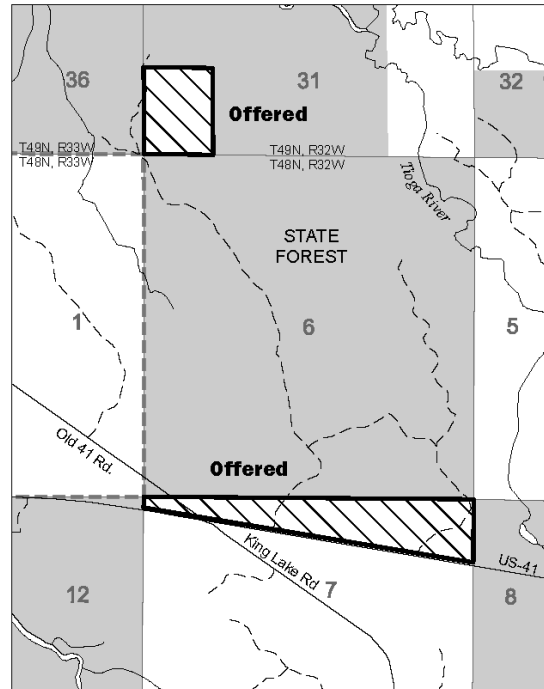
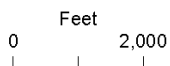
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Section 1, T51N-R30W, Arvon Township

State land desired from DNR (75.92 acres)

State land



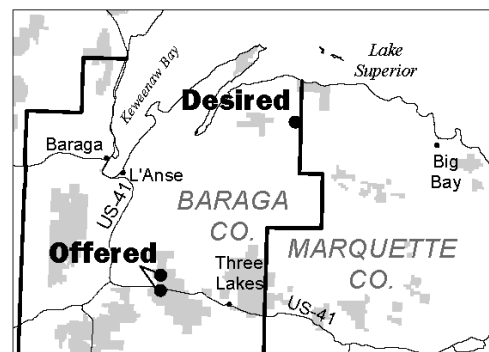
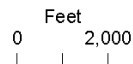
Section 31, T49N-R32W, L'Anse Township (31 acres)

Section 7, T48N-R32W, Covington Township (49 acres)

Land offered to DNR in exchange (80 acres)

State land

DNR Project Boundary



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