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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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SHANNON LOTT
ACTING DIRECTOR

June 12, 2023

MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Forest Resources Land Acquisition
Pigeon River Country State Forest – Otsego County
The Camp Pishtoning Tract
Land Transaction Case #20220205

Purchase: 404.2 acres - \$925,000

Funding Source: Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) – TF 21-0206

Description: Otsego County, Corwith Township, T32N, R02W:
Section 36 EXCEPT the East 3580 feet of the South 1980 feet and
EXCEPT the North 1600 feet of the South 3580 feet of the East 1980
feet.

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$9,200
This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in
an increase of 404.2 acres of DNR-managed lands.

Seller: Camp Pishtoning Limited Partnership, Hamilton, OH

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources
(Department) July 3, 2023, calendar and is eligible for approval on
July 10, 2023.

Management Purpose: Acquisition of this parcel will allow it to be managed as part of the
Pigeon River Country State Forest.

Comments: The offered land is a large tract of land with approximately 4,800 feet of
lineal Pigeon River frontage. The property includes approximately 70
acres of preserved wetlands, 80 acres of conifer swamp and
approximately 50% of the subject is forested upland. The property is
subject to a conservation easement which limits land division,
commercial activity, construction, and surface alteration caused by
mineral development. Acquisition will provide increased wildlife habitat,
timber resources, and public recreation.

The seller will retain the mineral rights on the offered land.

- Recommendation:
1. That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF).
 2. That this land be dedicated as part of the Pigeon River Country State Forest.



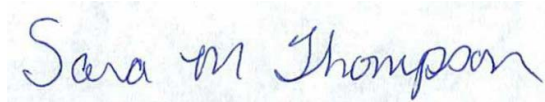
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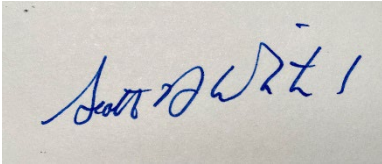
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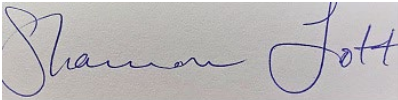


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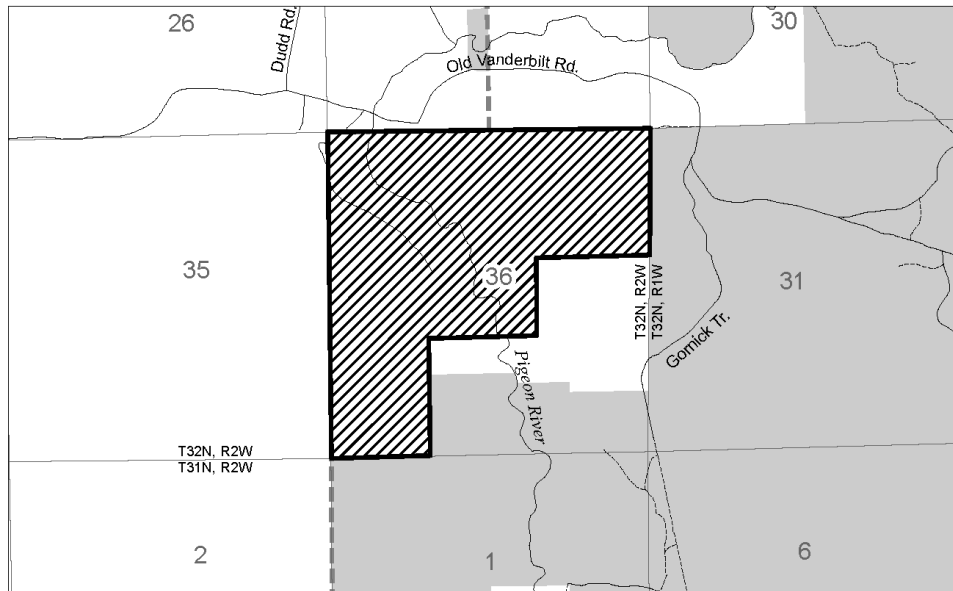
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

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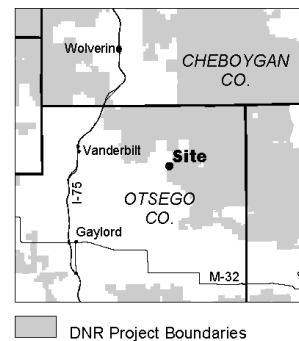
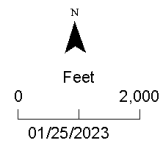
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FOREST RESOURCES LAND ACQUISITION Pigeon River Country Management Unit – Otsego County Land Transaction Case #20220205



Section 36, T32N, R02W, Corwith Township

-  Land to be acquired by DNR (404.2 acres)
-  State land
-  DNR Project Boundary





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MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Easement Acquisition
Newberry Management Unit – Luce County
Land Transaction Case #20220216

Purchase: Easement 1: \$1,000; Easement 2: \$2,500; Easement 3: \$2,100;
Easement 4: \$1,700
Four 30-foot-wide easements for ingress and egress of varying length.

Funding Source: Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF)

Description: Luce County, McMillan Township, T47N, R09W:
Section 15: A 430-foot-long easement over the N1/2 of the NW1/4 of the SW1/4 (Easement 1)
Section 15: A 1,370-foot-long easement over the SE1/4 of the NW1/4 (Easement 2)
Section 16: A 1,190-foot-long easement over the NE1/4 of the SE1/4 (Easement 3)
Section 15: A 930-foot-long easement over the SW1/4 of the NW1/4 (Easement 4)

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$0.00
There is no increased in counted acres as it is an easement acquisition.

Sellers: Easement 1: Mark Satkowiak, Kawkawlin, MI
Easement 2: Nigel and Heather Belanger, Portland, MI
Easement 3: Rex Clark, et. al, Saline, MI
Easement 4: The Culy Family Living Trust, Coldwater, MI

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) July 3, 2023, calendar and is eligible for approval on July 10, 2023.

Management Purpose: To secure permanent DNR management and public access over the existing Murphy Creek Road that runs across several private property owners.

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Comments: Acquisition of these easements will allow the Department to secure DNR management and public access over the existing Murphy Creek Road. This road has been historically used by the public and the DNR to access adjacent state-owned lands.

- Recommendation:
1. That the acquisition of these easement be approved with payment to be made from the LEFF.
 2. That the offered easements be dedicated as part of the Newberry Management Unit.



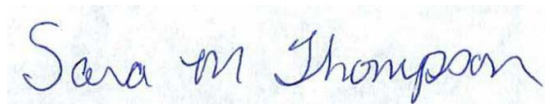
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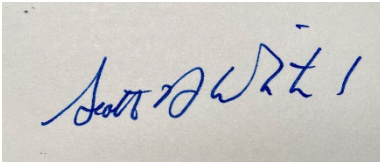
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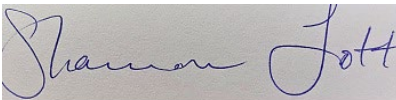


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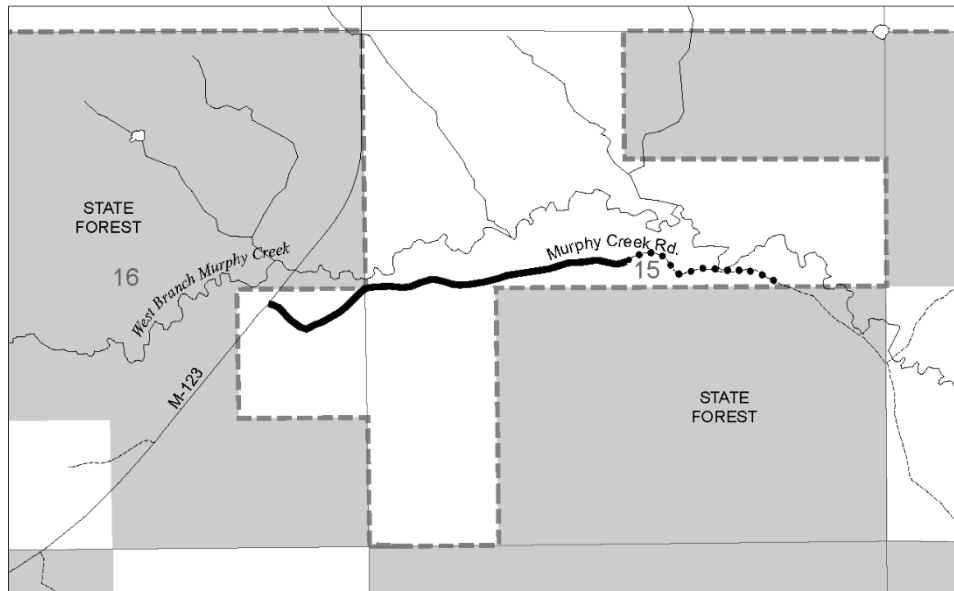
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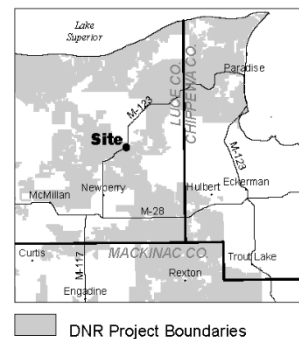
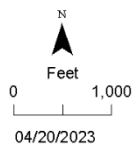
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FOREST RESOURCES EASEMENT ACQUISITION
 Newberry Management Unit – Luce County
 Land Transaction Case #20220216



Sections 15-16, T47N-R09W, McMillan Township

-  Easement to be acquired by DNR (30 x 3,920 ft.)
-  Existing public access
-  DNR Project Boundary
-  State land





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MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Wildlife Division Land Acquisition
Southwestern Lower Peninsula Region – Ionia County
The Rice Tract
Land Transaction Case #20220225

Purchase: 65.5 acres - \$470,000.00

Funding Source: Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (TF21-0161- Portland State Game Area Acquisition) and Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF)

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$ 3,337.49
This parcel is located south of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in an increase of 65.5 acres of DNR-managed lands.

Description: Ionia County, Danby Township, T05N, R05W
Section 22: Part of the NW 1/4, and
Section 21: Part of the NE 1/4, as more accurately described in the case file.

Seller: James, Lorraine, Jon, and Wendy Rice, Spring Lake, Michigan

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) July 3, 2023, calendar and is eligible for approval on July 10, 2023.

Management Purpose: The property will be managed by Wildlife Division as habitat for many species. Additionally, this property will add to the multitude of recreational use opportunities for hunters, trappers, fishers, and non-consumptive recreational users. The property will be managed by Wildlife Division as part of the Portland State Game Area.

Comments: This property consists of agricultural fields banded by strips of mixed hardwood forest with 850 feet of frontage on Sandborn Road. The entire westerly and most of the northerly boundary fronts on the forested bank of the Grand River. The entire southerly boundary is adjacent to State-owned land within the Portland State Game Area. This property will add to the multitude of recreational use opportunities for hunters, trappers, fishers, and non-consumptive recreational users.

The seller will convey mineral rights.

Recommendation:

1. That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund and the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund.
2. That this land be managed by the Wildlife Division and dedicated as part of the Portland State Game Area.



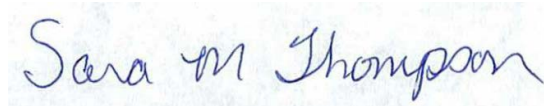
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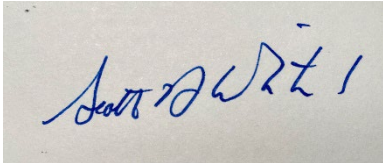
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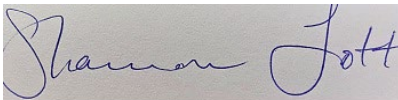


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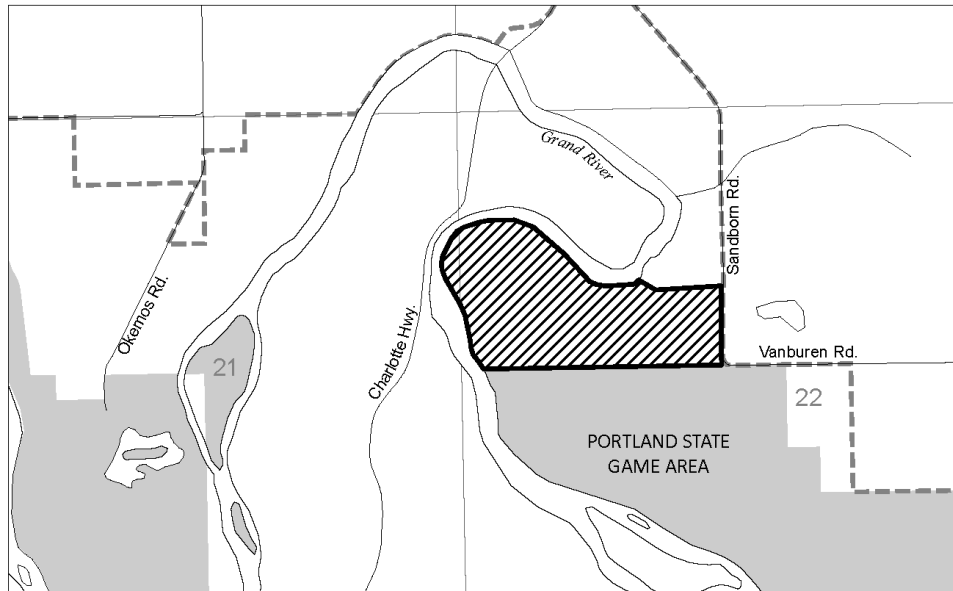
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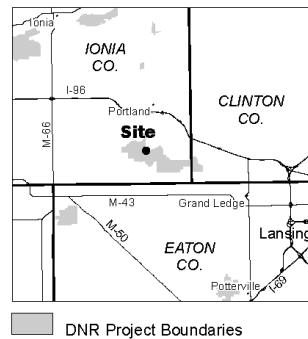
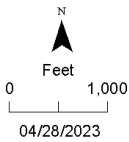
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WILDLIFE LAND ACQUISITION
Southwestern Lower Peninsula Region – Ionia County
Land Transaction Case #20220225



Sections 21 and 22, T05N-R05W, Danby Township

-  Land to be acquired by DNR (65.5 acres) State land
-  DNR Project Boundary
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Information: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land
Atlanta Management Unit – Montmorency County
Land Transaction Case #20220234

Sale: 36.34 acres m/l

Sale Price: \$76,000

PA 240 of 2018: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a decrease of 36.34 acres of DNR-managed lands.

Description: Montmorency County, Loud Township, T29N, R03E
Section 6: The North 230 feet of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4, except the North 100 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 AND the East 560 feet of the North 1548.05 feet of the Southwest 1/4 AND the East 560 feet of the South 430 feet of the Northwest 1/4.

Applicant: Montmorency-Oscoda-Alpena-Solid Waste Management Authority, Atlanta, MI

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) July 3, 2023, calendar and is eligible for approval on July 10, 2023.

Acquired: By tax reversion in 1929

Minerals: Mineral rights are currently under lease and will be retained.

Comments: The desired land is being requested by the applicant to resolve a trespass and provide room to manage and treat storm water and other concerns related to landfill management.

The proposed land disposal was recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on December 15, 2022.

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.

- Recommendation:
1. That the land be sold to the applicant for \$76,000.
 2. That the proceeds of the sale be deposited in the LEFF.
 3. That the state retain aboriginal antiquities and mineral rights.



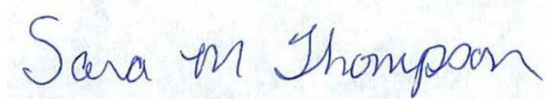
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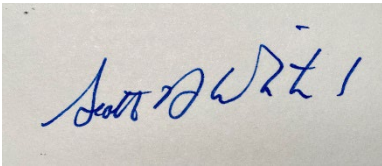
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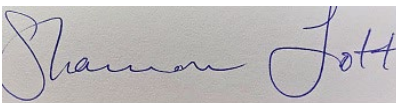


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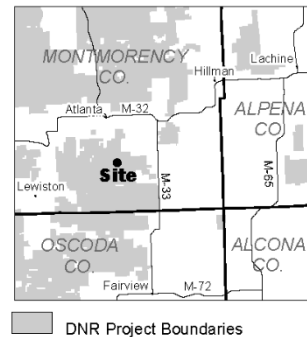
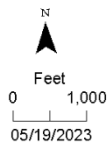
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SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND
Atlanta Management Unit – Montmorency County
Land Transaction Case #20220234



Section 6, T29N-R03E, Loud Township

-  Surplus DNR land to be sold (36.34 acres)
-  State land
-  DNR Project Boundary





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MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Wildlife Division Land Acquisition
Southeastern Lower Peninsula Region – Saginaw County
The Halcin Tract
Land Transaction Case #20220237

Purchase: 107.5 acres - \$322,500.00

Funding Source: Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF) and State Wetlands Fund.

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$1,243.87
This parcel is located south of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in an increase of 107.5 acres of DNR-managed lands.

Description: Saginaw County, St. Charles Township, T10N, R03E
Section 4: Blocks 1-6, 12-17 and various other blocks and lots lying E of Michigan Central Railroad in the Village of North St. Charles, and all that part of the W 3/4 of the S 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the section as more accurately described in the case file.

Seller: Josephine Halcin, De Tour Village, Michigan

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

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Management Purpose: The property will be managed by Wildlife Division as habitat for wildlife species and recreational use opportunities for hunters, trappers, fishers, and non-consumptive recreational users. The property will be managed by Wildlife Division as part of the Shiawassee River State Game Area.

Comments: This property consists of mature lowland floodplain forest with approximately one mile of riverbank along the Bad River. The property lies adjacent to and east of the Saginaw Valley Rail Trail. The property lies within the dedicated boundary of the Shiawassee River State Game Area and is connected to the field office via the Saginaw Valley Rail Trail. This property will add to the multitude of recreational use opportunities for hunters, trappers, fishers, and non-consumptive recreational users.

The seller will convey mineral rights.

- Recommendations:
1. That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the State Wetlands Fund and the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund.
 2. That this land be managed by the Wildlife Division and dedicated as part of the Shiawassee River State Game Area.



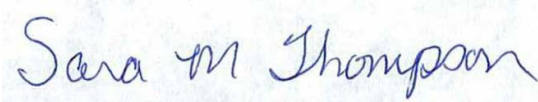
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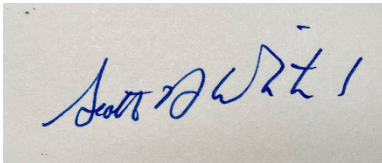
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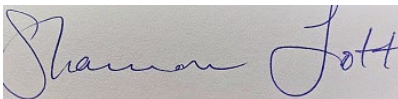


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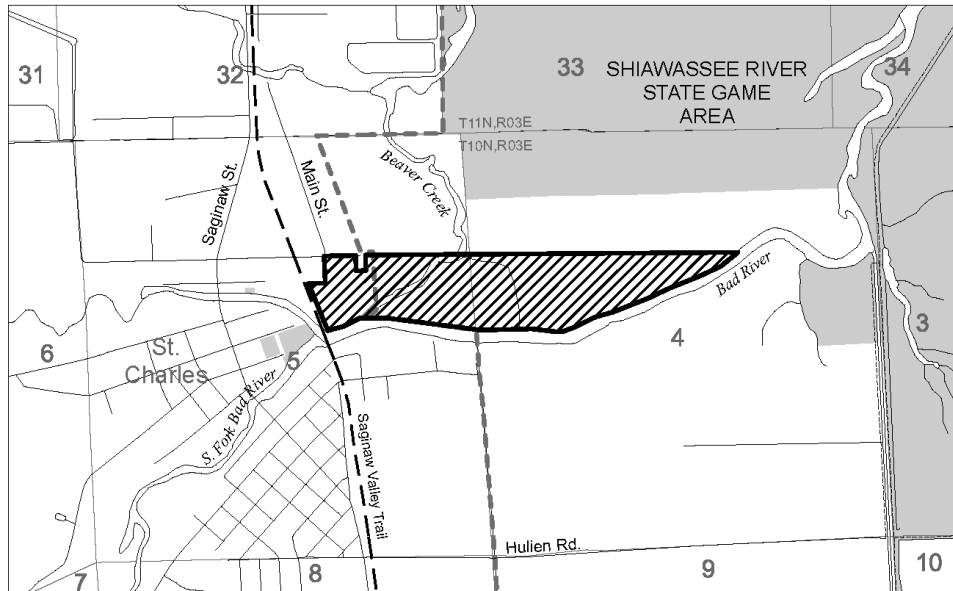
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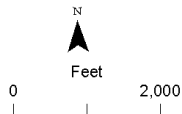
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 Southeastern Lower Peninsula Region – Saginaw County
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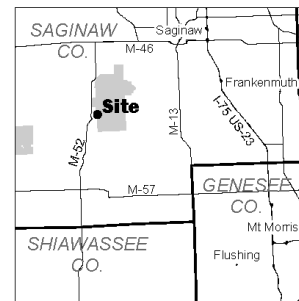


Section 4, T10N- R03E, St. Charles Township

-  Land to be acquired by DNR (107.5 acres)
-  State land
-  DNR Project Boundary



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 DNR Project Boundaries



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MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land
Cadillac Management Unit – Wexford County
Land Transaction Case #20230030

Sale: 0.09 acres m/l

Sale Price: \$1,000

Description: Wexford County, Haring Township, T22N, R09W
Section 26: The W 66 feet of the SW1/4 of the SW1/4.

PA 240 of 2018: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a decrease of 0.09 acres of DNR-managed lands.

Applicant: Wexford-Missaukee Intermediate School District (ISD), Cadillac, MI

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) July 3, 2023, calendar and is eligible for approval on July 10, 2023.

Acquired: By tax reversion in 1939.

Minerals: Mineral rights will be disposed.

Comments: The desired land is a strip of land that is surrounded by land currently owned by the applicant. The ISD plans to develop the surrounded land as part of their technical career program at the high school and access is needed across this strip of land.

The proposed land disposal was recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on April 25, 2023.

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.

- Recommendation:
1. That the land be sold to the applicant for \$1,000.
 2. That the proceeds of the sale be deposited in the LEFF.
 3. That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.



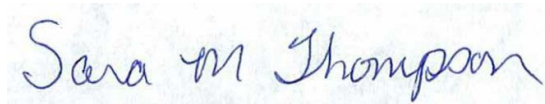
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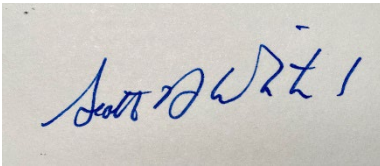
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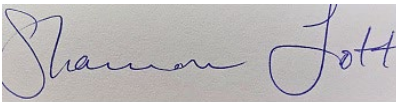


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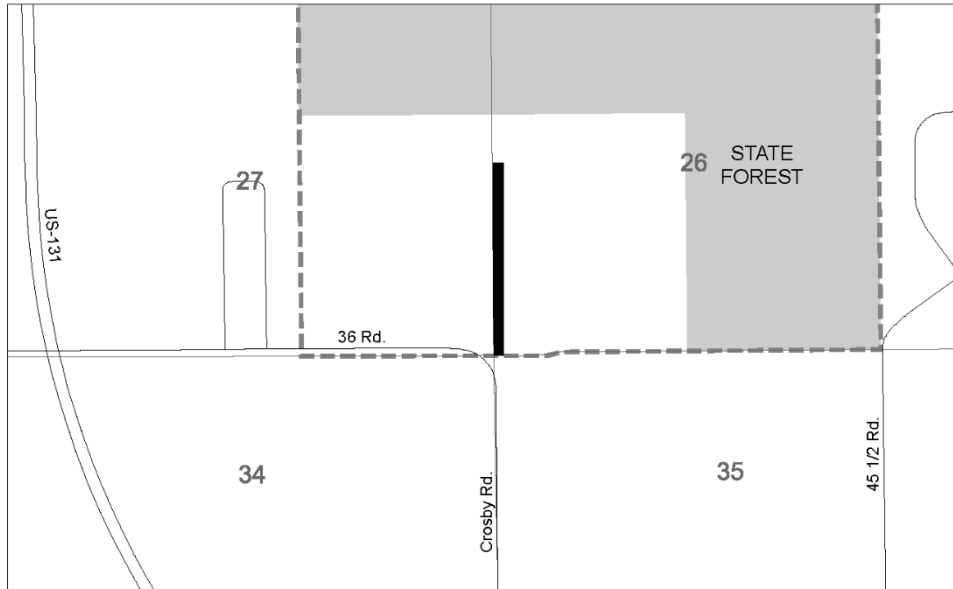
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SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND
Cadillac Management Unit – Wexford County
Land Transaction Case #20230030



Section 26, T22N-R09W, Haring Township

-  Surplus DNR land to be sold (0.09 acre)
-  State land
-  DNR Project Boundary

