CHAPTER VIII
Department Administered Lands and Facilities

8.1 Repealed. Am. 8, 2002, Apr. 13, 2002

Publisher's Note: The repealed order pertained to the power loading of vessels at state access sites.

8.2 State-owned lands, prohibited conduct, exceptions.

Order 8.2 A person shall not do any of the following upon state-owned lands administered by the department when the land is posted against such conduct except with written permission or when such conduct is performed as an official duty by a federal or state employee or local officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force:

(1) Possess ash wood (Fraxinus spp.) upon any state lands unless that ash wood is without bark attached.

(2) Possess regulated deciduous cut firewood on state lands outside of a regulated area.

(3) A regulated area means those areas as defined by the emerald ash borer interior quarantine, published by Michigan Department of Agriculture under the authority of insect pests and plant diseases, 1945 PA 72.

History: Iss. Am. 1, 2005, Post May 6, 2005.

8.3 Repealed, Am. 19, 2007, Eff. Oct. 1, 2007.

Publisher's Note: This repealed section pertained to the immediate closure of state-owned shooting ranges, campgrounds, state parks or recreation areas, state-operated, develop marina facilities and boating access sites due to a Statewide Government Shutdown.

8.4 Recreational gold panning and sluicing on state owned lands (state-owned mineral and surface lands); prohibited conduct.

Order 8.4 (1) Recreational gold panning and sluicing activities are allowed adjacent to and within rivers and streams on state-owned mineral and surface lands except for the following:

(a) Excavating, digging, or otherwise disturbing banks of a stream or river.

(b) Gold panning or sluicing in any stream or river segment if stream mussel beds are known to occur or are encountered while panning or sluicing.

(c) Gold panning or sluicing in designated trout streams, natural rivers, or natural areas.

(d) Use of a hand-operated sluice box larger than 52 inches long, 12 inches wide, and 6.5 inches deep, or any type of power sluice box or dredge.

(e) Removing gold in excess of one-half (1/2) troy ounce, or 15.55 grams, per year, per person, from state-owned mineral and surface lands and streams and rivers

History: Iss. Am. 2, 2009, Post Apr. 3, 2009.

8.5 State-owned caves and abandoned mines, prohibited conduct, exceptions.

Order 8.5 A person shall not do any of the following within a state-owned or department-administered cave or abandoned mine except with written permission or when such conduct is performed as an official duty by a federal or state employee or local law enforcement officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force:

(1) Enter any cave or abandoned mine, regardless of distance or depth, located on state-owned or department-administered lands.

History: Iss Am. 6, 2014, Post Apr 14, 2014.