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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
LANSING



KEITH CREAMER
DIRECTOR

August 31, 2012
Sent by fax to 231-258-0860

Bear Lake Township Treasurer
198 East Bear Lake Road, NE
Kalkaska, MI 49646-9759

Dear Treasurer:

Subject: Notice of Estimated Payments in Lieu of Taxes
DNR Land Transaction #20120051

In accordance with Public Act Numbers 240 and 294 of 2012, this notice is being provided to you as the Treasurer of the local taxing unit where the Department of Natural Resources is acquiring new public land. These Public Acts require the Department to estimate the amount of annual payments in lieu of taxes (PILT) on public lands that it is acquiring, and to provide that information to you at least 30 days before the acquisition. Please note that these are only estimates. The Department does not have the authority to determine the valuation of real property for the purposes of the annual PILT payments. Per MCL 324.2153 this authority lies with the State Tax Commission.

The following is a breakdown of the Department's estimate of annual PILT payments for public lands where Act 451 of 1994, Part 21, Subpart 14 directs the State to make these payments and for those lands where Subpart 13 directs the payment of taxes on tax reverted, recreation, and forest lands that are not covered under Subpart 14.

Subpart 13 – Estimated tax on tax reverted, recreation, and forest lands: \$0.00.

Subpart 14 - Estimated Annual PILT Payments: \$5,300.00.

Also, for your information I have attached a copy of a memo that summarizes this acquisition of public land within your jurisdiction.

Should you have questions, please feel free to contact me at Real Estate Services Section, Acquisitions and Exchanges, P.O. Box 30448, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7948.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures



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August 10, 2012

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Acquisition
Traverse City Management Unit – Kalkaska County
Zeeff Tract
Land Transaction Case #20120051

Purchase: 120 acres, more or less. \$179,300.00

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: \$5,300.00
This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in an increase of 120 counted acres.
There are no acres excluded with this parcel.

Description: Kalkaska County, Bear Lake Township, T26N, R5W, Section 20, N ½ of the SE ¼; AND the SE ¼ of the NE ¼.

Seller(s): Bradley Zeeff of Zeeland, MI.
Douglas Zeeff of Hudsonville, MI

Authority: Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) September 4, 2012, calendar, and is eligible for approval on September 12, 2012.

Comments: The offered parcel is located in Kalkaska County, near the west side of Camp Grayling and within the Traverse City Management Unit. The parcel contains the following attributes, which collectively make this a priority acquisition:

- Adjacent State-owned land – 100% of this property is bordered by State-owned land.
- Project boundary – the property is located within the Traverse City Management Unit project boundary.
- Access – access for the public and department staff will be via a two track road that crosses the adjacent State-owned land.
- Topography – mostly level with the majority of the property being lowland.
- Cover – the entire property is wooded.
- Improvements – the parcel includes a 792 square foot cabin, 120 square foot storage shed, and a 36 square foot storage shed. The seller has agreed to remove these structures from the property prior to the land being conveyed to the State.

Since the tract is bordered by State Forest land on all sides, acquisition by the Department will result in a reduction of 2 miles of property boundary that staff will need to monitor and maintain.

The sellers will remove all structures from the property prior to closing. According to the seller, the mineral rights were split from the surface estate in the 1940s so they do not own mineral rights.

Acquisition of this parcel will contribute to the Department's goals of consolidating State ownership, securing wildlife habitat, enhancing forest management, and increasing public recreation opportunities.

Recommendation: That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, Northern Lower Peninsula Eco-Regional Land Consolidation project.

Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief
Wildlife Division

William O'Neill, Chief
Forest Resources Division

James L. Dexter, Chief
Fisheries Division

Ronald A. Olson, Chief
Parks and Recreation Division

William E. Moritz, Ph.D.
Natural Resources Deputy

Mark H. Hoffman
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations

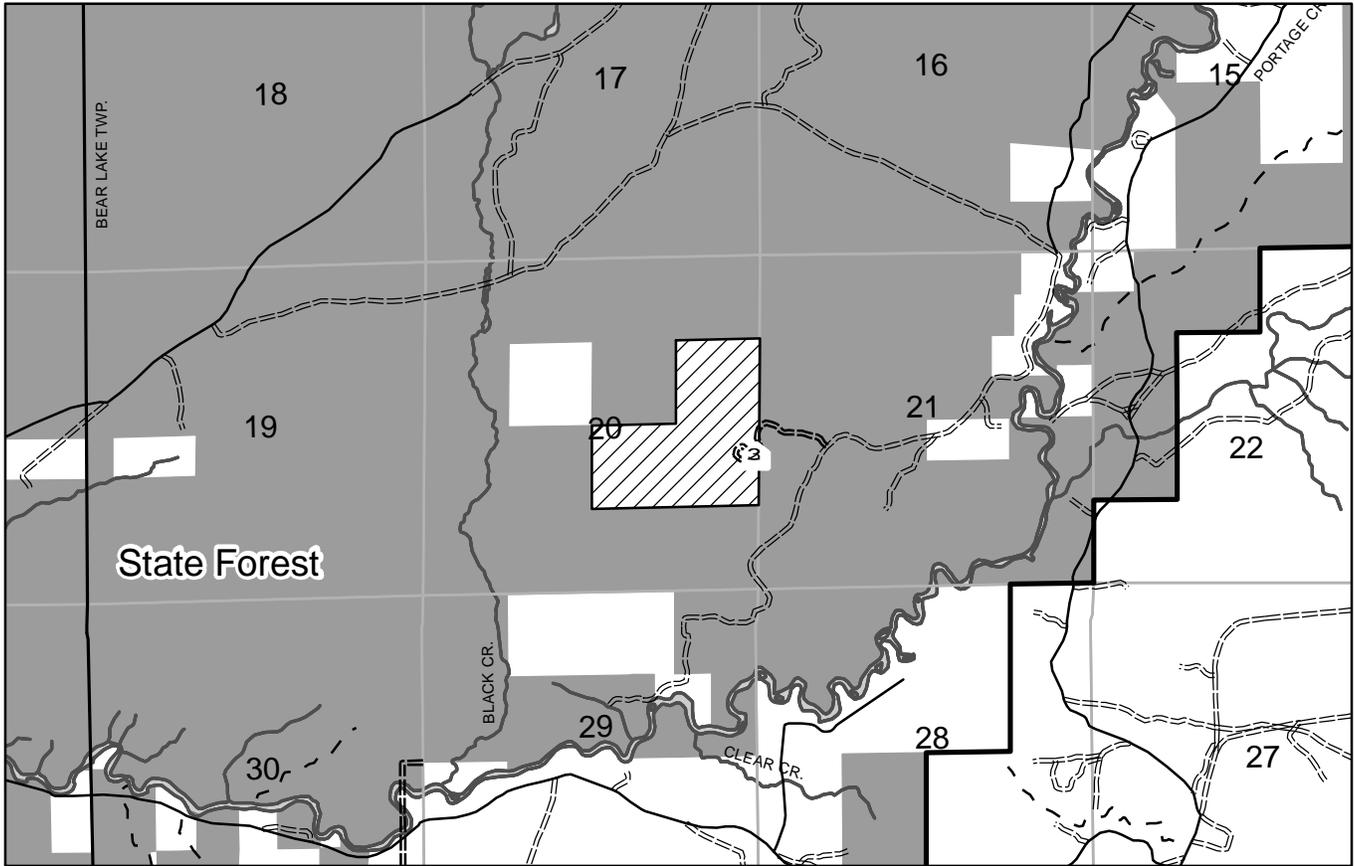
Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved

STATE FOREST LAND ACQUISITION

Traverse City Management Unit -- Kalkaska County

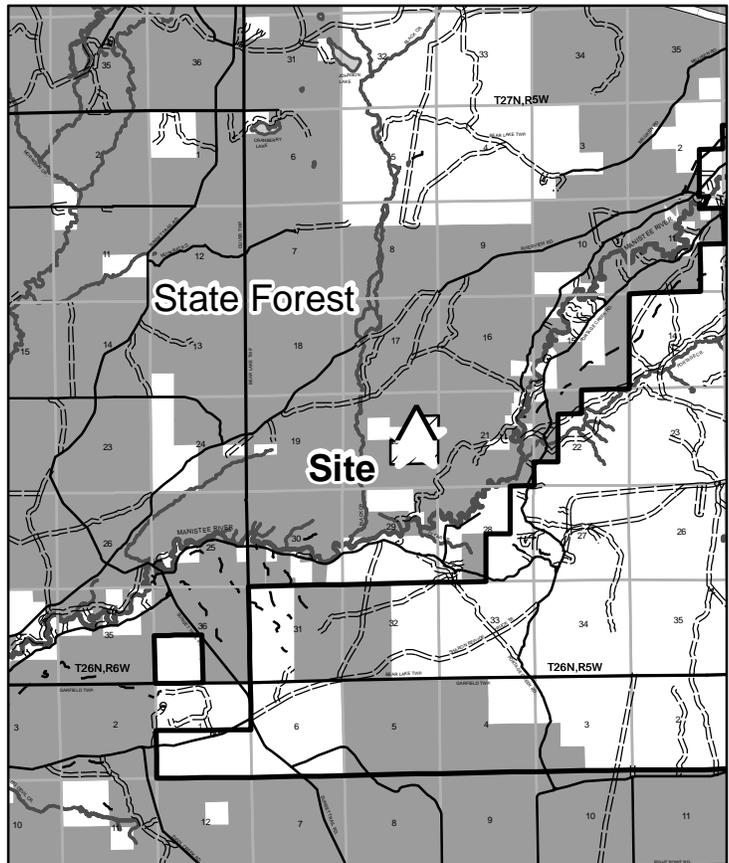
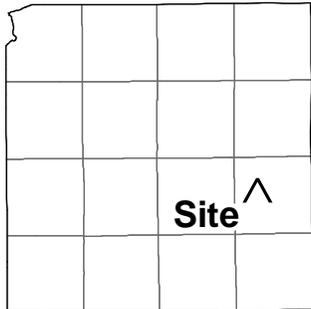
The Zeeff Tract -- Land Transaction Case #20120051



Section 20, T26N, R5W
Bear Lake Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Land Offered to DNR
(120 acres -- \$179,300.00)
- Cabin
- State Land
- Private Land

Kalkaska County



Regional Location



DNR -- Finance & Operations Division
 Real Estate Services Section
 07/26/2012