SUBMITTED: July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Subject: Fisheries Order 243.17
State-Licensed Commercial Fishing

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, authorizes the Director and the Commission to issue Orders to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of this state.

Discussion and Background:

The Department proposes to renew Fisheries Order 243 without modification. This Order was modified in 2015 to address an administrative issue impacting management of the state-licensed commercial fishery. It was renewed in 2016 and again requires a renewal in 2017. This Order is necessary to clarify commercial fishing regulations for the better protection, preservation, maintenance, and harvesting of the fish. The current Order is set to expire on October 8, 2017 and it is recommended by Fisheries Division and Law Enforcement Division to be renewed without change.

Under the authority of Section 46702 of 1994 PA 451, the effective date of any Order issued by the Department under this part shall not be less than 30 days from and after the date of its issuance and requires notification by first class mail to all persons licensed under part 473. Therefore, it is recommended that this Order shall take effect September 9, 2017 and shall remain effective through November 15, 2018.
Recommendation:

It is our recommendation to continue to utilize Fisheries Order 243.17 to clarify commercial fishing law for the better protection, preservation, maintenance, and harvesting of the fish. Relevant Divisions have contributed to the preparation of this order. This Order is being submitted for Director’s action on August 10, 2017, at the Natural Resources Commission meeting. This item appeared on the Department’s August 2017 calendar.

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Law Enforcement Division

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Forest Resources Division

Ronald A. Olson, Chief
Parks and Recreation Division

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

I have analyzed and discussed these recommendations with staff and concur as to matters over which the Director has authority.

Keith Creagh, Director

Date
FISHERIES ORDER
State-Licensed Commercial Fishing
Order 243.17

Under the authority of Sections 46701 and 46702 of 1994 PA 451, as amended, MCL 324.46701 and MCL 324.46702, the Director of the Department of Natural Resources on August 10, 2017, ordered that the following state-licensed commercial fishing regulations apply:

1. State-licensed commercial trap net fishing is permitted in water depths of up to 150 feet in Lakes Huron, Michigan, and Superior under licenses issued by the Director.

2. The commercial harvest of chubs (Coregonus hoyi) is permitted in Lake Michigan north of Grand Haven under licenses issued by the Director.

3. Lake Erie is designated as rough fish grounds for commercial fishing as defined in MCL 324.47309(g).

4. The commercial harvest of Lake whitefish (Coregonus clupeaformis), 17 inches in length and greater, caught in Lake Erie in legally set trap nets, is permitted under licenses issued by the Director.

5. The department or its properly permitted designee may take fish in any manner, in any of the waters mentioned in this part, at any and all seasons of the year, for the purpose of fish culture or scientific investigation; may have and hold ripe and unripe fish for scientific investigation or in order to take spawn from the fish; and may sell or direct to be sold all of those ripe and unripe fish. A permitted designee of the department shall comply with the conditions established in the permit.

6. State-licensed commercial fishers shall comply with all license conditions.

7. Whitefish in lakes Michigan, Huron, and Superior shall be closed to harvest from noon on November 1 to noon on November 30.

8. It shall be unlawful to market, have in possession, transport, or offer for sale at any time, whether caught within or without this state any catfish of a length less than 15 inches, except that catfish of a length not less than 14 inches may be taken from Lake Erie, but such fish shall not be sold or offered for sale except at a dock or docks along said lake.

9. Suckers may be commercially taken from all waters of the state open to commercial fishing without a size limit and without a closed season.

10. Imported commercial and game fish species of a size, weight, or species not prohibited by the laws of the state or country where caught that are not processed outside the state of Michigan and sold to the consumer in the same package as imported may be possessed, transported, offered for sale, and marketed as follows:

   a. A wholesale fish dealer who directly or indirectly imports the fish shall:
i. Retain for 30 days following importation a commercial invoice or bill of sale or, if imported from Canada, the customs entry or customs broker's statement, which shall include the species of fish and formal entry number;
ii. Keep a record including the quantity and species of fish and the name and address of every retailer to whom such fish are sold or shipped; and
iii. Make the documents and records required by this section available for inspection by any law enforcement officer at any reasonable time.

b. A retail fish dealer shall retain a bill of sale or invoice indicating the quantity and species of fish and the name and address of the consignor for inspection by any law enforcement officer at any reasonable time until the fish are disposed of by sale or otherwise.

11. In addition to the requirement established in Section 10(a) of this Order, wholesale fish dealers licensed in Michigan, whether they are located within or outside the state, shall fill out and submit monthly purchase records on forms provided by the Department. Forms containing the monthly purchase records shall be submitted to the Department by the tenth day after the end of the month in which the fish were acquired. Reports not received by the Department by the end of the month in which they are due shall be considered delinquent and in violation of this order.

This Order modifies conditions as set forth in MCL 324.47302, MCL 324.47309 (h and i), MCL 324.47311 (b and f), MCL 324.47315, MCL 324.47319 (Subsection 1. e and f and Subsection 2), and MCL 324.47133 of 1994, PA 451, and Administrative Rule R 299.1074(b, c, and e) and Administrative Rule R 299.1075(3).

This Order shall be assigned number FO-243.17, and is entitled “State-Licensed Commercial Fishing.”

This Order supersedes the order entitled “State-Licensed Commercial Fishing,” which became effective October 8, 2016, and is assigned number FO-243.16.

Per MCL 324.46702, this Order shall not take effect less than 30 days after being issued. This Order shall take effect September 9, 2017 and shall remain effective through November 15, 2018.

Issued on this 10th day of August, 2017.
SUBMITTED: July 13, 2017
RESUBMITTED: July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

SUBJECT: 2018 State Park Camping, Lodging and Modification/Cancellation Fees

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, authorizes the Director to approve various user fees within the Department, including fees charged for camping activities.

324.74114 Fees; Establishment; collection; deposit.
Sec. 74114. The department may establish fees and collect fees for activities in state parks except those activities for which fees are established under this part. All fees collected under this section shall be deposited into the fund.

Discussion and Background:

Attached for your review and consideration are proposals to adjust the state park camping fees, effective in Fiscal Year 2018, which are necessary to insure our business model remains sustainable. This is consistent with the Michigan State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Blue Ribbon Panel’s recommendation that the state park system continue to implement and utilize an outcomes oriented governance system for budgeting and managing outdoor recreation services within the Parks and Recreation Division. The plan also includes the following goal, “to provide Michigan residents with safe and proximate access to outdoor spaces in order to increase people’s use of those places to help improve their health and well-being.” The Parks and Recreation strategic plan specifically states in goal #7 to evaluate and adjust fee structure. The fee increase proposal combines the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and occupancy of the state parks to establish a reasonable rate increase to our customers.

The Parks and Recreation Division continues to fund the demands of our state parks which continue to expand and incorporate additional programs (state forest campgrounds and non-motorized trails added in 2012). In 2010, needs were partially addressed with the implementation of the Recreation Passport. The following year, in 2011, the Trust Fund hit its cap, generating more Park Endowment revenue for Parks and Recreation Division. While this is perceived as windfall of additional funding, only a portion of this revenue will be used for infrastructure needs within a given year. Additionally, the Recreation Passport is just beginning to meet projections of over 30%. Even so, camping revenues continue to be the primary source of funding, approximately 48% of the overall revenue.
Operational costs continue to evolve due to normal cost increases, vehicle and travel services, utilities and supplies, and materials. These costs require an increase in camping rates to meet the funding needs and provide quality customer service to retain or enhance the 91% rating for positive customer service for clean and safe parks.

The Recreation Passport has a built in CPI escalator to assist with cost adjustments.

**Operation needs – known increases since FY2015:**

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**Proposal:**

The last increase in camping fees occurred in 2015. At that time the rates increased by $4, $2 and $1 per night based on occupancy of greater than 82%, at or slightly less than 82%, and significantly less than 82%. Rustic sites increased by $1 per camp night.

The funding proposal for Fiscal Year 2018 was reviewed with the Michigan State Parks Advisory Committee’s (MSPAC) Finance Subcommittee on March 24, 2017 and the MSPAC Workgroup on May 17, 2017. At the MSPAC’s regular meeting held on June 8, 2017 the funding proposal was supported and adopted via the attached Resolution No. 05-2017-06. Several options were reviewed ranging from the increase in CPI (Detroit-Flint-Ann Arbor) of 5.2% since the last rate increase to a fee increase based on high, moderate and low occupancy at state parks during the peak of the camping season (July).

The fees were reviewed on a market-based approach, with the higher percentage being applied to the parks with the highest demand. The willingness by campers to pay is a major consideration when it comes to fees. Places in high demand can adjust to greater fee increases, while lower occupied sites will have a greater chance of attrition if fee increases are too significant. The camp rate schedule currently has 14 different camping rates. This proposal has aligned the rates based on July and weekend occupancy from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Another key consideration for the fees is to insure they remain in balance with private sector campgrounds so that state park lodging fees keep pace with the range of fees.
After review and discussion of the proposals with the MSPAC subcommittee and the MSPAC’s approval through a resolution at their June 8, 2017 meeting (attached), the Parks and Recreation Division offer the following recommendations.

Recommendation:

Based upon the overall goals and desired outcomes of the business plan, staff recommend the following:

Proposed Camping, Lodging and Modification/Cancellation Fee Adjustments
The recommendation is to adjust the camping and lodging fees by the following demand-based pricing model:

- Greater than 84% occupancy would be increased by an average of $2.67 per camp night
- Roughly 66% to 83% occupancy would be increased by an average of $2.42 per camp night
- Less than 66% occupancy would be increased by an average of $1.13 per camp night
- Full hook up nights would be $12.00 more than the normal camp night, an increase of $4.23 per camp night for amenities
- State park rustic campground nights would be increased by $4.00 (from $13 to $17)
- State forest & equestrian campgrounds would be increased by $2.00 (from $13 to $15)
- 5.2% CPI increase (rounded to the whole dollar) in rates for cabins, tepees, yurts, shelters or other lodging. Modern lodges reservations will take affect a year out from approval and will be implemented in phases, the first year increase in FY2019 and an increase in the following year, FY2020.

Others fees are recommended as follows:

- Non-registered campers – shower fee $5
- Dump station fees for pilot parks - $10 a dump (for non-registered campers)
- Pets in cabins - pilot parks - $10 per night per pet
- Pets in lodges - pilot parks - $15 per night per pet

Modification/Cancellation Proposals:
5 or more nights

- 10% of total stay for reservations held up to two months
- 15% of total stay for reservations held two to three months
- 20% of total stay for reservations held three to four months
- 30% of total stay for reservations held four to five months
- 40% of total stay for reservations held five to six months
1 to 4 nights
  - 20% of total stay for reservations held up to four months
  - 30% of total stay for reservations held four to five months
  - 40% of total stay for reservations held five to six months

If rates are not increased, a portion of the Park Endowment funds will continue to increase and the resources for infrastructure improvements will be spent on park operations. Increasing the rates will allow the Michigan state park system to meet the core responsibilities to:

- Ensure rates are keeping pace with the cost of living and additional needs for PRD.
- Utilize revenues to relieve Park Endowment funds set aside for capital improvements.
- Maintain high customer satisfaction and expectations.

The estimated increase in revenue is $2.2 million using a resistance factor of 3% (assumptions based on negative impact of increasing the camping rates). The overall increase for the year is estimated to be 7.7%. The increase in the FY2015 rate proposal was 7.2%.
2018 State Park Camping, Lodging and Modification/Cancellation Fees
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Relevant Divisions have contributed to the preparation of this order and it appeared on the July 13, 2017 DNR Business Calendar. This item was provided for information at the July 13, 2017 Natural Resources Commission meeting under Director’s Action Items and is seeking approval on August 10, 2017.

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

I approve the staff recommendations with an effective date of November 1, 2017.

Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved
8/10/17
July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land
Crystal Falls Management Unit – Dickinson County
Land Transaction Case #20150207

Sale: 1 acre

Sale Price: $1,500.00

Description: Dickinson County, Felch Township, T43N, R29W, Section 19:
The West 66 feet of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4.

PA 240 of 2012: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in a
decrease of 1 acre of counted DNR-Managed lands.

Applicant: Jon & Alice Nord, Quinnesec, 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) August 1, 2017, calendar, and is eligible for approval on
August 8, 2017. The transaction will also be posted in a local
newspaper as required by statute.

Acquired: By exchange for tax reverted parcels in 1946.

Minerals: The state does not own the mineral rights.

Comments: The desired parcel is adjacent to the applicant’s land and will resolve an
existing trespass on DNR-managed land. As a condition of the sale the
applicant will cease maintaining the remainder of the parcel in trespass.

The proposed land disposal was reviewed and recommended for
approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on
February 16, 2017.

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.
Due to the small size of the parcel, the Land Exchange Review Committee determined local engagement is not necessary.

Recommendation:

1. That the land be sold to the adjacent landowner for $1,500.00.

2. That the proceeds of the sale be deposited into the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund.

3. That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.

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Mark H. Hoffman
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved

8/10/17
July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange
Atlanta Management Unit – Montmorency County
Sorensen Exchange
Land Transaction Case #20160211

Applicant: Mark & Nancy Sorensen, Hillman, Michigan.

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: $154.00. The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in an increase of 30 counted acres.

Private Land Offered in Exchange: 40 acres
Location: Montmorency County, Montmorency Township, T32N, R03E, Section 25:
The NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4.
Value: $ 22,000.00

State Land Desired in Exchange: 10 acres
Location: Montmorency County, Montmorency Township, T32N, R03E, Section 25:
The SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4.
Value: $ 20,000.00

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 1, 2017, calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 8, 2017.

Comments: The desired state land is surrounded by private ownership and Grass Lake to the west. The offered parcel is surrounded by state land on three sides with frontage on Grass Lake. The parcel would block in state ownership, provide hunting and trapping opportunities for a variety of species as well as protect a nesting site for bald eagles.

The desired state land was purchased in 1940 with State Game Funds.
The state will convey mineral rights on the desired parcel and the applicant will convey mineral rights on the offered parcel.

The proposed land exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on December 15, 2016.

Engagement: Montmorency County and Montmorency Township have given support to this exchange.

Recommendation(s):

1. That the exchange be approved, with the state reserving aboriginal antiquities.

2. That the offered land be dedicated as part of the Atlanta Management Unit.

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

8/10/17
Date Approved
STATE FOREST LAND EXCHANGE
Atlanta Management Unit – Montmorency County
Land Transaction Case #20160211

Section 25, T32N, R03E, Montmorency Township

- State land desired from DNR (10 acres)
- Land offered to DNR in exchange (40 acres)
- State land
- Private land

09/28/2017

DNR Project Boundaries
July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director
INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission
Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange
Baraga Management Unit – Keweenaw County
Keweenaw Community Forest Company Exchange
Land Transaction Case #20080170

Applicant: Keweenaw Community Forest Company, Mohawk, Michigan.

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: $323.00. The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in a decrease of 240 counted acres.

Private Land Offered in Exchange: 80 acres
Location: Keweenaw County, Grant Township, T58N, R27W, Section 22:
The NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4.

Keweenaw County, Grant Township, T58N, R27W, Section 30:
The NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4.

Value: $ 40,000.00
Payment at Closing: $ 33,800.00

Total Compensation To be Provided by Applicant: $ 73,800.00

State Land Desired in Exchange: 320 acres
Location: Keweenaw County, Houghton Township, T58N, R31W, Section 34:
The NE 1/4.

Keweenaw County, Houghton Township, T58N, R31W, Section 35:
The NW 1/4.

Value: $ 72,000.00

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 1, 2017, calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 8, 2017.

Comments: The desired state land is surrounded by private ownership, has no legal access, and was declared surplus during the Phase II review in 2006. One of the offered parcels is bordered by state land on two sides and the other parcel is bordered by state land on all sides. The offered parcels will consolidate state ownership, improve wildlife habitat, and increase recreational opportunities.

The applicant applied for this exchange in 2008, but due to lack of concurrence on values, the exchange was never completed. This case remained active and in January 2016, negotiations resumed.

The desired state land was acquired by tax reversion in 1940. The parcels were reviewed in Phase II and recommended for disposal in 2006.

The state will retain mineral rights on the offered parcel due to value potential. The applicant will not reserve mineral rights, but the rights are likely not owned by the applicant.

The proposed land exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on October 23, 2008.

Engagement: Keweenaw County, Houghton Township and Grant Township were all contacted regarding this exchange and the status of the surplus state parcel. The Department has received letters of opposition from Keweenaw County, Houghton Township, and a local organization, the Calumet-Keweenaw Sportsmen’s Club. Grant Township has not provided input on this exchange. The referenced letters of opposition can be found in the case file. The primary concern is opposition to ownership in the county by not-for-profit organizations and the influence those organizations have on the tax base. However, the applicant has provided a formal letter stating that they will be paying taxes on these parcels.

Recommendation(s): 1. That the exchange be approved, with the state reserving mineral rights and aboriginal antiquities.

2. That the offered land be dedicated as part of the Baraga Management Unit.
Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief
Wildlife Division

William O'Neil, 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

8/10/17
Date Approved

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STATE FOREST LAND EXCHANGE
Baraga Management Unit – Keweenaw County
Land Transaction Case #20080170

Sections 34 and 35, T58N, R31W, Houghton Township

Sections 22 and 30, T58N, R27W, Grant Township

- State land desired from DNR, (320 acres)
- Private land offered to DNR in exchange (80 acres)
- State land
- Private land

DNR Project Boundaries
July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange
Gwinn Management Unit – Marquette County
Sault Ste. Marie Unit – Mackinac County
Graymont Exchange
Land Transaction Case #20130281

Applicant: Graymont (MI), Grand Rapids, MI

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: $2,400.00. The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in a decrease of 830 counted acres. Excluded acres: 590 acres are excluded as part of this transaction because the offered lands were enrolled in the Commercial Forest Program as of July 2, 2012.

Private Land Offered in Exchange: 590 acres
Location: 2 Parcels of land described as:

Parcel 1: Marquette County, Marquette Township, T49N, R25W, Section 31, the E 1/2 (320 acres).

Parcel 2: Marquette County, Michigamme Township, T49N, R30W, Section 31, the NE 1/4 and Government Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 (270 acres).

Value: $ 1,812,445.00 (including timber value)
Payment at Closing: $ 79,624.00

Total Compensation To be Provided by Applicant $ 1,892,069.00

State Land Desired in Exchange: 830 acres
Location: Tract B (671 acres - Garfield Township) and Tract C (159 acres - Hendricks Township) described as:

Mackinac County, Garfield Township, T44N, R9W, Section 11:
• SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 (40 acres)
• NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 (40 acres)
Mackinac County, Garfield Township, T44N, R9W, Section 12:
- SE 1/4 (163 acres)
- S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 (81 acres)
- S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 (82 acres)
- NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 (40 acres)
- N 1/2 of the SW 1/4 (82 acres)
- SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 (41 acres)
- N 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 (20 acres)

Mackinac County, Garfield Township, T44N, R9W, Section 13:
- N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 (82 acres)

Mackinac County, Hendricks Township, T44N, R7W, Section 24:
- NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 (40 acres)
- SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 (40 acres)
- E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 (79 acres)

Value: $1,892,069.00 (including timber value)

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 1, 2017, calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 8, 2017.

Comments: The proposed transaction completes the exchange portion of the March 9, 2015, Director's memo that approved exchanging Tract B and Tract C. The 320 acres offered in Marquette Township is adjacent to state land on three sides and will increase hunting and other outdoor recreation activities. The parcel includes four-acre Wetmore Pond and a 16-acre seasonal pond. The Michigamme Township parcel has approximately 9,700 feet of frontage on Lake Keewadin and is adjacent to Craig Lake State Park to the east.

The applicant does not own the mineral rights, however, there is a low probability of mining on the parcels and the state does not own the mineral rights on the adjacent state lands.

The proposed land exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on June 15, 2017.

Engagement: All local county and township officials received a letter regarding this exchange and none expressed concerns. Michigamme Township and Marquette Township support the exchange.
Recommendation(s):

1. That the exchange be approved, with the state reserving aboriginal antiquities.

2. That the offered land in Marquette Township be dedicated as part of the Gwinn Management Unit and the Michigamme Township land be dedicated as part of Craig Lake State Park as defined by their boundaries.

3. The exchange of Tract B and Tract C will be subject to the terms and conditions agreed to in the revised March 6, 2015, Land Transaction Application submitted by Graymont.

4. Proceeds from the transaction will be deposited into the Forest Development Fund.
Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief
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Fisheries Division

Ronald A. Olson, Chief
Parks and Recreation Division

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Natural Resources Deputy

Mark H. Hoffman
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved

8/10/17
STATE FOREST LAND EXCHANGE
Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit – Mackinac County
Gwinn Management Unit – Marquette County
Land Transaction Case #20130281

Mackinac County, Garfield Township
Sections 11-13, T44N, R09W

Mackinac County, Hendricks Township
Section 24, T44N, R07W

Marquette County, Michigamme Township
Section 31, T49N, R30W

Marquette County, Marquette Township
Section 31, T49N, R25W

- State land desired from DNR (830 acres)
- / State land
- / Land offered to DNR in exchange (590 acres)
- / Private land
- - DNR Project Boundary

[Map with land parcels shaded in different patterns indicating the exchange areas]
July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Conveyance of DNR-Managed Land for Public Use
Gladwin State Game Area – Gladwin County
Land Transaction Case #20160176

Sale: 34.31 acres

Sale Price: Land to be conveyed without monetary compensation. It is to be used solely for outdoor public recreation purposes and will revert to the state if used for any other purpose.

Description: Gladwin County, Buckeye Township, T18N, R01W, Section 30:
The West 1/2 of the NE1/4 lying westerly of the centerline of relocated River Road as described in the case file.

PA 240 of 2012: This parcel is south of the Mason-Arenac County line.

Applicant: County of Gladwin, Gladwin, 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) August 1, 2017, calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 8, 2017.

Acquired: By tax reversion in 1922.

Minerals: To be retained.

Comments: The desired property will be used for outdoor public recreation purposes. These uses include, to the greatest extent possible, hunting, trapping, fishing, and bicycle trail system.

The proposed land disposal was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on February 16, 2017.

Engagement: The County of Gladwin is the applicant and supports this transaction.
Recommendation:

(1) That the land be conveyed to the applicant for outdoor public recreation purposes without monetary compensation, but with the condition that if the land is used for non-outdoor public purposes, it will revert back to the state.

(2) That the state retains mineral rights and aboriginal antiquities.

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I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved

8/10/17
CONVEYANCE OF DNR-MANAGED LAND FOR PUBLIC USE
Gladwin State Game Area – Gladwin County
Land Transaction Case #20160176

Section 30, T18N, R0' W, Buckeye Township

- - - DNR land to be conveyed (34.31 acres)

State land
Private land
- - - Proposed Gladwin to Beaverton trail
- - - DNR Project Boundary
July 17, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Conveyance of DNR-Managed Land for Public Use
Gladwin State Game Area – Gladwin County
Land Transaction Case #20160177

Sale: 99.49 acres

Sale Price: Land to be conveyed without monetary compensation. It is to be used solely for outdoor public recreation purposes and will revert to the state if used for any other purpose.

Description: Gladwin County, Buckeye Township, T18N, R01W, Section 7; AND Gladwin County, Grout Township, T18N, R02W, Section 12: As more particularly described in the case file.

PA 240 of 2012: This parcel is south of the Mason-Arenac County line.

Applicant: City of Gladwin, Gladwin, 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) August 1, 2017, calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 8, 2017.

Acquired: By tax reversion in 1939.

Minerals: To be retained.

Comments: The desired property will be used for outdoor public recreation purposes. These uses include, to the greatest extent possible, hunting, trapping, fishing, and bicycle trail system.

The proposed land disposal was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on February 16, 2017.

Engagement: The City of Gladwin is the applicant and supports this transaction.
Recommendation:

(1) That the land be conveyed to the applicant for outdoor public recreation purposes without monetary compensation, but with the condition that if the land is used for non-outdoor public purposes, it will revert back to the state.

(2) That the state retains mineral rights and aboriginal antiquities.

(3) The state will retain a 50-foot wide easement to provide access to the Gladwin State Game Area.

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I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh Director

01/10/17

Date Approved
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Section 7, T18N, R01W, Buckeye Township
Section 12, T18N, R02W, Grout Township

- DNR land to be conveyed (99.49 acres)
- Easement to be retained by DNR (50 ft. wide)
- State land
- Private land
- Proposed Gladwin to Beaverton trail
- DNR Project Boundary

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