December 18, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Relinquishment of Municipal Forest Deed and Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land
Gaylord Management Unit – Charlevoix County
Land Transaction Case #20150046

Sale: 3.78 acres

Sale Price: $9,300.00

PA 240 of 2012: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in a decrease of 3.78 acres to the total of DNR-Managed lands.

Description: Charlevoix County, Melrose Township, T33N, R05W, Section 16:
Part of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4; more particularly described in the case file.

Applicant(s): Leonard & Donna Meadows, Walloon 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) January 2, 2018 calendar, and is eligible for approval on January 9, 2018. The transaction is also posted in a local newspaper as required by statute.

Acquired: Purchased with State Game Fund in 1924.

Minerals: To be disposed.

Comments: The desired land was purchased with State Game Fund in 1924 and then given to Melrose Township Unit Schools in 1938, via a Municipal Forest Deed with a reverter. The terms of this conveyance was that the land would be used solely for forestry purposes and when the land ceases to be used for such purposes it shall revert to the State of Michigan.

The applicant submitted an application to purchase the portion of this parcel which he has a long standing trespass on. This trespass is a violation of the terms of Municipal Forest Deed and so the land which is in trespass must revert back to the state.
The last deed of record was the 1938 Municipal Forest Deed to Melrose Township Unit Schools. Melrose Township Unit Schools dissolved in 1968. Cooperation by both Petoskey Public Schools and Boyne City Public Schools led to a legal memorandum which stated that this parcel was intended to go to the Boyne City Schools. Boyne City Schools then worked with the Department to Quit Claim back the rights they held in this 3.78 acres to the state so the state may proceed in selling this parcel to the applicant.

Proceeds from the sale will be deposited into the LEFF – Game & Fish Subfund.

Engagement: The Land Exchange Review Committee determined local engagement was not necessary for this transaction because it involves the local school district and resolves a long-standing trespass.

Recommendation(s): (1) That the relinquishment of the Municipal Forest Deed for this land be accepted.

(2) That the land be sold to the applicant for $9,300.00.

(3) That the proceeds of the sale be deposited in the LEFF – Game & Fish Subfund.

(4) That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.
I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

1/11/18
Date Approved
RELINQUISHMENT OF MUNICIPAL FOREST DEED
AND SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND
Gaylord Management Unit – Charlevoix County
Land Transaction Case #20150046

Section 16, T33N, R05W, Melrose Township

IIII State-owned reverter interest to be relinquished and
surplus DNR land to be sold (3.78 acres)

State land
Private land
= DNR Project Boundary

DNR Project Boundaries
December 18, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Exchange of Easements
              Shingleton Management Unit – Schoolcraft County
              Bennett Easement Exchange
              Land Transaction Case #20170076

Applicant: Bingham Bennett, Brutus, Michigan.

Private Land Offered in Exchange: 1.7 acres (30' x 850' & 30' x 1,700')
Location: Schoolcraft County, Seney Township, T46N, R13W, Section 10:
          A 30' wide easement for ingress and egress located in the SW 1/4 of the
          NW 1/4; as more particularly described in the case file.

Value: The offered easement is of greater or equal value to the desired
       easement.

State Land Desired in Exchange: 2.3 acres (30' x 3,300')
Location: Schoolcraft County, Seney Township, T46N, R13W, Section 03:
          A Release of Easement recorded on Liber 71, Page 117 as found in
          the case file.

Value: The desired easement is of less than or equal value to the offered
       easement.

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources
        (Department) January 2, 2018 calendar, and is eligible for approval on
        January 9, 2018.

Comments: The applicant is requesting that the Department release a public access
          easement approximately 3,300 feet in length and 30 feet wide which was
          granted to the Department in 1958 by Kimberly Clark. Use of the road that
          this easement burdens is limited. The offered easement will provide better
          access to adjacent state-owned land for both public access and
          management purposes.
The proposed land exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on August 17, 2017.

Engagement: Local engagement was determined not necessary due to there being no change in property ownership as a result of this exchange.

Recommendation(s): 1. That the exchange be approved.

2. That the acquired easement be dedicated as part of the Shingleton Management Unit.

Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief Wildlife Division

Deb Begalle, Chief Forest Resources Division

James L. Dexter, Chief Fisheries Division

Ronald A. Olson, Chief Parks and Recreation Division

William O'Neill Natural Resources Deputy

Mark H. Hoffman Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh Director

1/11/18 Date Approved
STATE FOREST EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS
Shingleton Management Unit – Schoolcraft County
Land Transaction Case #20170076

Sections 3 and 10, T46N, R13W, Seney Township

- Release of easement desired from DNR
- Easement offered to DNR in exchange
- Existing two track roads

State land
Private land
December 18, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus UNK-Managed Land
Atlanta Management Unit – Presque Isle County
Land Transaction Case #20170190

Sale: 100 acres

Sale Price: Minimum bid to be determined by the Department. Sale price to be determined at auction.

Description: Presque Isle County, Rogers Township, T36N, R04E, all those DNR-managed lands in Sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 28, 29 and 30, consisting of 1,798 LOTS, parcels.

PA 240 of 2012: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a decrease of approximately 100 acres of counted DNR-managed lands.

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) January 2, 2018, calendar, and is eligible for approval on January 9, 2018. The transaction will also be posted in a local newspaper as required by statute.

Acquired: By tax reversion from 1923 to 1999, exchange for TR in 1944; purchase in 2004 & 2010 with LEFF; and purchase in 2006 with MNRTF.

Minerals: The mineral rights will be reviewed when prepared for auction.

Comments: The proposed surplus parcels are from the undeveloped, unrecorded Lake Breeze Grove Subdivision. This area is difficult to manage due to the small size. The larger blocks of land are spotted with private ownership.

Removing these parcels/LOTS will help consolidate private and state ownership and minimize trespassing.

The proposed land disposal was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on October 19, 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.

Engagement: Local engagement will be completed as part of the auction process.

Recommendation:

(1) That the land be disposed as surplus.

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

(3) That the state follow the Office of Minerals Management’s recommendation regarding mineral rights.

Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief
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Deb Begalle, Chief
Forest Resources Division

James L. Dexter, Chief
Fisheries Division

Ronald A. Olson, Chief
Parks and Recreation Division

William O’Neill
Natural Resources Deputy

Mark H. Hoffman
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved

11/11/18
SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND
Atlanta Management Unit – Presque Isle County
Land Transaction Case #20170190

Sections 19-22, 28-30, T36N, R04E, Rogers Township

- Surplus DNR land to be sold
- State land
- Private land
- Boundary of lands to be disposed

1 Foot = 1,000 Feet
11/07/2017

DNR Project Boundaries
December 18, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange
Atlanta Management Unit – Presque Isle County
Anderson Exchange
Land Transaction Case #20170151

Applicant: Lawrence Anderson, Rogers City, Michigan.

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: $160.00. The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in an increase of 7.08 counted acres.

Private Land Offered in Exchange: 40 acres
Location: Presque Isle County, Metz Township, T33N, R05E, Section 33:
The NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4.

Value: $ 31,000.00

State Land Desired in Exchange: 32.92 acres
Location: Presque Isle County, Rogers Township, T36N, R04E, Section 20:
Part of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4.

Value: $ 26,000.00

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) January 2, 2018 calendar, and is eligible for approval on January 9, 2018.

Comments: The desired state land is a compilation of small lots intermixed with private ownership resulting in the inability for the state to manage the timber or resource values. The offered land blocks in with surrounding state ownership that contains good wildlife habitat and timber value.

The desired state land was acquired by tax reversion from 1923 through 1995. Two parcels were purchased in 1) 2006, from Act 123 with Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) and 2) 2008, from Act 123 with...
LEFF. A portion of the acquired parcel will be encumbered with these two fund sources.

The state will convey mineral rights on the desired parcel and the applicant will convey mineral rights on the offered parcels.

The proposed land exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on August 17, 2017.

Engagement: Certified letters were sent to Presque Isle County, Rogers and Metz Township on September 11, 2017. Presque Isle County and Metz Township did not respond and Rogers Township supported the 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.
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William O'Neill
Natural Resources Deputy

Mark H. Hoffman
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

1/11/18
Date Approved
December 18, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Trail Gift of Land
Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park
Iron Belle Trail – Jackson County
Land Transaction Case #20170248

Purchase: Gift of a small triangular parcel of land (0.78 acre).

Funding Source: Gift

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: $107.75
This parcel is south of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in an increase of 0.78 excluded acre.

Description: Jackson County, Henrietta Township, T02S, R01E, Section 5:
All that part of the Southwest Quarter lying North of the Portage River,
and South and East of the Grand Trunk Railroad Right of Way.

Donor: Mike Levine, Shelby Township, 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) January 2, 2018, calendar, and is eligible for approval on January 9, 2018.

Management Purpose: This property will be managed by the Parks and Recreation Division through the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park that currently administers the trail.

Comments: Originally acquired by the Michigan Department of Transportation in 1977, this former Grand Trunk Railroad corridor, recently renamed the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park, was transferred to the Department in 2001. For the past two years, local Parks and Recreation Division staff have been working with Mike Levine on the development of the trail. The offered parcel provides an opportunity for the development of a trailhead.

Acquisition of this parcel will contribute to achieving Department and division goals and strategies by securing continuous access for a portion of the designated trail system.
Engagement: Jackson County and Henrietta Township have been assisting the Department on the planning of this trail and have indicated support for this gift.

Recommendation(s):
1. That the gift of land be accepted with appreciation.
2. That the property be dedicated for public use and administered by the Parks and Recreation Division.

Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief Wildlife Division

Deb Begalle, Chief Forest Resources Division

James L. Dexter, Chief Fisheries Division

Ronald A. Olson, Chief Parks and Recreation Division

William O'Neill Natural Resources Deputy

Mark H. Hoffman Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh Director

1/16/18 Date Approved
GIFT OF LAND
Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park
Iron Belle Trail – Jackson County
Land Transaction Case #20170248

Section 5, T02S, R01E, Henrietta Township

- Land to be gifted to DNR (0.78 acre)
- State land
- Private land
- Mike Levine Lakelands Trail

[Map showing the location and boundaries]
December 18, 2017

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Trail Gift of Land
North Western State Trail – Emmet County
Land Transaction Case #20170247

Purchase: Gift of a small triangular parcel of land (0.1 acre)

Funding Source: Gift

PA 240 of 2012: PILT Estimate: $3.73
This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in an increase of 0.1 excluded acres.

Description: Emmet County, Wawatam Township, Village of Mackinaw T39N, R4W, Section 13: Plat of Mackinaw City, that part of BLK 38 lying SE of RR ROW, and 40 FT of Vacated Pond St. ADJ.

Donor: Emmet County Land Bank, Petoskey, 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) January 2, 2018, calendar, and is eligible for approval on January 9, 2018.

Management Purpose: This property will be managed by the Northern Lower Region of the Trails Section in conjunction with local partners who help to maintain the trail.

Comments: In 1989, the Michigan Bell Telephone Company gifted 23.10 miles of the former Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad (GR&I) corridor, extending between Mackinaw City and Alanson, to the Department for recreational purposes. In 2015, this section of the trail was surfaced with a hard-pack aggregate. Prompted by the success of the trail, the Emmet County Land Bank purchased this property with the intention of gifting it to the Department to become part of the trail.

Acquisition of this parcel will contribute to achieving Department and Division goals and strategies by securing continuous access for a portion of the designated trail system.
Engagement: The Emmet County Land Bank is part of the Emmet County government and as such, is in support of this gift. The Village of Mackinaw has also formerly acknowledged its support of this gift.

Recommendation(s):
1. That the gift of land be accepted with appreciation.
2. That the property be dedicated for public use and administered by the Parks and Recreation Division.

Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief
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I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

Date Approved: 11/11/18
GIFT OF LAND
North Western State Trail – Emmet County
Land Transaction Case #20170247

Section 13, T39N, R04W, Village of Mackinaw

- Land to be gifted to DNR (0.1 acre)
- State land
- Private land
- North Western State Trail

Site

DNR Project Boundaries