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MEMORANDUM TO THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Subject: Fall Turkey Regulations  
Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 5 of 2019

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, authorizes the Director and the Commission to issue orders to manage wild animals in this state.

Discussion and Background:

Managing wild turkeys in Michigan involves the complex interactions of turkey populations, their habitat and their relationship to people. Current fall turkey regulations have been in place since 2016 as part of a three-year stabilized regulation process that originated in 2008. Fall wild turkey hunting seasons were implemented in Michigan to help maintain turkey populations at levels matching biological and social carrying capacities. The intent of the fall wild turkey season is to maintain turkey numbers while also providing opportunities to address local nuisance turkey concerns and provide extra recreational opportunities without harming core turkey populations. Most areas in Northern Lower Michigan where local wild turkey populations are near or lower than the desired social and biological carrying capacity are closed for fall turkey hunting.

The proposed recommendations are the result of discussions with stakeholder groups and Department staff and marks the beginning of the fifth-cycle of three-year stabilized regulations for wild turkey management. The recommendations are similar to the last three-year regulatory setting cycles and are an effort to provide recreational opportunity without impacting the quality of fall or spring turkey hunting. In keeping with efforts to stabilize regulations by using multi-year cycles, these regulations are proposed for the 2019, 2020, and 2021 seasons.

License Quotas

License quotas are developed to harvest the desired number of turkeys to meet the management goal. The Department recommends that a total of 51,350 licenses be made available and approximately 44,943 square miles of area be open to fall turkey hunting.

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The Department further recommends that a total of 4,650 general licenses be made available through a lottery in turkey management units (TMU): G, GB, GC, J, L, M, T, WA, and W.

The Department recommends maintaining the existing general license quota of 200 for TMU G, 250 for TMU GB, 200 for TMU GC, 1,500 for TMU J, 500 for TMU L, 1,500 for TMU M, 200 for TMU T, 200 for TMU W, and 100 for TMU WA. The Department does not recommend any changes to the private land license quotas or application process.

TMU HA will continue to have a private land quota of 1,700, with the private land licenses being available initially through an application. Licenses in fall hunt TMU YY, encompassing only private lands in southern Michigan and Beaver Island, may be purchased over the counter when leftover fall turkey licenses are made available for purchase. YY licenses do not require an application and will be sold until the 45,000 private-land only license quota is achieved for the TMU.

The Department does not recommend any changes to the application process for limited-quota hunt TMUs or leftover license sales. The Department further recommends maintaining the one-license-per-day purchase limit for leftover licenses when available.

From 2016-2018, 11 management units totaling about 44,943 square miles were open for fall turkey hunting during September 15 through November 14. The open area to hunting for 2013-2015 increased by 25% from 2012 (an additional 8,865 square miles), when three new management units were created (TMUs J, T, and WA). The Department does not recommend any additional areas open for the fall turkey hunting stabilized regulation period.

### *Biological*

The 2017 Michigan Fall Turkey Hunter survey concluded that approximately 4,305 turkeys were harvested in 2017. From the 3,894 hunters who took at least one turkey, 93 percent of these hunters took one turkey, six percent took two turkeys, and about one percent took more than two turkeys. Of the 4,305 turkeys harvested in 2017, 90 percent of these birds were taken on private land, seven percent on public land, and 3 percent on both private and public lands. About 64 percent of the harvested birds had a beard and most of these bearded birds were adults; 17 percent were juvenile birds.

### *Social*

During the last three years, the Department requested feedback about wild turkey regulations from conservation organizations, turkey hunters, and others. Generally, most hunters are satisfied with the regulations currently in place.

The National Wild Turkey Federation, Wildlife Unlimited of Delta and Dickinson Counties, Superior Turkey Trackers, Menominee National Wild Turkey Federation, Menominee Strutting Toms, Bays De Noc Gobblers, and Eastern Dickinson County Sportsman Club support the proposed recommendations.

*Season Dates*

Some individuals expressed concerns regarding the fall turkey season opening dates. During the development and evaluation of the next three years of stabilized regulations, Department staff and stakeholder groups discussed season dates and it was recommended to maintain the current season date structure: September 15 through November 14. Maintaining the current season date structure is supported by field staff and the majority of constituents, as well as fall turkey harvest information from the 2017 Michigan Fall Turkey Hunter Survey.

*Economic*

Turkey hunting opportunities provide economic benefits by enhancing the amount of recreation and hunting-related expenditures, e.g., costs of ammunition, food, travel, and lodging.

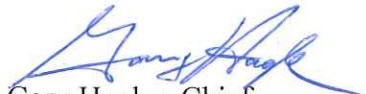
The proposed recommendations are not expected to have a significant economic effect.



Relevant Divisions have contributed to the preparation of this order. This order was submitted for information on April 11, 2019, at the Natural Resources Commission meeting. This item appeared on the Department's March calendar and may be eligible for approval on May 9, 2019.



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

  
Daniel Eichinger, Director

5/9/19  
Date

# WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ORDER

## **Amendment No. 5 of 2019**

By authority conferred on the Natural Resources Commission and the Director of the Department of Natural Resources by sections 40107 and 40113a of 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.40107 and 324.40113a, it is ordered that effective May 10, 2019, the following section(s) of the Wildlife Conservation Order shall read as follows:

### **3.300b Wild Turkey population, fall harvest quotas.**

Sec. 3.300b (1) The quotas for general licenses valid on all private and public lands within the listed unit for the fall wild turkey hunt seasons defined in section 3.303, are as shown in table 8:

<b>TABLE 8</b>	
<b>Fall Wild Turkey General License Quotas per Unit</b>	
<b>Open Unit</b>	<b>License Quota</b>
A	0
D	0
E	0
G	200
GB	250
GC	200
H	0
HA	0
HB	0
J	1,500
L	500
M	1,500
Q	0
T	200
W	200
WA	100

(2) The quotas for private land only licenses for the fall wild turkey hunt seasons defined in section 3.303, are as shown in table 9:

<b>TABLE 9</b>	
<b>Fall Wild Turkey Private Land Only License Quotas per Unit</b>	
<b>Open Unit</b>	<b>License Quota</b>
A	0
D	0
E	0
G	0
GB	0
GC	0
H	0
HA	1,700
HB	0
J	0

L	0
M	0
Q	0
T	0
W	0
YY	45,000

(3) Each successful applicant may purchase the license for which they were selected. Unsuccessful applicants may purchase one leftover license or a license for hunt unit YY the first week leftover licenses are available for purchase. After this one-week period, any hunter may purchase one remaining license per day until the quota is met for each hunt unit.

(a) Licenses for unit YY may be purchased over the counter with no application required when leftover licenses are made available for purchase.

(4) The wildlife division chief may recommend to the director the need for any appropriate changes in quotas based on experience with population densities, hunter satisfaction levels, hunter application rates, or hunter survey results. The director, in consultation with the natural resources commission, may make changes in quotas in a turkey management unit to address this new information.

Issued on this 9th day of May, 2019.

Approved as to matters over which the Natural Resources Commission has authority.

  
Vicki J. Pontz, Chair  
Natural Resources Commission

Approved as to matters over which the Director has authority.

  
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MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Subject: Regulate Use of Certain Managed State Lands  
Land Use Order of the Director Amendment No. 2 of 2019

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, authorizes the Director to issue orders to implement land use rules.

Discussion and Background:

The intent of this order is to align management and use of state land consistent with recent legislative changes as well as to implement regulatory controls on state lands to protect natural, cultural and historic resources and provide safety measures for visitors and staff.

Several issues and behaviors have come to the attention of Department staff. These issues and behaviors run contrary to the protection of the state managed natural resources and present safety concerns to visitors of these managed state lands. To curtail, and cease these issues and behaviors, it has become necessary to provide staff with enforcement ability to prohibit these activities. The issues and behaviors include:

- Use of sky lanterns
- Use and access to designated Mountain Bike Trails
- Use and access to the DTE Mountain Bike Trail and Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park
- Use and operation of Electric Bicycles
- Use and operation of unmanned aircraft

Sky Lanterns:

Numerous complaints have been received by Department staff from visitors and adjacent property owners regarding the extreme fire hazards sky lanterns present on state and neighboring lands with no means of fire control. As a manager of state land, prohibiting the use of sky lanterns on or over state land would assist in the stewardship of the state's natural, cultural and historic resources as well preserving the property of surrounding private property owners. It is the intent of the order to prohibit sky lanterns in all areas of state parks, recreation areas, boating access sites and state forest campgrounds.

Trail Access:

The DTE mountain bike trail is a developed trail supported and maintained through private funding, and the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park is an improved surface trail, a segment of which is part of the Iron Belle Trail. The uniqueness of these trails in design, maintenance and significance of operation, imparts a greater level of concern for the integrity of these improved trails. The weight of certain vehicles has been known to cause damage to trails and result in a poor trail experience for all user groups as well as potential

safety concerns for future users. It is for these reasons that this order seeks a closure of these trails to snowmobile use.

Due to the freeze and thaw cycle of Michigan's weather and wet conditions during certain times of the year, it is not uncommon for routinely maintained designated mountain biking trails to suffer significant damage. This damage results in a poor trail experience for user, a significant amount of reinvestment of time and resources for repairs, and the potential for injury to users. It is for these reasons that this order requests the ability for staff to temporarily close designated Mountain Bike Trails due to conditions negatively affecting the sustainability and safety of the trail.

Palms Book State Park:

The Big Spring, Kitchitiki, located within Palms Book State Park is a significant natural treasure for all Michigan citizens and visitors. As such, the Department, through its orders, has long taken steps to ensure it remains in pristine condition for present and future generations. While there are orders in effect that prohibit a person from conducting certain activities within the Big Spring, with the emergence of new technologies comes the need to modify the existing orders to continue the protections over this area. With drone activity now being undertaken in waterbodies, staff have encountered instances where individuals have placed these objects into the Big Spring, utilizing a loophole in the language of the current order. Updating this order to prohibiting individuals from entering, placing or launching any object in the Big Spring would enhance the protections currently in place.

Statutory Consistency:

During the last legislative session, laws were passed for the following: 1) allowing operation of Class I electric bicycles on certain improved trails and rail trails on state land and prohibiting operation of Class II and Class III electric bicycles on state land; and, 2) modifying and prohibiting the operation of an unmanned aircraft in certain situations. It is the intent of this order to allow the use of recreation unmanned aircraft consistent with state and federal law, except in certain identified areas.

By reiterating the requirements of these laws within this order it does not contradict the laws but instead allows for enforcement of these laws by commissioned Department staff on certain identified state managed lands.

This order is supported by the relevant divisions of the Department and the Michigan Snowmobile Association. The Michigan State Parks Advisory Committee will review the proposed order at their April meeting prior to the NRC meeting. The Michigan Snowmobile Association was consulted and has no issues with the proposed trail restrictions.



This order is being submitted for information and consideration. This order was submitted for information on April 11, 2019, at the Natural Resources Commission meeting. This item appeared on the Department's April 2019 calendar and may be eligible for approval on May 9, 2019.



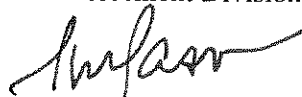
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# LAND USE ORDERS OF THE DIRECTOR

## Amendment No. 2 of 2019

By authority conferred on the Director of the Department of Natural Resources by Section 504 of the Natural Resources Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.504, and in accordance with R 299.921 to R 299.933, the Director of the Department of Natural Resources orders the following:

### **2.103 Entry, use and occupancy of certain access sites, harbors and dams, prohibited conduct.**

Order 2.103 (1) A person shall not do any of the following:

(a) Enter, use, or occupy any of the following state-owned lands with a motor vehicle unless a valid Michigan recreation passport for a motor vehicle has been purchased and affixed to the vehicle when posted against such use.

(b) Enter, use, or occupy the Crystal lake boating access site 10-066 to access the Betsie valley trail (in accordance with 19th Judicial Circuit Consent Judgment, No. 04-7095-CE and Special Trail Use and Law Enforcement Plan No. 88-3199-CH), section 22, T26N R16W, Benzie county.

(c) Enter, use, or occupy a state-operated public boating access site with an ORV except to set, place, erect, or use a fishing shanty consistent with fisheries order 251.17, or to access a waterbody to operate an ORV on the frozen surface of public waters. 5.1 State parks and recreation areas, certain conduct prohibited.

(d) Operate an electric bike in conflict with mcl 324.72105 at a state-operated public boating access site or harbor.

(e) Use, in any way, a sky lantern at a state-operated public boating access site or harbor.

(i) "Sky lantern" means an unmanned hot air balloon made of paper or other lightweight material that is launched into the atmosphere and has a flame inside the balloon.

(f) Operate an unmanned aircraft in conflict with the unmanned aircraft system act (PA 436 of 2016), and as follows at a state-operated public boating access site or harbor:

(i) In a manner that knowingly and intentionally interferes with department employees and their designees performing official duties.

(ii) In a manner that interferes with department staff when conducting search and rescues.

(iii) Within 100 yards of a cultural or historical site or structure.

(iv) Over an occupied beach area.

(v) Over an equestrian facility.

(vi) Over a campsite.

(vii) Over a restroom or open-air changing court.

(viii) Over an area subject to an aerial right-of-way.

(ix) For a commercial purpose without first obtaining written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

#### **4.4 Prohibited uses within and surrounding state forest campgrounds:**

Order 4.4 A person shall not do the following on state-owned lands:

(1) Camp on lands beginning at the boundaries of a state forest campground and extending outward therefrom for not more than 1 mile, as posted.

(2) Camp with a horse in a state forest campground unless it has been designated as an equestrian state forest campground or a trail camp.

(a) The number of horses camping at an equestrian state forest campground or trail camp shall not exceed 4 per campsite.

(3) Operate an electric bike in conflict with MCL 324.72105 at a state forest campground.

(4) Use, in any way, a sky lantern at a state forest campground.

(a) "Sky lantern" means an unmanned hot air balloon made of paper or other lightweight material that is launched into the atmosphere and has a flame inside the balloon.

(5) Operate an unmanned aircraft in conflict with the unmanned aircraft system act (PA 436 of 2016), and as follows at a state forest campground:

(a) In a manner that knowingly and intentionally interferes with department employees and their designees performing official duties.

(b) In a manner that interferes with department staff when conducting search and rescues.

(c) Within 100 yards of a cultural or historical site or structure.

(d) Over an occupied beach area.

(e) Over an equestrian facility.

(f) Over a restroom or open-air changing court.

(g) Over an area subject to an aerial right-of-way.

(h) For a commercial purpose without first obtaining written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

#### **Order 5.1 State parks and recreation areas, certain conduct prohibited.**

Order 5.1 A person shall not do any of the following in any SP or RA:

(1) Have more than 1 horse for each registered camper at any designated horsemen's campground without first obtaining proper written permission from the department.

(2) Enter, use or occupy a designated mountain bike trail when posted closed except with written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

(3) Operate an electric bike in conflict with MCL 324.72105.

(4) Use, in any way, a sky lantern.

(a) "Sky lantern" means an unmanned hot air balloon made of paper or other lightweight material that is launched into the atmosphere and has a flame inside the balloon.

(5) Operate an unmanned aircraft in conflict with the unmanned aircraft system act (pa 436 of 2016), and as follows:

(a) In a manner that knowingly and intentionally interferes with department employees and their designees performing official duties.

(b) In a manner that interferes with department staff when conducting search and rescues.

(c) Within 100 yards of a cultural or historical site or structure.

(d) Upon or over the viewing platform at Tahquamenon falls.

(e) Over an occupied beach area.

(f) Over an equestrian facility.

(g) Over a campground.

(h) Over a restroom or open-air changing court.

(i) Over an area subject to an aerial right-of-way.

(j) For a commercial purpose without first obtaining written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

## **5.12 Certain state parks and recreation areas, requirements for use, certain conduct prohibited.**

Order 5.12 The following conduct shall apply to use of Michigan SPs and RAs:

(1) Fayette SP, certain conduct prohibited. A person shall not do the following at Fayette SP located in Delta county:

(a) Dive, swim, water ski, skin or scuba dive, or attempt to dive, swim, water ski, skin or scuba dive from any vessel operating within or moored to the docks or piling or anchored to the bottomlands of snail shell harbor, Fayette SP, Delta county, without written permission of an authorized representative of the department.

(b) Enter or occupy the face of the limestone cliffs in section 33, T39N R19W, and section 4, T38N R19W.

(2) Palms book SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following at palms book SP:

(a) Swim, bathe, skin or scuba dive, fish, boat, enter, place or launch any object in the big spring, Kitchitiki, palms book SP.

(b) Use the department owned raft on the big spring for anything other than viewing.

(3) Island lake RA, conduct prohibited. A person shall not do the following at the Island lake RA:

(a) Operate a vessel powered by a motor on the waters of Spring mill pond.

(4) Sterling SP, conduct prohibited. A person shall not do the following at Sterling SP:



(a) Launch or attempt to launch a vessel equipped with an inboard or outboard motor, except an electric motor, into the waters of the south lagoon from any state-owned lands lying south of the centerline of the park entrance road.

(5) Pontiac lake RA, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following at the Pontiac lake RA:

(a) Possess or fly a hang glider on any state-owned lands within the Pontiac lake RA.

(b) Enter into a pen area or buffer zone around a pen area established by the department from June 10 to July 15 for the temporary holding of geese. This prohibition shall not apply to a person issued a written permit by the district wildlife supervisor allowing entry into the area.

(6) Ludington SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do the following at Ludington SP:

(a) Park a vehicle of any type between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. in the parking areas adjacent to highway M-116 from the south limit of the park to the bridge over big Sable river.

(7) South Higgins lake SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do the following at south Higgins lake SP:

(a) Park or leave a motor vehicle in the day use area of south Higgins lake SP between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. without written permission from a representative of the department.

(b) Leave a trailer unattached to a vehicle in the boat launch parking lot.

(c) Park a vehicle without boat trailer attached, or a vehicle not being used to transport a boat, in the boat launch parking lot.

(d) A person shall not leave a vessel unattended, moored to access piers, in boat basin, beached along shoreline, or anchored to riparian bottomlands between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., without prior written approval from an authorized representative of the department.

(8) Pinckney RA, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do the following at the Pinckney RA:

(a) Use any state-owned lands in the S ½ of the S ½ of section 23, T1S R3E, for the purpose of launching or attempting to launch onto the waters of Island lake, any watercraft equipped with an inboard or outboard motor.

(b) Consume or possess any alcoholic beverage within ¼ mile surrounding and including the parking lot at Pickerel lake, section 8, T1S R4E, as posted.

(c) Launch or attempt to launch a vessel equipped with an inboard or outboard motor, except an electric motor, onto the waters of Pickerel lake, section 8, T1S R4E.

(9) Silver lake SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following within Silver lake SP without first obtaining proper written permission from the department:

(a) Store, leave, park or otherwise place any boat, fish shanty, vehicle, bicycle, equipment, tool, device or other property which is at any time during its presence in the park made available for rent, lease, or sale.

(b) Use or occupy any land or water within the park to solicit, conduct, operate, engage in, or maintain a business of any nature or use such areas as a base of commercial operations. For purposes of this order, "base of operations" means a use of lands or waters which is a principal or significant aspect of any commercial activity.

(10) Porcupine mountains wilderness SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following in the Porcupine mountains wilderness SP without first obtaining proper written permission from the department:

(a) Feed a bear or lure any bear with food. This provision does not apply to the lawful baiting of bear as described in orders issued pursuant to part 401, wildlife conservation, of Public Act 451 of 1994.

(b) Operate a snowmobile off the designated snowmobile route.

(11) Waterloo RA, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do the following at the Waterloo RA:

(a) Enter into a pen area or buffer zone around a pen area established by the department from June 10 to July 15 for the temporary holding of geese. This prohibition shall not apply to a person issued a written permit by the district wildlife supervisor allowing entry into the area.

(b) Operate a snowmobile on the DTE mountain bike trail without written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

(12) Fort custer RA, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do the following at the Fort custer RA:

(a) Excavate, dig or probe the grounds, or remove ordnance without written permission.

(b) Operate a snowmobile off the designated snowmobile route.

(13) Grand haven SP campground, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do the following at Grand haven SP:

(a) Place or allow a recreational camping unit under their control to be placed front-first upon a campsite in the Grand haven SP campground. The tongue of a trailer or front of a self-propelled camping unit shall face the roadway.

(b) A person, including a person's camping unit, shall not remain for more than 15 nights in any 20 night period from May 15 through September 15 without the written permission of the district supervisor.

(14) Holland SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not possess or use furniture designed or intended for indoor use within Holland SP from May 15 to July 15 unless the furniture is enclosed within a camping shelter. Furniture that is designed or intended for indoor use and is placed outside of a camping shelter may be removed at the discretion of the park manager.

(15) Sanilac petroglyphs historic SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following at the Sanilac petroglyphs historic SP:

(a) Enter into the fenced area containing the petroglyph rock when the entry gate is closed.

(b) Walk upon or otherwise come into contact with the petroglyph rock within the fenced area.

(16) Ionia RA, prohibited conduct. A person that has been issued a campsite permit shall not possess or allow to be possessed upon the campsite more than 4 animals other than horses by all members of the camping party combined.

(17) Seven lakes SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not operate a snowmobile, or other motorized snow contrivance without written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

(18) Port crescent SP, prohibited conduct. With the exception of accessing Saginaw bay via the campground, a person shall not operate a snowmobile, or other motorized snow contrivance without written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

(19) Holly RA, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any the following:

(a) Operate a snowmobile or other motorized snow contrivance outside an area bordered by McGinnis road to the north, Wildwood road to the east and Dixie highway to the south, without written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

(b) Enter, use, or occupy any of the following described state-owned lands, as posted, from June 1 through September 1 except with written permission from the department:

(i) The area commonly known as the Brandt road fen within the N1/2 of the SW1/4 of section 12, T05N, R08E, Oakland county.

(20) Algonac SP campground, prohibited conduct. A person shall not place or allow a recreational camping unit under their control to be positioned horizontal to the park's roadways in the riverfront campground. The tongue of a trailer or front or rear of a self-propelled camping unit shall face the park's roadway, and all camping units must be parked on pads where they exist.

(21) Bay city SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following at Bay city SP:

(a) Operate a snowmobile off the designated snowmobile route.

(b) Enter Tobico marsh wildlife refuge of Bay city SP, being those state-owned lands in section sections 24 of T15N R04E, and sections 19 and 30 of T15N R05E, bounded by a line beginning at the water's edge of the Tobico marsh wildlife refuge within section 24 where the Lesperance drain discharges into the Tobico marsh wildlife refuge which is located approximately 1150 feet east and 453 feet north of the center of section 24, T15N R04E, then continuing east parallel to the quarter-quarter section lines section of 24, T15N R04E, and 19, T15N R05E, to Killarney beach road and the eastern boundary of the posted state-owned land with the posted and designated state trail, then southeasterly along the west edge of the designated state trail located west of Killarney beach road to a point on the quarter-quarter section line and approximately 837 feet north of the intersection of little Killarney beach road with Killarney beach road, then west approximately 1766 feet parallel along said quarter-quarter section line approximately 1500 feet to a point on said quarter-quarter section line, then diagonally north-northwesterly approximately 5340 feet, to the point of beginning, excluding the posted and designated state trails, from September 1 to January 1 of each year without written permission from the wildlife regional supervisor or their representative.

(c) Launch a motorized vessel from state-owned lands onto the waters of Bay City SP, except department employees, designees of department employees, or fire, emergency, or law enforcement personnel performing official duties.

(22) Rockport state RA, prohibited conduct. Operate a snowmobile in sections 13, 24, 25, 26, and the north 750 feet of sections 35 and 36, T33N, R08E, except along the 100-foot wide utility line corridor that parallels the Lake Huron shoreline; section 36, T33N, R08E and section 31, T33N, R09E east of the old railroad corridor that parallels the Lake Huron shoreline; the east half of the northeast quarter of section 12, the south half of section 12, and section 13, T32N, R08E; the south 600 feet of the southwest quarter of section 6, the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 8, the northwest quarter and the south half of section 7, T32N, R09E, except a designated corridor extending from Rockport road south through section 7; and all state land on Middle island, sections 3, 4, 9, and 10, T32N, R09E.

(23) Lime island state RA, prohibited conduct. Enter, use, occupy, moor, or dock onto, the southern half of the Lime island coal dock, as posted, lying within T43N, R03E, Section 26 and T42N, R03E, section 35 between May 1 and September 1, except that boats may be moored on the eastern side of the entire coal dock for safety during high seas and storm events.

(24) Belle isle SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following at Belle isle SP.

(a) Enter and remain or park a vehicle of any type on the premises of the Belle Isle SP, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., without permission of the department.

(b) Erect a canopy larger than 9 feet by 9 feet and have more than 2 canopies per group unless with written permission of the department.

(c) Erect a canopy that is not open on two sides of the structure.

(d) Erect a canopy unless someone of 21 years of age or older is supervising.

(e) Skate, bicycle or use any similar contrivances on buildings or structures not otherwise developed for this purpose.

(f) Feed geese, gulls, and other bird species.

(g) Possess a grill of any type in and around playscapes, giant slides or next to buildings

(h) Operate a snowmobile, or other motorized snow contrivance without written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

(25) Watkins Lake SP and county preserve, prohibited conduct. Annually from September 1 through January 1 and from February 15 through May 15, a person shall not enter or take any animals from Watkins Lake and the state-owned lands surrounding, unless authorized in writing by the department, specifically being the SE 1/4, the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, and the S 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of section 13, T04S R02E, within Watkins Lake SP and county preserve; except Arnold Road and the associated upland roadside edge shall remain open to entry.


(26) Mike Levine Lakelands Trail SP, prohibited conduct. A person shall not do any of the following at Mike Levine Lakelands Trail SP:

(a) Operate a snowmobile, or other motorized snow contrivance without written permission from an authorized representative of the department.

This order shall be posted on or after the 10th day of May, 2019.

Issued on this 23rd day of May, 2019.

Approved as to matters over which the Director has the authority.

  
Daniel Eichinger  
Director







GRETCHEN WHITMER  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land  
Atlanta Management Unit – Alpena County  
Land Transaction Case #20180007

Sale: 3.5 acres

Sale Price: Minimum bid to be determined by the Department of Natural Resources (Department). Sale price to be determined at auction.

Description: Alpena County, Alpena Township, T32N, R08E, Section 23:  
That part of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 commencing 350 ft. South of the NE corner of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, thence South 3 degrees West 450 ft., thence North 87° West 20 rods, thence North 3° East 450 ft., thence South 87° East 20 rods to point of beginning AND commencing at a point 300 ft. South of North intersection of 1/8 line and East and West 1/4 line of Section, thence South 50 ft., thence Westerly to shore of stream, thence Northerly along shore line of stream 50 ft., thence Easterly to point of beginning.

PA 240 of 2018: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a decrease of 3.5 acres of DNR-managed lands.

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department's April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on May 7, 2019.

Acquired: By tax reversion in 1939 and 1966.

Minerals: Mineral rights will be reviewed when this transaction is prepared for auction.

Comments: The proposed land disposal was recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on February 15, 2018.

The proposed surplus parcel is a small isolated parcel that cannot be managed due to lack of legal access. Removing this parcel will help consolidate private and state ownership and minimize trespassing along Long Lake Creek.

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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 LEFF.
  3. That the State of Michigan follow the recommendation of the Office of Minerals Management regarding mineral rights.
  4. That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.



Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief  
Wildlife Division

  
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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.



Daniel Eichinger  
Director

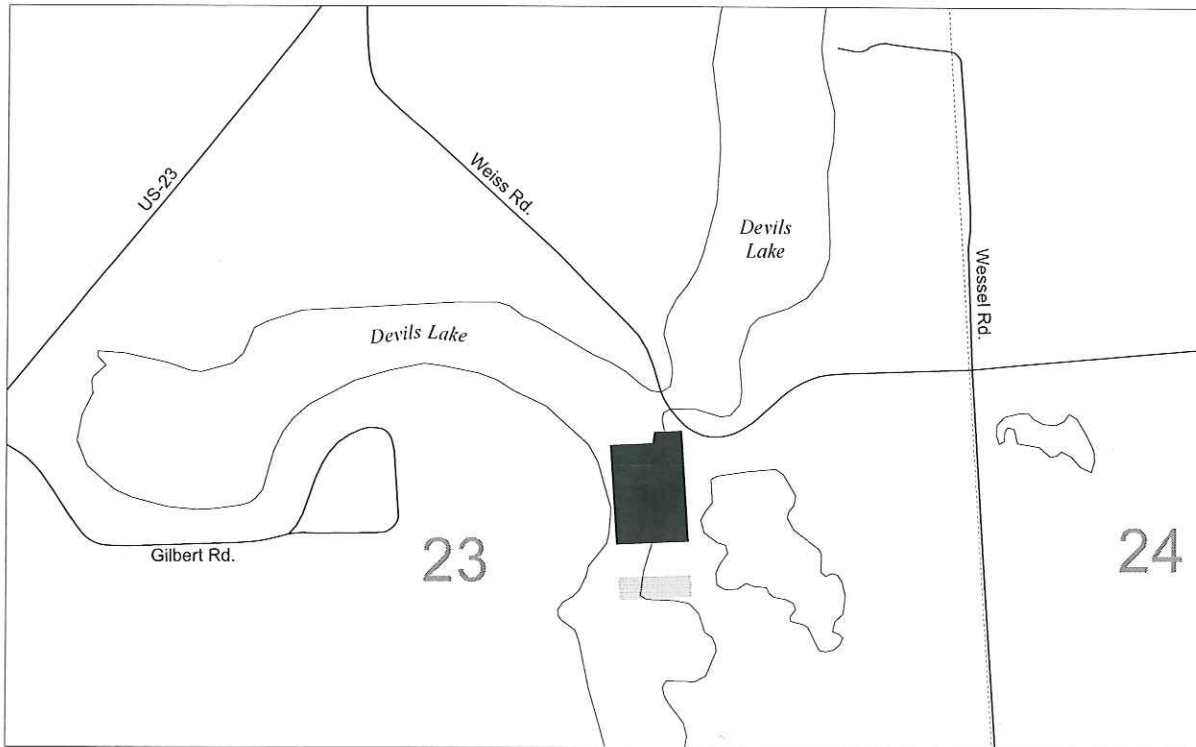


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# SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND

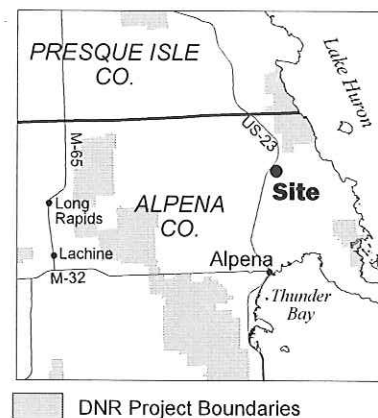
Atlanta Management Unit – Alpena County

Land Transaction Case #20180007



Section 23, T32N, R08E, Alpena Township

- Surplus DNR land to be sold (3.5 acres)
- State land
- Private land









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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land  
Grayling Management Unit – Oscoda County  
Land Transaction Case #20180154

Sale: 0.44 acre

Sale Price: \$1,980.00  
(including fees)

Description: Oscoda County, Elmer Township, T27N, R02E, Section 29:  
Part of the South 1/2 of the SW 1/4, as more accurately described in  
the case file.

PA 240 of 2018: This parcel is south of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in  
a decrease of 0.44 acre of DNR-managed lands.

Applicant(s): Sukany Family, Clyde, 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) April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on  
May 7, 2019.

Acquired: By tax reversion in 1939.

Minerals: To be conveyed.

Comments: The sale will resolve an existing driveway trespass issue and does not  
have any negative impact on state lands.

The proposed land disposal was recommended for approval by the  
Land Exchange Review Committee on December 20, 2018.

Proceeds from the sale 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.

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Engagement: 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 applicant for \$1,980.00.
  2. That the proceeds of the sale be deposited in the LEFF.
  3. That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.



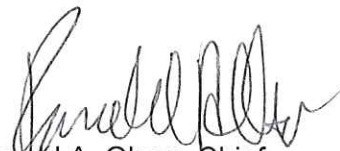
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I approve the staff recommendations.



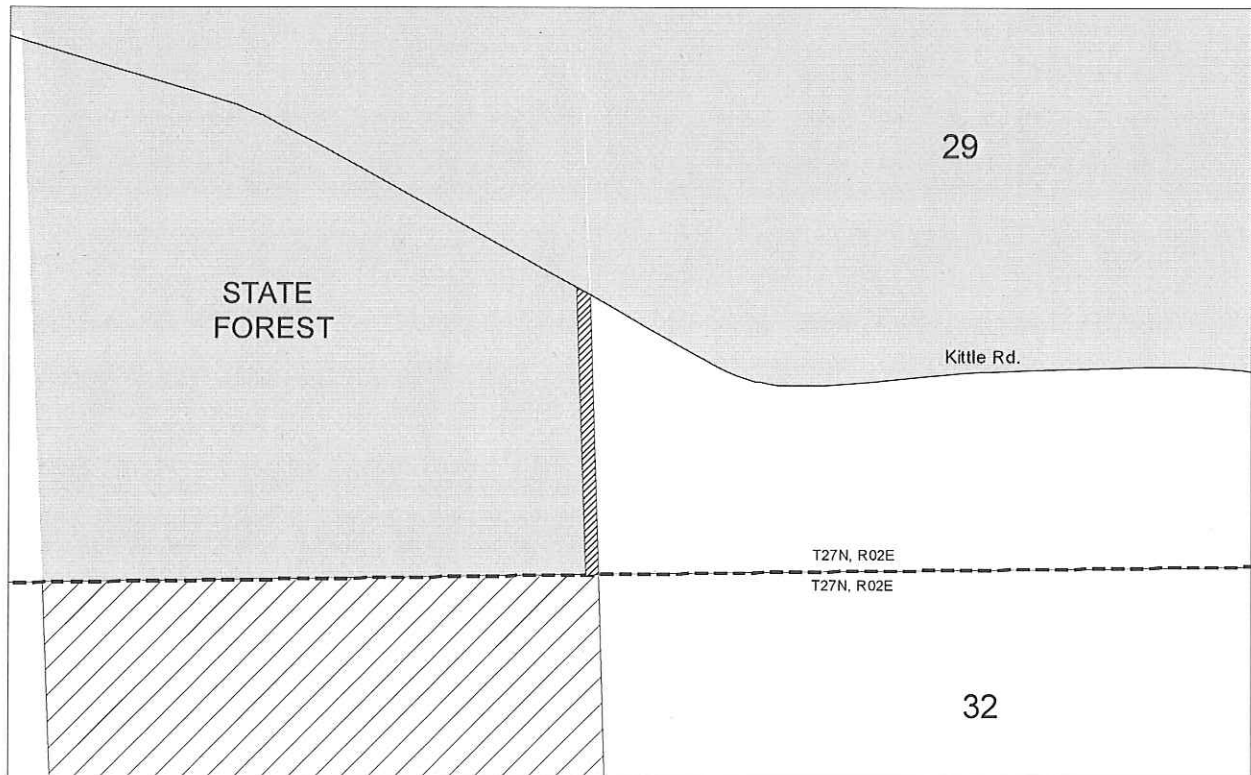
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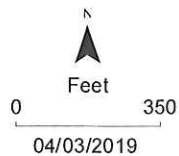
# SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND

Grayling Management Unit – Oscoda County  
Land Transaction Case #20180154



Section 29, T27N, R02E, Elmer Township

-  Surplus DNR land to be sold (0.44 acre)
-  Applicant's Land
-  State land
-  Private land
-  DNR Project Boundary







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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land  
Finance and Operations Division – Oscoda County  
Land Transaction Case #20180181

Sale: 0.29 acre

Sale Price: \$4,150.00  
(including fees)

Description: Oscoda County, Mentor Township, T26N, R03E, Section 6:  
Part of the South 955.00 feet of the West 425 feet of the West 1/2 of  
the NW 1/4 described as: Beginning N00°20'55"W 925.12 ft from the  
W 1/4 corner of said Sec. 6; thence continuing N00°20'55"W along  
said West section line, 30.00 feet; thence N88°45'54"E, parallel with  
and 955.00 feet North of the East-West 1/4 line, 425.05 feet; thence  
S00°20'55"E, parallel with and 425 feet East of said West section line,  
30 feet; thence S88°45'55"W, parallel with said East-West 1/4 line,  
425.05 feet back to the point of beginning.

PA 240 of 2018: The parcel is south of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a  
decrease of 0.29 acre of DNR-managed lands.

Applicant(s): Oscoda County, Mio, 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) April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on  
May 7, 2019.

Acquired: By gift in 1961.

Minerals: To be conveyed.

Comments: The desired parcel is required to provide access to an existing  
subdivision located north of the Oscoda County airport. For years the  
subdivision residents have been using an existing road across the  
airport that is not compliant with the Michigan Department of  
Transportation's regulatory authority. The sale of this parcel will bring  
the airport into compliance and provide access for the subdivision  
residents.

The proposed land disposal was recommended for approval as surplus by the Land Exchange Review Committee on December 20, 2018.

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

Recommendation:

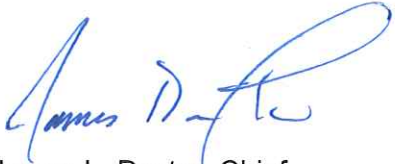
1. That the land be sold to the applicant for \$4,150.00.
2. That the proceeds of the sale be deposited in the LEFF.
3. That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.



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Deb Begalle, Chief  
Forest Resources Division



James L. Dexter, Chief  
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William O'Neill  
Natural Resources Deputy



Mark H. Hoffman  
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I approve the staff recommendations.



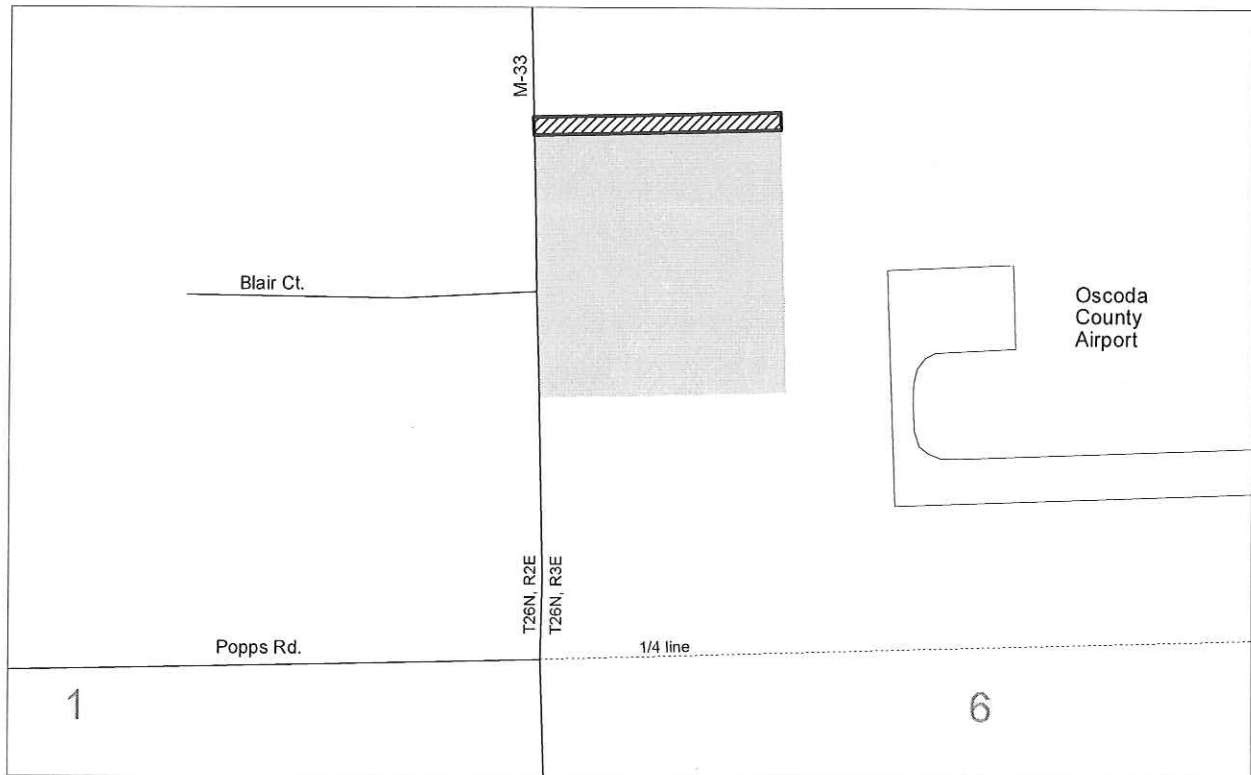
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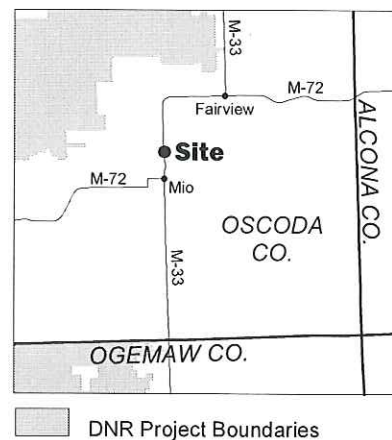
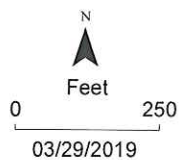
# SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND

Finance and Operations Division – Oscoda County  
Land Transaction Case #20180181



Section 6, T26N, R03E, Mentor Township

- Surplus DNR land to be conveyed (0.29 acre)
- State land
- Private land







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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Gift of Land  
Metro District – St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area – Saint Clair County  
Land Transaction Case #20190054

Gift: 0.07 acre

Description: Saint Clair County, Clay Township, T02N, R15E, Section 14:  
The easterly 25 feet of Lot 1733, Dickinson Island Land Company Plat

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$2.00  
This parcel is located south of the Mason-Arenac county line and will not result in an increase in counted acres.

Donor: Janet Henning, Troy, 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) April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on May 7, 2019.

Management Purpose: The property will be managed by the Wildlife Division as wildlife habitat and public outdoor recreation land as a part of the St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area.

Comments: The offered 0.07-acre property is covered in wetland. The property is accessible through adjacent public land in the St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area.

Acquisition of this property will contribute to the Department's goal of securing additional long-term hunting, trapping and wildlife related recreational opportunities in southern Michigan.

Mineral rights are to be conveyed.

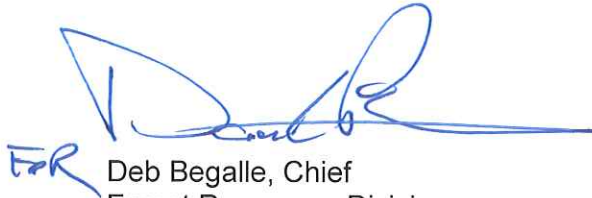
Engagement: Clay Township supports the acquisition.

Recommendation(s): 1. That the gift of land be accepted with appreciation.

2. That the offered property be dedicated as part of the St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area 68



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Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

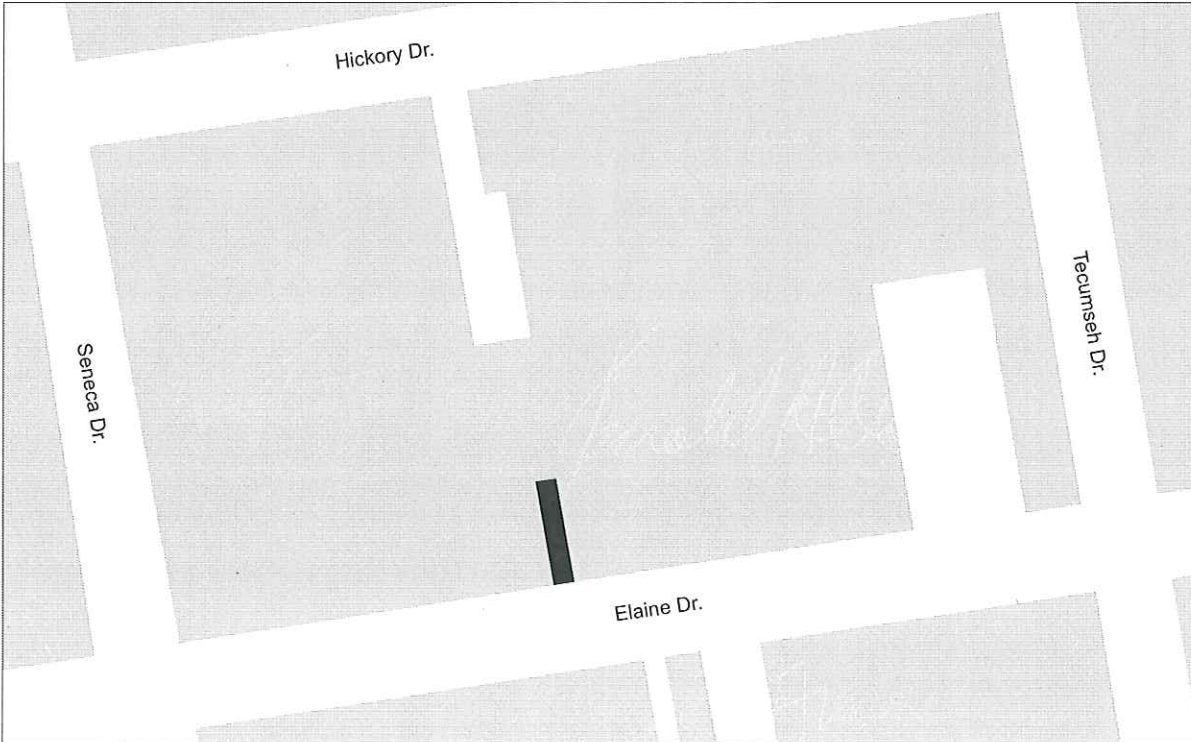


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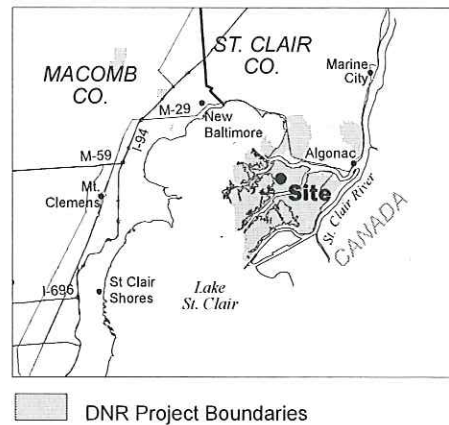
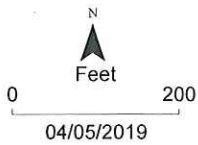
# GIFT OF LAND

Metro District – Saint Clair Flats State Wildlife Area – Saint Clair County  
Land Transaction Case #20190054



Section 14, T02N, R15E, Clay Township  
Dickinson Island Land Company Plat

-  Land to be gifted to DNR (0.07 acre)
-  State land
-  Private land









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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Conveyance of DNR-Managed Land for Public Use  
Crystal Falls Management Unit – Dickinson County  
Land Transaction Case #20180155

Sale: 8.26 acres

Sale Price: Land to be conveyed at a nominal fee to the applicant.

Description: Dickinson County, Felch Township, T42N, R29W, Section 28:  
The W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4, North of the 6.57 acres conveyed  
to the Dickinson County Road Commission with a public use deed dated  
July 21, 1989.

PA 240 of 2018: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a  
decrease of 8.26 acres in DNR-managed lands.

Applicant: Dickinson County Road Commission, Iron Mountain, 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)  
April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on May 7, 2019.

Acquired: By tax reversion in 1939.

Minerals: To be retained.

Comments: The Dickinson County Road Commission (Commission) is seeking to  
expand their existing facilities. The property is adjacent to 6.57 acres that  
was public use deeded to the Commission in 1989.

The state will retain an easement for ingress/egress on the existing road on  
the western boundary of the property, and the applicant will convey an  
easement to the state for the portion of the existing road that crosses their  
current ownership.

The proposed land disposal was recommended for approval by the Land  
Exchange Review Committee on February 21, 2019.

Engagement: Dickinson County Road Commission is the applicant and supports this  
transaction.

Recommendation:

1. That the land be conveyed to the applicant for public purposes for a nominal fee, subject to the condition that if the land is subsequently sold, the proceeds from the sale be accounted for to the state, county, township, and school district in which the land is situated pro rata.
2. That the state will retain mineral rights and aboriginal antiquities.
3. That the state will retain the existing easement on the western boundary, and the applicant will convey an easement to the state for the portion that crosses their current ownership on their western boundary.



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Forest Resources Division



James L. Dexter, Chief  
Fisheries Division



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Parks and Recreation Division



William O'Neill  
Natural Resources Deputy



Mark H. Hoffman  
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.



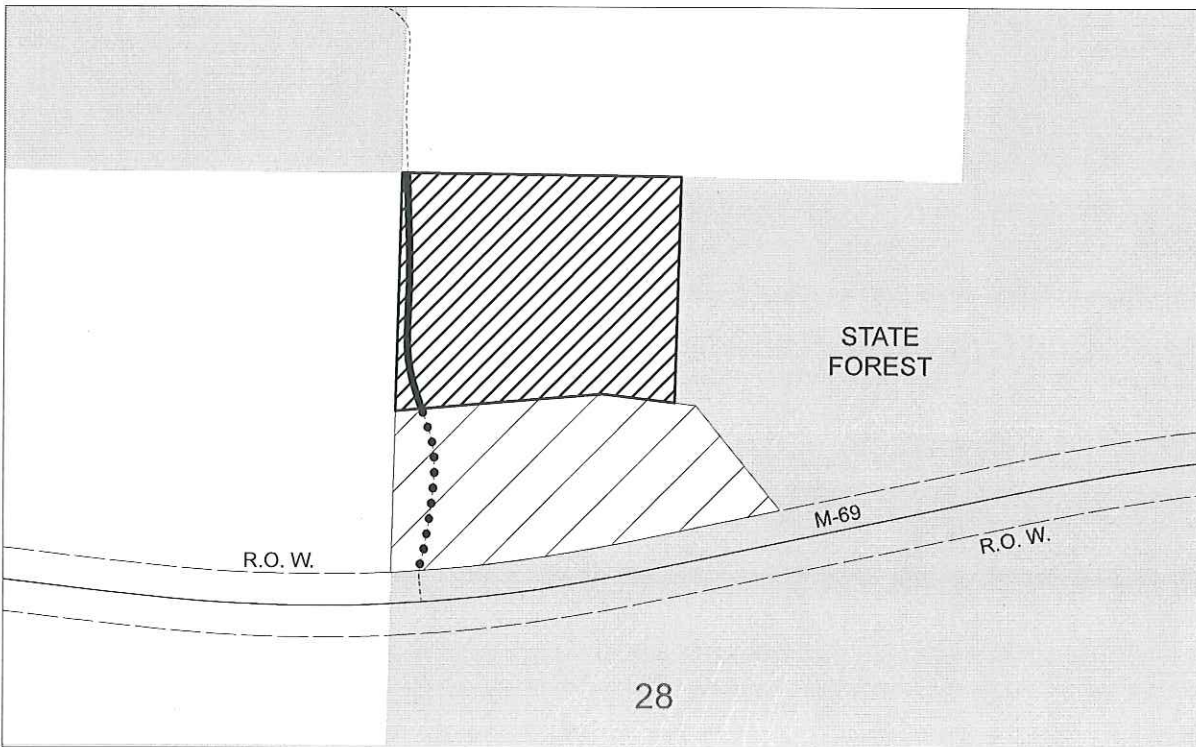
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


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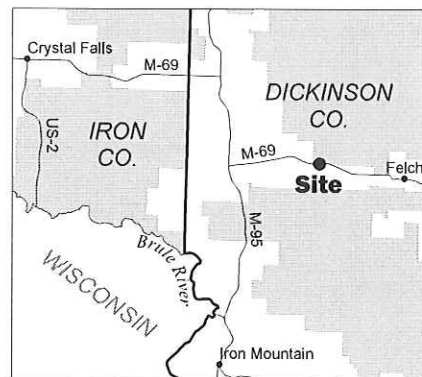
# CONVEYANCE OF DNR-MANAGED LAND FOR PUBLIC USE

Crystal Falls Management Unit – Dickinson County  
Land Transaction Case #20180155



Section 28, T42N, R29W, Felch Township

-  Surplus DNR land to be conveyed (8.26 acres)
-  Land conveyed to County Road Commission in 1989 (6.57 acres)
-  State land
-  Private land
-  Easement to be retained by DNR
-  Easement to be conveyed to DNR



 DNR Project Boundaries







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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange  
Crystal Falls Management Unit – Iron County  
Donahue Exchange  
Land Transaction Case #20180042

Applicant: Douglas and Diane Donahue, Crystal Falls, Michigan

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$25.00  
The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in a decrease of 1.79 acres of DNR-managed lands.

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**Private Land Offered in Exchange:**

Acreage: 5.65 acres

Location: Iron County, Mastodon Township, T42N, R32W, Section 5:  
Part of Government Lot 5, as more accurately described in the case file.

Value: \$ 20,000.00

Payment at Closing  
(including fees): \$ 2,200.00

Total Compensation  
to be Provided by  
Applicant: \$ 22,200.00

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**State Land Desired in Exchange:**

Acreage: 7.44 acres

Location: Iron County, Mastodon Township, T42N, R32W, Section 5:  
Part of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, as more accurately described in the case file.

Value: \$ 22,000.00


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- Authority: Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.
- Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on May 7, 2019.
- Comments: The desired state-owned land is only accessible with permission from the applicant and includes an existing in-holding within the parcel. The offered land adjoins the Crystal Falls to Stager State Trail on both sides and increases access to Railroad Lake.
- The state will convey mineral rights on the desired parcels. The owner does not own the mineral rights on the offered parcel.
- The proposed land exchange was recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on June 21, 2018.
- Engagement: Due to the small amount of acreage in the exchange, the Land Exchange Review Committee determined local engagement is not necessary.
- 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 Crystal Falls Management Unit.

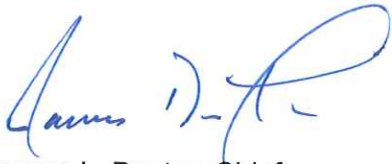




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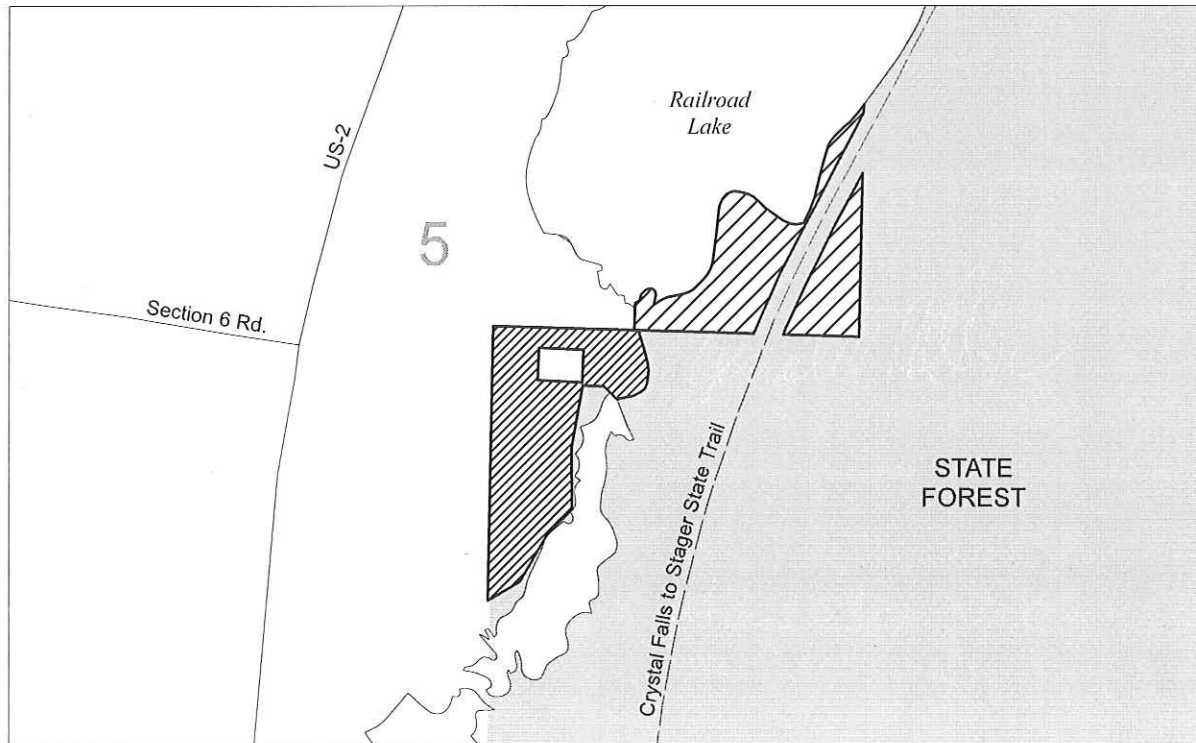


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

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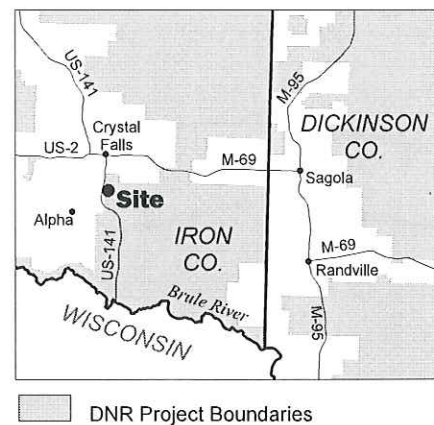
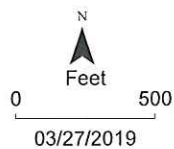
# STATE FOREST LAND EXCHANGE

Crystal Falls Management Unit – Iron County  
Land Transaction Case #20180042



Section 5, T42N, R32W, Mastodon Township

-  State land desired from DNR (7.44 acres)
-  Land offered to DNR in exchange (5.65 acres)
-  State land
-  Private land





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DANIEL EICHINGER  
DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange  
Crystal Falls Management Unit – Dickinson County  
Anderson Exchange  
Land Transaction Case #20180107

Applicant: Mark and Tina Anderson, Felch, Michigan

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$170.00  
The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in an increase of 0.28 acre in DNR-managed lands.

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**Private Land Offered in Exchange:**

Acreage: 40 acres

Location: Dickinson County, Felch Township, T42N, R28W, Section 18:  
The SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4

Value: \$ 36,000.00

Payment at Closing (including fees): \$ 4,400.00

Total Compensation to be Provided by Applicant: \$ 40,400.00

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**State Land Desired in Exchange:**

Acreage: 39.72 acres

Location: Dickinson County, Norway Township, T41N, R29W, Section 01:  
The NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4

Value: \$ 40,000.00

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

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on May 7, 2019.

Comments: The desired state-owned land has no legal road access and is only accessible with permission from the applicant. The offered land is adjacent to state land on three sides, has direct legal access for public recreation, and is located within an obligate winter range for deer.

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 recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on October 12, 2018.

- 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 Crystal Falls Management Unit.



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Daniel Eichinger  
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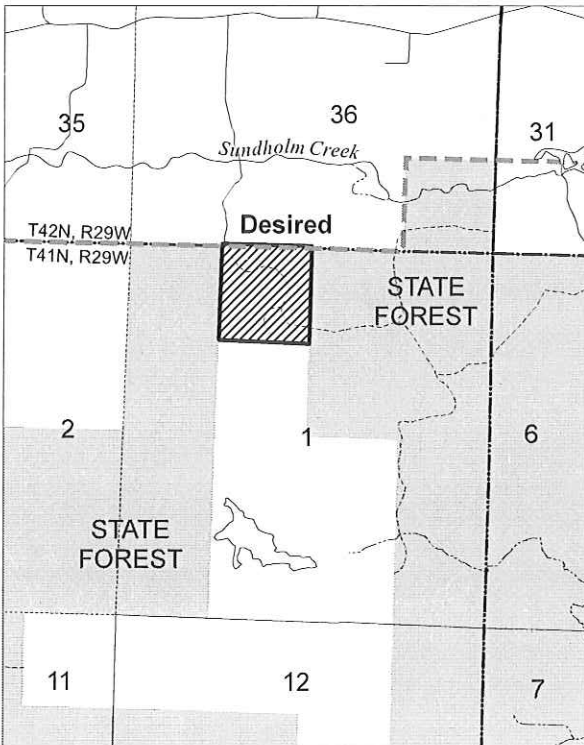


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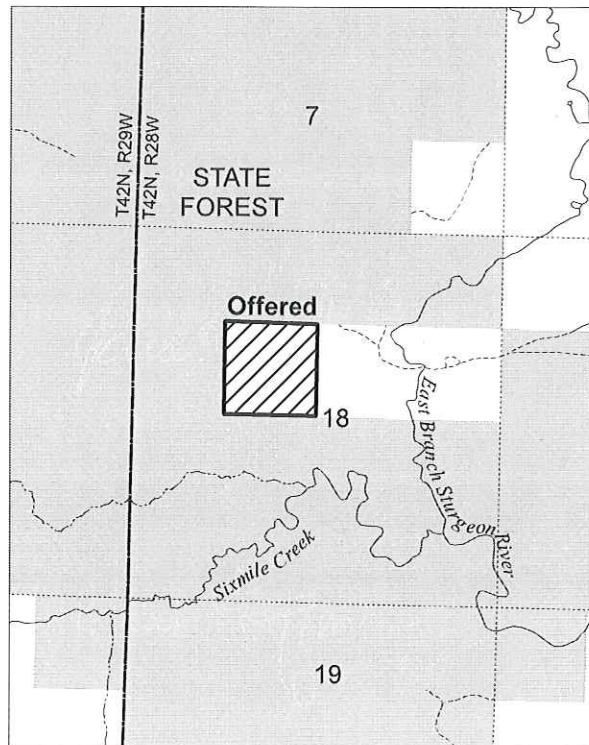
# STATE FOREST LAND EXCHANGE

Crystal Falls Management Unit – Dickinson County  
Land Transaction Case #20180107



Section 1, T41N, R29W, Norway Township

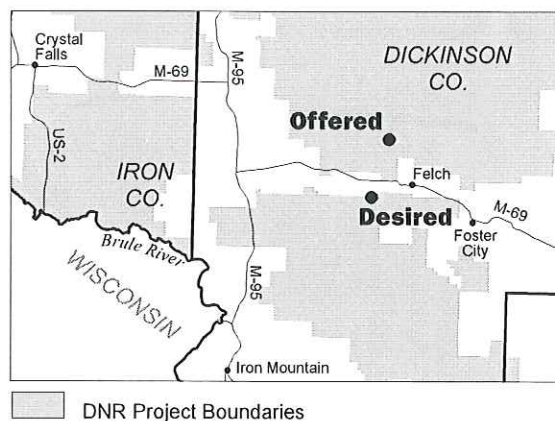
- State land desired from DNR (39.72 acres)
- State land
- Private land
- DNR Project Boundary



Section 18, T42N, R28W, Felch Township

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

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DNR Project Boundaries





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DIRECTOR

April 16, 2019

TO: Daniel Eichinger, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Wildlife Division Land Acquisition  
Allegan State Game Area – Allegan County  
The Mervenne Purchase  
Land Transaction Case #20180045

Purchase: 40.94 acres - \$125,000.00

Funding Source: Michigan 7C Statewide Wetland (Waterfowl Capital Outlay) Funds

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$1,641.52  
This parcel is located south of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in an increase of 40.94 counted acres of DNR-managed lands.

Description: Allegan County, Manlius Township, T03N, R15W  
Section 08: The West 5 acres of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, and  
Section 17: Government Lot 2

Seller(s): Arthur J. Mervenne, Jr., Holland, 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) April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on May 7, 2019.

Management Purpose: This vacant property is located beyond the terminus of Old Allegan Road with its northerly boundary being an active rail line. The property includes 1,320 feet of frontage on the Kalamazoo River and a bayou off the river on the northerly extent of the property.

The property lies within the dedicated boundary of the Allegan State Game Area. Covered in a mix of marsh, bayou and some wooded upland, the property is an ideal addition to the game area. Acquisition of the property adds to and consolidates land managed as part of the Allegan State Game Area.

Comments: The property provides excellent waterfowl, turkey and deer hunting opportunities. Acquisition of this property contributes toward meeting the Wildlife Division Land Acquisition Strategy objective of acquiring 1,000 acres of waterfowl habitat with high quality natural resource values.

This acquisition provides increased public outdoor recreation opportunities in southern Michigan.

The seller will convey mineral rights relative to this tract.


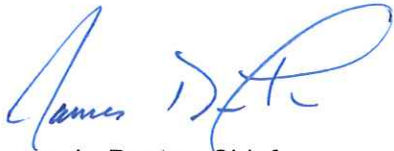
Engagement: A letter of support was received from Allegan County.

Recommendation:

1. That the acquisition be approved, with payment to be made from the Michigan 7C Statewide Wetland (Waterfowl Capital Outlay) fund.
2. This land is to be dedicated as part of the Allegan State Game Area.



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FOR Deb Begalle, Chief  
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James L. Dexter, Chief  
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I approve the staff recommendations.

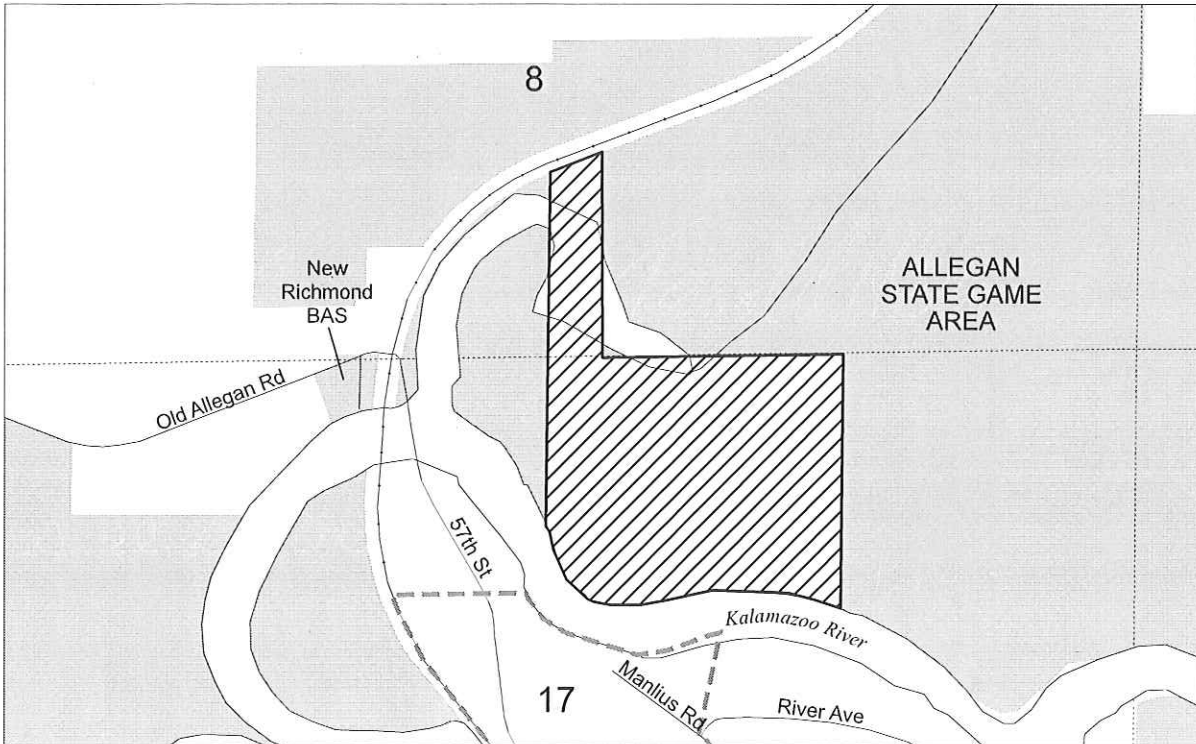


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



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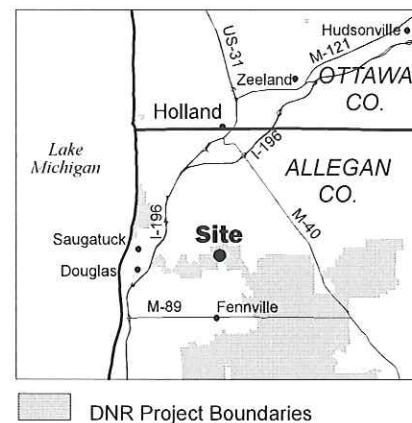
# WILDLIFE LAND ACQUISITION

Allegan State Game Area – Allegan County  
Land Transaction Case #20180045



Sections 8 and 17, T03N, R15W, Manlius Township

-  Land to be acquired by DNR (40.94 acres)
-  State land
-  Private land
-  DNR Project Boundary







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DIRECTOR

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INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange  
Grayling and Roscommon Management Units – Crawford and Roscommon Counties  
Charlton Heston Academy Exchange  
Land Transaction Case #20190037

Applicant: Charlton Heston Academy, St. Helen, Michigan

PA 240 of 2018: PILT Estimate: \$170.00  
The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac county line and will result in no net change of DNR-managed lands.

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**Private Land Offered in Exchange:**

Acreage: 40 acres

Location: Crawford County, South Branch Township, T25N, R02W, Section 19:  
The SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4

Value: \$ 46,000.00

Total Compensation  
to be Provided by  
Applicant: \$ 10,000.00

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**State Land Desired in Exchange:**

Acreage: 40 acres

Location: Roscommon County, Richfield Township, T23N, R01W, Section 26:  
Part of the SW 1/4, as more accurately described in the case file.

Value: \$ 56,000.00


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- Authority: Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.
- Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) April 30, 2019 calendar and is eligible for approval on May 7, 2019.
- Comments: The desired state-owned land is adjacent to the applicant's land and disposal will eliminate a site of historical trespass issues. The offered land is adjacent to state land on three sides and contains high timber and wildlife habitat values.
- 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 recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on April 18, 2019.
- 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 Roscommon Management Unit.





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I approve the staff recommendations.



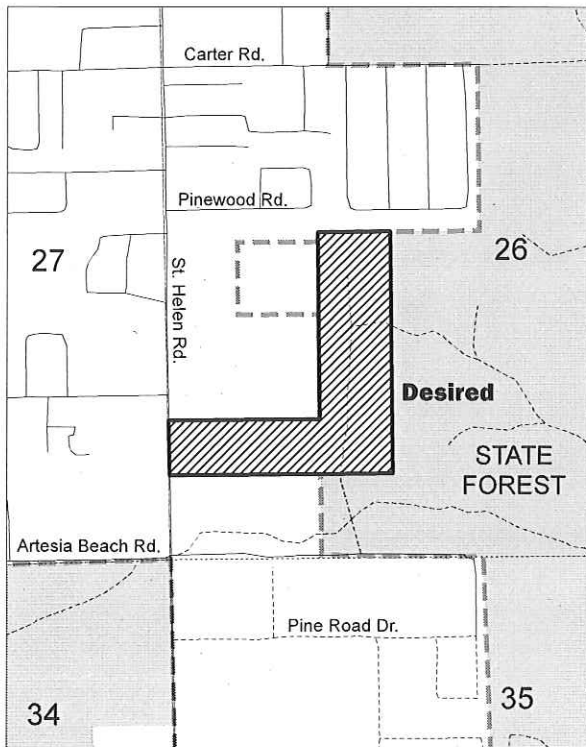
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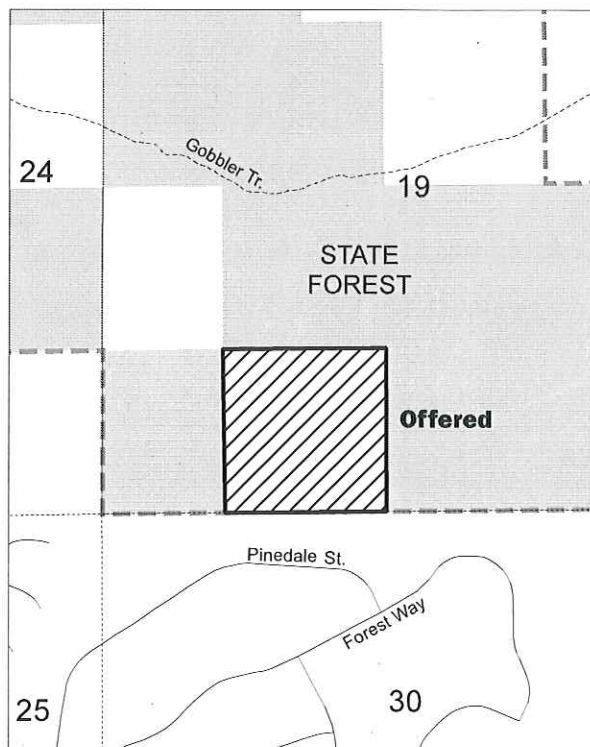
# STATE FOREST LAND EXCHANGE

Grayling and Roscommon Management Units  
Crawford and Roscommon Counties  
Land Transaction Case #20190037



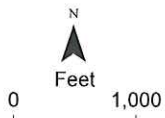
Section 26, T23N, R01W  
Richfield Township, Roscommon County

- State land desired from DNR (40.0 acres)
- State land
- Private land
- DNR Project Boundary



Section 19, T25N, R02W  
South Branch Township, Crawford County

- Land offered to DNR in exchange (40.0 acres)
- State land
- Private land
- DNR Project Boundary



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