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The Honorable Michael Lahti, Chair
House Appropriations Subcommittee on
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Dear Senator McManus and Representative Lahti:

Pursuant to Section 702(1), PA 252 of 2008, attached is a report of construction projects causing campground closures that are scheduled to occur in the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) state parks during Fiscal Year 2008-2009, and a report of average monthly campground occupancy during the 2008 summer season.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: Senate Appropriations Subcommittee Members
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**Department of Natural Resources
Campsite or Campground Closures
Fiscal Year 2008-09**

Park	Number of Sites	Dates	Reason for Closure	Estimated Construction Cost	Impact on Revenue	Impact to Campers
Sleeper	Cabins A, 8, 9	Cabin A - January 1, 2009 to April 30, 2009 Cabin 8 - January 1, 2009 to June 18, 2009 Cabin 9 - January 1, 2009 to May 21, 2009	Remodeling	\$7,700	-\$130	Minimal impact since this is a slow time of year; repairs are necessary - roofs leak and restroom floor is rotting.
Indian Lake - South Unit	145 sites and 2 mini cabins	September 8, 2009 to the end of the season (November 1, 2009)	Construction of a new campground office and day use road	\$875,000	-\$13,000	Campers will not be able to camp or use the day use area until construction is completed. The West Unit, which is normally closed during this time, will remain open so campers will have a place to go during this time period.
Otsego	56 sites and 1 mini cabin	September 3, 2008 to May 15, 2009	New toilet building	\$920,000	-\$2,860	Only impact to campers was during fall festival - 55 sites were not available for the weekend.
Mitchell	Maximum 22 channel sites	Fall 2008 to June 30, 2009	New seawall	\$2,000,000	-\$32,967	Campers will not be able to camp until construction is completed and the sites have had an opportunity to be restored. There are still 200 sites in the campground that will be available for camping.

Department of Natural Resources
Campground Occupancy
Summer Season 2008

Campground	Camp Nights May 26, 2008 through August 31, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy May 26, 2008 through August 31, 2008
Albert E. Sleeper State Park	11,321	224	52%
Algonac State Park	12,105	296	42%
Aloha State Park	15,559	287	55%
Bald Mountain Recreation Area	66	2	34%
Baraga State Park	2,295	119	20%
Bay City Recreation Area	9,001	195	47%
Bewabic State Park	3,843	144	27%
Brighton Recreation Area	8,953	235	39%
Brimley State Park	9,591	271	36%
Burt Lake State Park	16,405	301	56%
Charles Mears State Park	13,904	179	79%
Cheboygan State Park	3,063	76	41%
Clear Lake State Park	8,639	201	44%
Craig Lake State Park	213	3	72%
F.J. McLain State Park	6,907	107	66%
Fayette Historic State Park	2,254	61	38%
Fisherman's Island State Park	3,486	81	44%
Fort Custer Recreation Area	9,910	219	46%
Fort Wilkins State Historic Park	6,510	166	40%
Grand Haven State Park	14,785	174	87%
Harrisville State Park	10,902	196	57%
Hartwick Pines State Park	5,086	100	52%
Highland Recreation Area	526	25	21%
Holland State Park	25,418	310	84%
Holly Recreation Area	7,323	161	46%
Indian Lake State Park	7,036	304	24%
Interlochen State Park	23,704	492	49%
Ionia Recreation Area	5,643	151	38%
Island Lake Recreation Area	99	2	51%
J.W. Wells State Park	5,831	150	40%
Lake Gogebic State Park	4,241	127	34%
Lake Hudson Recreation Area	3,290	50	67%
Lakeport State Park	16,826	286	60%
Leelanau State Park	3,207	55	59%
Ludington State Park	29,620	347	87%
Metamora-Hadley Recreation Area	10,499	216	50%
Muskallonge Lake State Park	6,766	171	40%

Campground	Camp Nights May 26, 2008 through August 31, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy May 26, 2008 through August 31, 2008
Muskegon State Park	18,380	249	75%
Newaygo State Park	2,875	99	30%
North Higgins Lake State Park	9,460	176	55%
Onaway State Park	2,691	85	32%
Orchard Beach State Park	10,533	169	64%
Ortonville	10	1	10%
Otsego Lake State Park	9,947	156	65%
P.H. Hoeft State Park	5,847	143	42%
P.J. Hoffmaster State Park	19,482	293	68%
Petoskey State Park	12,629	171	75%
Pinckney Recreation Area	11,707	205	58%
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area	5,652	196	29%
Porcupine Mountains State Park	10,402	201	53%
Port Crescent State Park	9,478	138	70%
Proud Lake Recreation Area	5,117	132	40%
Rifle River State Park	10,384	174	61%
Seven Lakes State Park	3,547	71	51%
Silver Lake State Park	13,646	196	71%
Sleepy Hollow State Park	8,805	181	50%
South Higgins Lake State Park	26,139	401	67%
Sterling State Park	13,870	256	55%
Straits State Park	12,318	277	45%
Tahquamenon Falls State Park	14,615	319	47%
Tawas Point State Park	13,988	197	72%
Traverse City State Park	18,855	345	56%
Twin Lakes State Park	2,195	63	36%
Van Buren State Park	13,788	220	64%
Van Riper State Park	7,044	189	38%
W.J. Hayes State Park	7,388	187	40%
Warren Dunes State Park	16,240	213	78%
Waterloo Recreation Area	16,321	396	42%
Wilderness State Park	15,371	250	63%
William Mitchell State Park	13,219	216	62%
Wilson State Park	5,529	161	35%
Yankee Springs Recreation Area	21,640	365	60%
Young State Park	15,983	242	67%
Total	729,922	13,817	54%

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Campground Occupancy
June 2008

Campground	Camp Nights May 26, 2008 through June 29, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy May 26, 2008 through June 29, 2008
Albert E. Sleeper State Park	1,802	224	23.0%
Algonac State Park	3,014	296	29.1%
Aloha State Park	2,696	287	26.8%
Bald Mountain Recreation Area	21	2	30.0%
Baraga State Park	375	119	9.0%
Bay City Recreation Area	2,416	195	35.4%
Bewabic State Park	785	144	15.6%
Brighton Recreation Area	2,258	235	27.5%
Brimley State Park	1,340	271	14.1%
Burt Lake State Park	2,597	301	24.7%
Charles Mears State Park	3,570	179	57.0%
Cheboygan State Park	378	76	14.2%
Clear Lake State Park	1,234	201	17.5%
Craig Lake State Park	73	3	69.5%
F.J. McLain State Park	1,279	107	34.2%
Fayette Historic State Park	298	61	14.0%
Fisherman's Island State Park	563	81	19.9%
Fort Custer Recreation Area	2,567	219	33.5%
Fort Wilkins State Historic Park	754	166	13.0%
Grand Haven State Park	4,493	174	73.8%
Harrisville State Park	1,806	196	26.3%
Hartwick Pines State Park	1,225	100	35.0%
Highland Recreation Area	111	25	12.7%
Holland State Park	7,303	310	67.3%
Holly Recreation Area	1,854	161	32.9%
Indian Lake State Park	1,165	304	10.9%
Interlochen State Park	2,749	492	16.0%
Ionia Recreation Area	1,550	151	29.3%
Island Lake Recreation Area	16	2	22.9%
J.W. Wells State Park	1,038	150	19.8%
Lake Gogebic State Park	833	127	18.7%
Lake Hudson Recreation Area	325	50	18.6%
Lakeport State Park	4,080	286	40.8%
Leelanau State Park	538	55	27.9%
Ludington State Park	7,514	347	61.9%
Metamora-Hadley Recreation Area	2,562	216	33.9%
Muskallonge Lake State Park	1,000	171	16.7%

Campground	Camp Nights May 26, 2008 through June 29, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy May 26, 2008 through June 29, 2008
Muskegon State Park	4,255	249	48.8%
Newaygo State Park	590	99	17.0%
North Higgins Lake State Park	1,579	176	25.6%
Onaway State Park	472	85	15.9%
Orchard Beach State Park	1,630	169	27.6%
Ortonville Recreation Area	1	1	2.9%
Otsego Lake State Park	2,060	156	37.7%
P.H. Hoeft State Park	638	143	12.7%
P.J. Hoffmaster State Park	4,483	293	43.7%
Petoskey State Park	2,196	171	36.7%
Pinckney Recreation Area	2,382	205	33.2%
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area	1,301	196	19.0%
Porcupine Mountains State Park	1,532	201	21.8%
Port Crescent State Park	2,157	138	44.7%
Proud Lake Recreation Area	1,189	132	25.7%
Rifle River State Park	2,522	174	41.4%
Seven Lakes State Park	832	71	33.5%
Silver Lake State Park	2,903	196	42.3%
Sleepy Hollow State Park	2,569	181	40.6%
South Higgins Lake State Park	4,676	401	33.3%
Sterling State Park	4,289	256	47.9%
Straits State Park	2,368	277	24.4%
Tahquamenon Falls State Park	2,295	319	20.6%
Tawas Point State Park	2,870	197	41.6%
Traverse City State Park	2,783	345	23.0%
Twin Lakes State Park	353	63	16.0%
Van Buren State Park	3,120	220	40.5%
Van Riper State Park	1,399	189	21.1%
W.J. Hayes State Park	1,934	187	29.5%
Warren Dunes State Park	3,111	213	41.7%
Waterloo Recreation Area	3,637	396	26.2%
Wilderness State Park	2,614	250	29.9%
William Mitchell State Park	2,924	216	38.7%
Wilson State Park	754	161	13.4%
Yankee Springs Recreation Area	4,859	365	38.0%
Young State Park	3,267	242	38.6%
Total	150,726	13,817	31.2%

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Campground Occupancy
July 2008

Campground	Camp Nights June 30, 2008 through July 27, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy June 30, 2008 through July 27, 2008
Albert E. Sleeper State Park	4,135	224	66%
Algonac State Park	4,014	296	48%
Aloha State Park	6,231	287	78%
Bald Mountain Recreation Area	17	2	30%
Baraga State Park	890	119	27%
Bay City Recreation Area	3,149	195	58%
Bewabic State Park	1,589	144	39%
Brighton Recreation Area	2,965	235	45%
Brimley State Park	3,819	271	50%
Burt Lake State Park	6,888	301	82%
Charles Mears State Park	4,698	179	94%
Cheboygan State Park	1,336	76	63%
Clear Lake State Park	3,749	201	67%
Craig Lake State Park	57	3	68%
F.J. McLain State Park	2,378	107	79%
Fayette Historic State Park	931	61	55%
Fisherman's Island State Park	1,217	81	54%
Fort Custer Recreation Area	3,352	219	55%
Fort Wilkins State Historic Park	2,292	166	49%
Grand Haven State Park	4,622	174	95%
Harrisville State Park	4,098	196	75%
Hartwick Pines State Park	1,821	100	65%
Highland Recreation Area	174	25	25%
Holland State Park	8,190	310	94%
Holly Recreation Area	2,472	161	55%
Indian Lake State Park	2,803	304	33%
Interlochen State Park	11,481	492	83%
Ionia Recreation Area	1,882	151	45%
Island Lake Recreation Area	42	2	75%
J.W. Wells State Park	2,214	150	53%
Lake Gogebic State Park	1,547	127	44%
Lake Hudson Recreation Area	1,949	50	139%
Lakeport State Park	5,781	286	72%
Leelanau State Park	1,124	55	73%
Ludington State Park	9,667	347	99%
Metamora-Hadley Recreation Area	3,751	216	62%

Campground	Camp Nights June 30, 2008 through July 27, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy June 30, 2008 through July 27, 2008
Muskallonge Lake State Park	2,371	171	50%
Muskegon State Park	6,337	249	91%
Newaygo State Park	1,113	99	40%
North Higgins Lake State Park	3,787	176	77%
Onaway State Park	1,060	85	45%
Orchard Beach State Park	3,974	169	84%
Ortonville	3	1	11%
Otsego Lake State Park	3,849	156	88%
P.H. Hoeft State Park	2,066	143	52%
P.J. Hoffmaster State Park	7,352	293	90%
Petoskey State Park	4,508	171	94%
Pinckney Recreation Area	4,692	205	82%
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area	1,963	196	36%
Porcupine Mountains State Park	4,112	201	73%
Port Crescent State Park	3,285	138	85%
Proud Lake Recreation Area	1,732	132	47%
Rifle River State Park	3,749	174	77%
Seven Lakes State Park	1,310	71	66%
Silver Lake State Park	5,010	196	91%
Sleepy Hollow State Park	2,967	181	59%
South Higgins Lake State Park	10,444	401	93%
Sterling State Park	4,582	256	64%
Straits State Park	4,306	277	56%
Tahquamenon Falls State Park	5,128	319	57%
Tawas Point State Park	5,056	197	92%
Traverse City State Park	7,944	345	82%
Twin Lakes State Park	906	63	51%
Van Buren State Park	4,889	220	79%
Van Riper State Park	2,767	189	52%
W.J. Hayes State Park	2,420	187	46%
Warren Dunes State Park	6,809	213	114%
Waterloo Recreation Area	6,223	396	56%
Wilderness State Park	5,872	250	84%
William Mitchell State Park	5,027	216	83%
Wilson State Park	2,122	161	47%
Yankee Springs Recreation Area	8,928	365	87%
Young State Park	6,122	242	90%
Total	272,110	13,817	70%

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Campground Occupancy
August 2008

Campground	Camp Nights July 28, 2008 through August 31, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy July 28, 2008 through August 31, 2008
Albert E. Sleeper State Park	5,384	224	69%
Algonac State Park	5,077	296	49%
Aloha State Park	6,632	287	66%
Bald Mountain Recreation Area	28	2	40%
Baraga State Park	1,030	119	25%
Bay City Recreation Area	3,436	195	50%
Bewabic State Park	1,469	144	29%
Brighton Recreation Area	3,730	235	45%
Brimley State Park	4,432	271	47%
Burt Lake State Park	6,920	301	66%
Charles Mears State Park	5,636	179	90%
Cheboygan State Park	1,349	76	51%
Clear Lake State Park	3,656	201	52%
Craig Lake State Park	83	3	79%
F.J. McLain State Park	3,250	107	87%
Fayette Historic State Park	1,025	61	48%
Fisherman's Island State Park	1,706	81	60%
Fort Custer Recreation Area	3,991	219	52%
Fort Wilkins State Historic Park	3,464	166	60%
Grand Haven State Park	5,670	174	93%
Harrisville State Park	4,998	196	73%
Hartwick Pines State Park	2,040	100	58%
Highland Recreation Area	241	25	28%
Holland State Park	9,925	310	91%
Holly Recreation Area	2,997	161	53%
Indian Lake State Park	3,068	304	29%
Interlochen State Park	9,474	492	55%
Ionia Recreation Area	2,211	151	42%
Island Lake Recreation Area	41	2	59%
J.W. Wells State Park	2,579	150	49%
Lake Gogebic State Park	1,861	127	42%
Lake Hudson Recreation Area	1,016	50	58%
Lakeport State Park	6,965	286	70%
Leelanau State Park	1,545	55	80%
Ludington State Park	12,439	347	102%
Metamora-Hadley Recreation Area	4,186	216	55%
Muskallonge Lake State Park	3,395	171	57%
Muskegon State Park	7,788	249	89%

Campground	Camp Nights July 28, 2008 through August 31, 2008	Number of Campsites	Occupancy July 28, 2008 through August 31, 2008
Newaygo State Park	1,172	99	34%
North Higgins Lake State Park	4,094	176	66%
Onaway State Park	1,159	85	39%
Orchard Beach State Park	4,929	169	83%
Ortonville	6	1	17%
Otsego Lake State Park	4,038	156	74%
P.H. Hoefft State Park	3,143	143	63%
P.J. Hoffmaster State Park	7,647	293	75%
Petoskey State Park	5,925	171	99%
Pinckney Recreation Area	4,633	205	65%
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area	2,388	196	35%
Porcupine Mountains State Park	4,758	201	68%
Port Crescent State Park	4,036	138	84%
Proud Lake Recreation Area	2,196	132	48%
Rifle River State Park	4,113	174	68%
Seven Lakes State Park	1,405	71	57%
Silver Lake State Park	5,733	196	84%
Sleepy Hollow State Park	3,269	181	52%
South Higgins Lake State Park	11,019	401	79%
Sterling State Park	4,999	256	56%
Straits State Park	5,644	277	58%
Tahquamenon Falls State Park	7,192	319	64%
Tawas Point State Park	6,062	197	88%
Traverse City State Park	8,128	345	67%
Twin Lakes State Park	936	63	42%
Van Buren State Park	5,779	220	75%
Van Riper State Park	2,878	189	44%
W.J. Hayes State Park	3,034	187	46%
Warren Dunes State Park	6,320	213	85%
Waterloo Recreation Area	6,461	396	47%
Wilderness State Park	6,885	250	79%
William Mitchell State Park	5,268	216	70%
Wilson State Park	2,653	161	47%
Yankee Springs Recreation Area	7,853	365	61%
Young State Park	6,594	242	78%
Total	307,086	13,817	64%