RESOLUTION NO. 11-2007-03

RESOLUTION OF

THE CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR MICHIGAN STATE PARKS TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE "WETZEL STATE RECREATION AREA - GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN"

ADOPTED: November 28, 2007

WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) Parks and Recreation Division has completed Phase 1 of the General Management Plan for the Wetzel State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, the planning process reflects sensitivity to natural resource values, historic and cultural resource values, recreation and education opportunities, is inclusive of all Department programs, and representative of eco-management; and

WHEREAS, the planning process was further inclusive of stakeholder, constituent, and public input, and was assisted greatly by a partnership with Lenox Township of Macomb County, who funded the consultant services for development of the plan and were active participants throughout the process; and

WHEREAS, the General Management Plan represents sound guidance for future planning phases that will be consistent with the mission of the Department and the Parks and Recreation Division, and reflective of the purpose and significance of the Wetzel State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, the General Management Plan has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Parks and Recreation Division Management Team, the Department Statewide Council and its Southern Lower Peninsula Ecoregional Team, and has been recommended for approval by the Stewardship Subcommittee of the Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks approves the Wetzel State Recreation Area Phase 1 - General Management Plan; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that greater emphasis be included in the Executive Summary, general text and maps for future, desired acquisitions; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks further recommends that the Department Director approve the Phase 1 – General Management Plan for the Wetzel State Recreation Area; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that upon approval by the Department Director, the Parks and Recreation Division initiate the Phase 2 – Long Range Action Plan for the Wetzel State Recreation Area.

Submitted by: Michael McDonald, Chair of the Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks' Stewardship Subcommittee

Motioned by: Mary Pitcher Yeas: 12 Seconded by: Todd Scott Nays: 0 Absent: 4

This Resolution was adopted by the Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks on November 28, 2007.