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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Strategic Plan for Accessibility was developed to support the Governor's vision, the DNR mission and to meet the compliance and funding source requirements. The DNR receives federal funds from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, for programs and development of access to natural resources in Michigan. The DNR Strategic Plan for Accessibility was developed focusing on these compliance and funding requirements targeted towards the components of the Civil Rights Post –Award Review.

The Accessible Programs and Outreach (APO) Work Group was temporary in nature and set up to support the Accessibility Team in kick-starting the Accessibility Strategic Plan. The Work Group provided emphasis and expertise from staff that are not part of the Accessibility Team.

This booklet contains information on programs, services, and facilities that are currently accessible, options available for the public, and snapshots of the webpages that provide information on these accessible programs, services, and facilities through a search engine.

Also included in this booklet is information on what has been accomplished thus far, and what may be accomplished in the future to improve the DNR's accessible programs and services, and ways to let the public know about them.

In addition, the DNR has created an Accessibility Advisory Council in order to develop a network of advisors, both from outside entities and from within state government. Information on the role of the Council, its bylaws *(DRAFT)*, and other information are included.

The Accessible Programs and Outreach Work Group are commended for their contributions to this important and worthwhile effort. Their hard work and commitment provides the base upon which this Department can build to enhance the ability of everyone to access the natural resources of Michigan.



STRATEGIC PLAN FOR ACCESSIBILITY - NOVEMBER 2004

The Department's Strategic Plan for Accessibility (Plan) was envisioned in 2002. The Plan was intended to present a broad overview to the Michigan DNR Management Team of the work required in order for Department programs, facilities, and services to be inclusive and to comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The Plan development began in January of 2002 and continued into November 2004. The following represents the completed Michigan DNR Strategic Plan for Accessibility. The major components include:

- accessibility training for Michigan DNR staff;
- an accessibility assessment of all existing Michigan DNR programs, services and facilities;
- involvement by public disability advocacy groups in Michigan DNR's planning process;
- development of an action plan to correct existing accessibility deficiencies;
- development of inclusive new facilities, programs and services;
- a means to evaluate and document Departmental efforts and progress toward accessibility;
- A proposed timeline for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Accessibility.

The Strategic Plan for Accessibility is an evolving process. Information gathered in the initial phases of the Plan will direct the activities to be accomplished in the later phases.

The final goal is for the Michigan DNR to offer a comprehensive and consistent approach to inclusiveness in the Department's recreational programs, facilities and services.

Available funding, human resources, and support of this Plan by the Michigan DNR Management Team are all critical to its success.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES MISSION STATEMENT

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the State's natural resources for current and future generations.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESSIBILITY VISION

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (Department) commits its human and financial resources to ensure that: 1) all programs, facilities and services comply with the State and Federal accessibility guidelines and standards, and 2) DNR employees and the public are aware that the Department's programs, facilities and services comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines.

GOAL 1 Ensure that decisions affecting Departmental programs, facilities, and services are inclusive, incorporating accessibility guidelines and standards.

Objective A: Educate DNR employees and public advisory groups about the legal rights of persons with disabilities.

- 1) Provide consistent training:
 - a) Identify training needs within each Bureau, Division, Office (B/D/O)
 - b) Assess current training opportunities
 - c) Develop training programs, pertinent to staff job responsibilities
 - d) Arrange training sessions
 - e) Track the training accomplishments within each B/D/O;
- 2) Disseminate information to employees and public user groups regarding current standards, proposed changes to the standards, statutes, case law and Department procedures, in a routine and consistent manner.
 - a) Assess available information and resources
 - b) Determine the applicability of the information to the employees within each B/D/O
 - c) Develop information manuals for staff
 - d) Develop and update Department accessibility procedures;
 - Printed materials <u>http://dnrintranet/pdfs/divisions/fosb/asdproc/22.00.01.htm</u>
 - Accommodations for meetings and events (must develop)
 - Complaints Processing
 http://dnrintranet/pdfs/divisions/fosb/asdproc/22.00.03.htm

- Effective Communication (must develop)
- Web-based information (must develop)
- ADA Facility Accessibility Exemption <u>http://dnrintranet/pdfs/divisions/fosb/asdproc/22.02.01.htm</u>
- e) Develop strategy for sharing information with staff and the public.
- f) Prepare DNR response to proposed changes of standards, coordinating the response through the State of Michigan's ADA Coordinator.
- Address and incorporate accessibility issues early on in the planning/visioning aspects of all new construction projects and program development.

Objective B: Assist B/D/Os with program development and implementation. **Action items:**

- 1) Provide guidance and consultation regarding:
 - a) Accessibility reference materials and resources;
 - b) Department policies and procedures;
 - c) Interpretation of the guidelines;
 - d) Intranet Q&A.
- 2) Assist B/D/O's outreach efforts:
 - a) Establish points of contact with disability resources, including the State of Michigan ADA Coordinator; the Great Lakes Disability and Technical Assistance Center, (GLDBTAC), the National Center on Accessibility (NCA), the U. S. Access Board, the U.S. Department of Justice, (DOJ);
 - b) Establish a point of contact and maintain a current list of public user groups, including Disabilities Today, Paralyzed Vets, and Centers for Independent Living, etc.

GOAL 2 The Department shall have a detailed plan to bring non-compliant programs, facilities and services into compliance with state and federal accessibility requirements.

Objective A: Inventory the Department's programs, facilities and services. **Action items:**

- 1) Define Department programs
 - a) What are the program elements
 - b) What is needed by individuals with disabilities to participate in each program;
- 2) Identify all Department Services
 - a) What are the service elements
 - b) What is needed by individuals with disabilities to use each service;

- 3) Identify all existing facilities;
- 4) Identify any new or proposed facilities, programs, and services and the timeframe for development;
- 5) Develop an effective, uniform accessibility compliance checklist for all Departmental facilities, programs, and services;
- 6) Develop an efficient and user-friendly inventory database to track and monitor all programs, facilities, and services.
- 7) Update the overall "master list" of accessible elements, including all new construction and additions to services or programs, on an annual basis.

Objective B: Evaluate programs, facilities and services for compliance with State and Federal accessibility guidelines.

Action items:

- 1) Train internal audit teams to evaluate programs, facilities and services <u>OR</u> hire the services of an outside agency to conduct the evaluations;
- 2) Identify existing program, facilities and services that comply and those that have deficiencies. Enter this information into the database;
- 3) Analyze and summarize the compliance status of each facility and program.

Objective C: Prioritize noncompliant programs, facilities, and services that require action to become compliant.

- 1) Present compliance status report to B/D/Os and request their priorities for action, including a suggested schedule of implementation to improve each program, facility, and service;
- 2) Compile the B/D/Os prioritized list into a Department prioritized list, considering:
 - a) Target dates for completion;
 - b) Percentage of each type of facility or program to be updated;
 - c) Geographic distribution of types of facilities that are to be updated.
- 3) Present the Department's priorities to focus groups, advisory groups and the general public and request input;
- 4) Revise priorities for action, as needed;
- 5) Present revised priorities and compliance status report to DNR Management Team for endorsement.

Objective D: Implement the Department compliance plan.

Action items:

- 1) Convey the Department compliance plan to the B/D/Os and staff for implementation;
- 2) Convey the compliance plan to the general public, focus groups and & advisory groups for information;

Objective E: Monitor progress of the plan.

Action items:

- 1) Annual progress report of accessibility activity within each B/D/O;
- 2) Update Database to reflect activity on annuall basis;
- 3) Submit Department progress report to DNR management team.

GOAL 3 Ensure that financial and human resources are available to implement the Strategic Plan for Accessibility.

Objective A: Identify operational costs and personnel needs for:

- 1) Inventory and training;
- 2) Database development and management;
- 3) Materials and outreach.

Objective B: B/D/Os identify additional funding needs for program and facility upgrades.

Action items:

Each B/D/O identifies the costs associated with updating the facilities and programs for which they have management responsibility.

Objective C: Pursue grants and other outside funding sources and resources.

- 1) Each B/D/O identifies potential funding sources to upgrade facilities, programs, and services within their B/D/O;
- 2) Pursue partnerships with municipalities and local governmental agencies, private organizations, federal agencies, and other state agencies;
- Set aside or establish a lump sum of annual Department or B/D/O budget to improve and upgrade existing identified facilities, programs, or services.

GOAL 4 Effectively convey information regarding accessible programs and facilities to the public and Department employees.

Objective A: Maximize effectiveness of current communication methods.

Action items:

- 1) Review, evaluate, and improve written materials, DNR web-based information, video, press releases;
- 2) Collaborate with the DNR Office of Communication;
- 3) Respond to public complaints and improve our facilities and programs accordingly;
- Ensure that posters listing the rights of the public to file an accessibility complaint and the complaint procedures are evident at all DNR-operated and managed facilities.

Objective B: Devise additional means to communicate news of DNR's accessible facilities and programs.

Action items:

- 1) Utilize radio, television, National Center on Accessibility showcase, magazines, E-mail list services, special interest groups;
- 2) Showcase DNR accessible facilities and programs through special events;
- Develop an area of the DNR websites (intranet and internet) to:
 a) Communicate accessibility successes and initiatives to employees and the public.
 - b) Search engine feature to highlight accessible elements for each B/D/O.
- 4) Submit completed projects, programs, or services to national institutes for publication, recognition, and greater exposure.

GOAL 5 Evaluate the Department's performance in achieving the DNR Accessibility Vision. Evaluations shall be used to modify the goals and objectives of the Accessibility Plan, as needed.

Objective A: Identify the best means to monitor the Department's compliance with accessibility requirements, which are dynamic.

Action items:

- 1) Consult with other state and federal agencies for guidance and examples of effective compliance monitoring instruments;
- 2) Determine the most efficient and most cost effective compliance monitoring methods;
- 3) Develop DNR compliance monitoring process to be used.

Objective B: Implement compliance monitoring.

- 1) Locate (by B/D/O) the program areas and establish geographic boundaries for monitoring;
- 2) Conduct monitoring of the geographic areas on a rotating basis;
- 3) Establish specific review periods for internal assessment annually or bi-annually;
- 4) Compile the results of the compliance monitoring and report results to the DNR Management Team and to the State ADA Coordinator.

Accessibility Coordinator – Human Resources

Duties:

- Respond to formal and informal requests for resolution or access from the public regarding DNR program and facilities
- Review changes to legal requirements and communicates this information to the Accessibility Liaisons
- Act as Advisor to the Accessibility Team
- Provide advice and interpretation of ADA guidelines to Department staff on an as-needed basis
- Perform random ADA compliance audits of DNR facilities and reports the results to the B/D/O
- Review design plans for DNR facilities, as requested
- Coordinate accessibility training for DNR staff
- Represent the DNR in U.S. Fish and Wildlife audits of Departments accessibility
- Review the recent case law and updates the Accessibility Liaisons
- Develop accessibility policy and procedures

Accessibility Team Chairperson

1-year term, must be experienced Accessibility Liaison

Duties:

- Chair the Accessibility Team.
- Plan and coordinate meetings
- Create the agenda and facilitate meetings
- Chair the Accessibility Team development, communications and sustainment work group
- Ensure effective communication between team and the B/D/Os, other agencies and the public
- Provide back up to the ADA and Accessibility Coordinator, when needed
- Represent the Department, when needed
- Ensure Department-wide initiatives are completed
- Monitor work groups for progress and support needs

Accessibility Team Scribe

Duties:

• Take minutes and publish in a timely manner

ACCESSIBILITY LIAISONS

Duties:

• Be a point of contact and expert for questions concerning accessibility issues within their B/D/O

- Attend training to learn and know the accessibility requirements that pertain to their specific B/D/O issues
- Represent the B/D/Os interests on Accessibility Team
- Work with the Department Accessibility Coordinator to resolve public complaints, conducting the fact-finding for the incident
- Elevate complex cases and those with Department-wide implications to the Department ADA Coordinator
- Act as point of contact and expert for questions concerning accessibility issues within their B/D/O
- Report the status of accessibility improvements with their B/D/O to the Accessibility Coordinator on an annual basis
- Assist with Department accessibility policy and procedure development
- Ensure their B/D/O complies with Department accessibility policy and procedure
- Review and provide written comments on proposed changes to accessibility guidelines
- Communicate accessibility news to relevant B/D/O staff and managers, including the Chief
- Participate in B/D/O program developments to ensure inclusion of accessibility

Standing Work Groups

- Training
- Accessibility Advisory Council Development
- Kellogg Foundation Projects
- Webpage/Search Engine development

Temporary Work Groups

- Process, Documentation, and Communication
- Guidelines Review
- Universal Access Parameters and Criteria
- Contracting and Purchasing
- Definitions

ACCESSIBILITY TEAM MEMBERS

Department Accessibility Liaisons

William Pemble, Chair	Land and Facilities
Bonnie Arthur	Communications
Julee Hasbany	Communications
Erica Moore	Fisheries –Scribe
Tami Pattison	Fisheries
Brenda Curtis	Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management
Deborah Stolecki	Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management
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Department Accessibility Team Coordinators

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ACCESSIBILITY TRAINING

The Accessibility Team has identified and provided the following training to Department staff to better address accessibility issues.

Target Audience Goal	Introduction to Accessibility Assessments of Built Facilities For those who manage and/or maintain DNR managed facilities. Provide skills and tools to view an existing facility and conduct an assessment using the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG). Employees will learn how to do an accessibility assessment of built facilities to ensure compliance with ADA. (8-16 hours)
	Accessible Temporary Meeting and Event Planning Agenda
Target Audience	For those who plan, facilitate, or participate in DNR-sponsored events or meetings for the public.
Goal	Familiarize staff with the regulatory requirements of a state entity and the Accessible Temporary Meeting and Event Planning Guidelines. (3 hours)
	Accessibility for Interpreters Training - Interaction Through Our Senses
Target Audience	For those who interpret our natural resources to the public or for planners of interpretive programs and services
Goal	Specialized training for any interpreter that includes training on mobility access, visual access, access for the deaf and hard of hearing, and access for mental impairments (8 hours)
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	Creating Visual Access and Pathways
Target Audience	Anyone who plans, builds or develops programs, services or facilities
Goal	To provide a thought process and understanding of how a person who does not have sight or has low vision interacts with and navigates. To provide an understanding of visual orientation and visual mobility. (1 hour)
	Supervisor Academy Series - Public Non Discrimination and ADA Training
Target Audience	Supervisors and Managers
Goal	To provide an understanding of a managers' and supervisors' role in providing access to the public. To understand role and liability in implementing our policies and procedures for the public. (1 hour)
	New Employee Orientation - Public Non Discrimination and ADA Training
Target Audience	New Employees
Goal	To provide an overview of their responsibilities in meeting our policy and procedure requirements. Students will gain an understanding of how to interact with the public. (1/2 hour)



ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Accessibility Advisory Council is a longterm voluntary advisory panel created to assist the DNR to reach out to the diverse population of citizens and guests who take part in various recreation activities in the State of Michigan.

It is anticipated that the Accessibility Advisory Council will assist the DNR by providing comments and review on existing programs, services and facilities. The members of the Council may be able to highlight challenges which were previously not perceived. The Council will serve as a resource for making recreational activities accessible and Council applicants should have an interest in Michigan's natural resources by being a user of these resources, some of which may include fishing, boating, hunting, hiking, cycling, camping, and more.

The Accessibility Advisory Council will interact with the DNR Accessibility Team and receive overall direction from the DNR Director. It is desired that members of the Advisory Council be willing to serve a 3-year term. Staff support for the Council will be provided by the Accessibility Team through the Office of Human Resources.

Current plans are that the DNR will host Council meetings at DNR facilities around the state, and showcase facilities and services which may not be well known to all members or to the public. Applicants should be willing to travel to meeting locations.

The DNR recognizes the importance of working with user groups to help define what challenges exist as they recreate in the natural environment. It is the mission of the DNR to make the rich heritage and diversity of Michigan's natural resources accessible to all.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this Council or application, please contact Gerald Harris, Chief, Human Resources, at 517-241-0002 or at https://www.harrisgt@michigan.gov.

DRAFT BYLAWS OF THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL



ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this entity shall be the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Accessibility Advisory Council (AAC).

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The purpose of this Council is to:

- A. Make recommendations relevant to accessibility to the Director and the Department that provide advice and guidance on development, management, and planning issues for opportunities to enjoy the natural resources available in the State of Michigan.
- B. Recommend the development of a broad variety of programs, facilities, and services designed to make the spectrum of natural resources available to the citizens and guests of the State of Michigan.
- C. Inform and educate the public about the importance of and need for accessibility to the natural resources of the State of Michigan.
- D. Strive to involve citizens in planning and development to ensure that the facilities, programs, and projects are barrier-free and accessible to all users.
- E. Evaluate the Department's programs, facilities, and services periodically to ensure that the Council's goals and objectives are being achieved.
- F. Recommend awards that recognize outstanding efforts to improve accessibility.

ARTICLE III – COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Composition

The Council shall consist of individuals appointed by the Director of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources who demonstrate a clear interest in improving accessibility to the natural resources of the State of Michigan.

The Council will include State employees as ex-officio members appointed by the Director of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources whose knowledge, experience, and leadership will be an important element for the success of the Council.

Compensation

Members shall serve without pay. Members of the Council may be reimbursed in compliance with State of Michigan travel standards and rates for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties as members of the Council.

Terms

Council members from outside of state government shall be appointed to initial terms of 3 years; subsequent terms shall be for 2 years.

Council members who are employees of state government shall be appointed for initial terms of 2 years; subsequent terms shall be for 2 years.

Thereafter, any council members appointed (new or replacement) shall receive 3-year terms from the date of appointment.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

Officers

The officers of the Council shall consist of a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

The Council shall elect officers from its membership at the first meeting of each evennumbered year. Officers shall be elected for 2-year terms.

The Council may elect a person to fill any vacancy among the elective officers. A person so elected shall serve for the remainder of the term.

Officer Duties

The Chairperson shall preside at meetings of the Council, appoint sub-committees, and perform all duties generally pertaining to the office of the Chairperson.

The Chairperson may appoint another member to preside at any scheduled meeting at which neither the Chairperson nor the Vice Chairperson are not in attendance.

Removal

The Council may remove a member for good cause. The Council may remove a Council member who does not attend three (3) consecutive meetings.

Council members may be removed from office by a vote of the majority of the Council members.

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

Meetings

The Council shall meet from 4 to 6 times per calendar year.

Special meetings may be called by the Chairperson.

A majority of the Council constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the Council.

Notice of all meetings of the Council shall be given by mail at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Minutes of the previous meeting shall be submitted to the Council membership prior to the next meeting.

A Council member may send a substitute.

The business of the Council shall be conducted at public meeting of the Council held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275.

The official records of the Council shall be retained by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Any writing that is prepared, owned, used in the possession of or retained by the Council in the performance of an official function is subject to the Freedom of Information Act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS



These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Council at a meeting at which a quorum is present, provided that the proposed amendment is circulated to the members at least ten (10) days prior to the regular or special meeting at which the members are to vote.

ARTICLE VII – SUPPORT

Support for the Accessibility Advisory Council will be provided through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' Human Resources Chief and the Department Accessibility Advisory Team.

Support will include, but not be limited to: Agendas, Minutes, Announcements, Meeting Arrangements, Facilitation of Special Work Groups.

ROSTER - ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Sophie Baker (2-Year Term) *Michigan Department of Civil Rights Disability Liaison, Civil Rights*

Vandella Collins (2-Year Term) *Michigan Department of Community Health Surgeon General's Office representative*

Jeff Coupie (3-Year Term) Michigan Sports Unlimited Program Director

Theresa Donnelly (3-Year Term) Facility residential manager for mentally disabled

Sandy Dorey (3-Year Term) *Oakland County Parks*

Carol Ann Fausone (2-Year Term) *Michigan Department of Military & Veteran Affairs Veterans with disabilities, committed 2 staff members to assist in projects*

Rodney Haneline (3-Year Term) *Chief Operating Officer, Leader Dogs for the Blind*

Aaron Harris (3-Year Term) Safari Club

Chris Hunter (2-Year Term) Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth Division on Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Roberta McCall (2-Year Term) *Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth*

Roger McCarville (3-Year Term) *Disabilities Today*

Roster - Accessibility Advisory Council (cont'd)

Scott Norris (2-Year Term) *Michigan History, Arts, and Libraries*

Lucia Rios (3-Year Term) Disability Network-Lakeshore

Miguel Satut (3-Year Term) W. K. Kellogg Foundation

Tom Schneider (3-Year Term) *Lake Huron Sport Fishing*

Scott Severns (3-Year Term) Paralyzed Veterans of America

Bill Sheffer (3-Year Term) *Michigan Association of Recreational Vehicles and Campgrounds*

James Trinklein (3-Year Term) President, Michigan Association of Gamebird Breeders and Hunting Preserves

Mark Velthous (3-Year Term) National Wildlife Turkey Association Wheelin' Sportsmen Regional Event Coordinator

John Witzke (3-Year Term) *Michigan United Conservation Club – Board of Directors Serves on MUCC Accessibility Group*

Duncan Wyeth (2-Year Term) Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth Division on Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Gerald Harris (Sponsor) Michigan Department of Natural Resources Accessibility Advisory Team and Council 517-241-0002, or e-mail at <u>harrisgt@michigan.gov</u>



JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES LANSING

REBECCA A. HUMPHRIES DIRECTOR

July 26, 2006

«Name_» «Organization» «Dept» «Street» «City_State_Zip»

Dear «Name_»:

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is pleased to announce the newly created Accessibility Advisory Council. The Council has been created to advise and to provide recommendations to the Department of Natural Resources.

It is my privilege to have the opportunity to invite you, or your designee, to apply for selection to the new Accessibility Advisory Council. My vision for the members of this new Council is to focus on the DNR's mission, which is to provide access to our state's natural resources and recreation opportunities. The Council will review, make recommendations and provide input for the creation of new programs and facilities. The Council may also provide assistance to us in prioritizing elements of our Strategic Plan for Accessibility. As a member of the Council, you will be a valuable resource in the development of new collaborations and partnerships to improve accessibility. We believe that citizen involvement is key to ensure accessibility for all Michigan residents and tourists.

Members of the Council should be willing to serve either a 2- or 3-year (staggered) term. Current plans are that the DNR will host the Accessibility Advisory Council meetings at facilities around the state and showcase facilities and services. Council members should be willing to travel to meeting locations. Enclosed is an application that I am asking you, or your designee, to complete and return to us, along with your resume, to indicate your interest in serving on this Council.

A formal announcement about the creation of the Council and its new members will be made in a future communication.

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Mr. Gerald Harris, this Department's Human Resources Chief, is the designated contact for the Council and will coordinate future meetings. Please contact Mr. Harris at 517-241-0002, or by e-mail at <u>harrisgt@michigan.gov</u>, **by August 31, 2006**, to let us know if you are willing and able to accept my invitation. Please provide him with your completed application, your resume, and whether you will be available for a 2- or 3-year term.

I want to personally thank you, on behalf of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, for considering this opportunity to serve on this significant Advisory Council. We appreciate your support to help us achieve our mission of ensuring everyone has access to our natural resources' programs, facilities, and services.

Sincerely,

Rebecca A. Humphries Director 517-373-2329

Enclosure cc: Gerald Harris, DNR

Sample letter to State Employee Invitees



JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM GOVERNOR STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES LANSING July 26, 2006

REBECCA A. HUMPHRIES DIRECTOR

«Name_» «Organization» «Dept» «Street» «City_State_Zip»

Dear «Name_»:

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ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL APPLICATION



Michigan Department of Natural Resources

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

APPLICATION

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CONSENT AN	ID CERTIFICATION
I consent to the release of information by my err other individuals and organizations in order to co history check and other public records.	nployer(s), schools, law enforcement agencies, and onduct a background search, including criminal
state and federal laws that forbid discrimination	vice, based on religion, race color, national origin,
departments, officers, employers and agents,	and save harmless, the State of Michigan, its from any and all claims and demands, for all loss, ccurrence related to the activities authorized in my Council.
I certify that all statements and representations materials and resume are, to the best of my kno	provided in this Application and in all accompanying wledge, true and accurate.
I'm available for □2 – Year Term □2 or	3 – Year Term
Signature	Date

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the information requested in this Application, please contact Gerald Harris, Chief, Human Resources, at <u>harrisg@michigan.gov</u> or at 517-241-0002, FAX 517-373-8063.

or

Please return this completed and signed questionnaire to:

GERALD T HARRIS CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES PO BOX 30028 LANSING MI 48909 GERALD T HARRIS CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STEVENS T MASON BUILDING 530 WEST ALLEGAN LANSING MI 48909

(corner of Allegan and Pine Streets)

<<<<< Please submit your resume with this application >>>>>



Michigan Department of Natural Resources

CONTACTS AND ADDITIONAL ACCESSIBILITY RESOURCES

The following individuals have graciously volunteered to serve as additional contacts for information and assistance in the efforts of this Department to improve accessibility to members of the public to guest services, facilities, technology resources, and programs.

Cindy Burkhour Access Recreation Group Consultant in making programs accessible

Steve Sharp National Wild Turkey Federation Outdoor Accessibility Planner



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Great Lakes Great Times Great Outdoors

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WHAT WE ARE CURRENTLY DOING -

The following information and links are examples of some of the information regarding accessibility to programs, facilities, and services that are currently available for the public on the Michigan DNR website.

RECREATION LINKS					
	<i>Get Outdoors</i> p://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-117811,00.html				
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Pocket Park - Escanaba http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10369-117631--,00.html DNR Recreation & Camping Guide http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-88991--,00.html **Information Sources:** Publications Annual Recreation and Camping Guide: rest C s & Path Four Seasons of Fun http://www.michigan.gov/documents/FourSeasonsofFun_121769_7.pdf Northern Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests 121771 7.pdf Upper Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf Accessible Features and Camping Hints http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Acessibility_Hints_121775_7.pdf Upper Peninsula State Parks http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UP_StateParks_121772_7.pdf Lower Peninsula State Parks http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LP_StateParks_121773_7.pdf Learning Opportunities and Special Events http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LearningOpportunities_121777_7.pdf Michigan DNR State Land Rules http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State_Land_Rules_62818_7.pdf **Recreation Education Opportunities** http://www.michigandnr.com/hunting/recnsrch.asp

Wildlife Links

Michigan Watchable Wildlife Viewing <u>http://www.michigandnr.com/publications/pdfs/wildlife/viewingguide/</u>

Wildlife Habitat <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10370_12148---,00.html</u>

Research Projects <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10370_12143---,00.html</u>

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Dispersed State Forest Recreation



Dispersed recreation is <u>not dependent</u> on developed facilities.

Activities include:

Camping Hunting Fishing Nature observation Mushroom and berry picking Photography





Michigan has the largest public land base for dispersed recreation east of the Mississippi

www.michigan.gov/dnr

WHAT WE COULD DO IN THE FUTURE -

Listed below are suggestions and ideas that address what the Michigan DNR may be able to do in the future to better provide for guest services, facilities, technology resources, and programs.

GUEST SERVICES

- Compile, formulate, and update a list of accessible user groups that could be utilized to complete usability surveys on existing Department-wide elements (facilities, internet applications, publications, etc.)
- Utilize accessible user groups' survey information to develop a priority list for providing services statewide
- Create a monthly or quarterly publication to user groups, local municipalities, other state agencies, and the general public, that highlights or focuses on accessible facilities, programs, and events
- Provide all press releases in a variety of fully-accessible formats, as well as provide accessible-specific press releases to friends and advocacy groups
- Establish and refine new pilot programs to provide accessible-specific services, before providing statewide
- Develop and provide alternate forms of brochures and handouts that are offered at visitor centers, parks, educational centers, and field offices
- Provide appropriate training to staff who may have direct contact with the public to enhance interaction and communication with people who may have a variety of disabilities
- Update and enhance self-guided online applications
- Provide information and documents in a variety of languages (brail, sign language, as well as different international languages)
- Provide centralized location on both internal and external websites to guide both staff and the public to the tools and resources that are available
- Refine and develop the way in which the distribution of licenses and permits for people with disabilities are processed and administered through agents

FACILITIES

- Use a consistent approach to upgrade all facilities to meet current standards, not just settling for the minimal percentage
- Explore and utilize new materials to provide access (example: pour-in-place safety surfacing for playgrounds)
- Host yearly or seasonal events at fully accessible facilities to market and promote their use
- Complete a full and complete assessment of all facilities by trained and qualified inspectors to record not only what is currently available, but also to compile a list of what elements may need to be improved upon to fully comply
- Properly identify and provide signage for existing facilities and site elements that are being offered
- Expand scope requirements for construction and remodeling projects to implement accessibility throughout
- Require ADA competence and knowledge by all consultants, contractors, and inspectors involved with facilities
- Where certain natural areas may be severely altered to provide accessibility, create a like-experience through alternate media (video or alternate media provided)
- Develop design guides or accessible friendly facility layouts that incorporate current standards to guide field staff and consultants during new construction and remodeling projects

TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

- Develop a Department-wide website that specifically addresses ADA and provides all current information, as well as web links to other viable sources
- Recognize and provide "software" that is compatible across the Department (example: Adobe for visual and audio interpretation) which will allow for more accurate tracking and updating accessible resources
- Maximize specific "hardware" tools, such as PDAs, for interpretation at visitor centers and facilities for creating "a like or similar experience"
- Provide a clearinghouse of "best practices" for the DNR and other state agencies
- Revamp, revise, and develop existing systems and services (e.g., reservation system) to better provide information and allow for use by people with disabilities
- Provide closed-captioned technology if video or monitors are being used
- Develop digital manuals derived from ADAAG which are more specific to DNR elements
- Work with the U.S. Access Board, U.S. Dept. of Justice, and other recognized ADA entities to develop emerging technologies to offer better experiences throughout the DNR

PROGRAMS

- Strive to develop partnerships with other agencies and groups to provide the most universally accessible programs
- Conduct both internal and external surveys to not only gain insight as to what programs the DNR already provides, but also what new or enhanced programs could be developed
- Internal training for guidance to the appropriate staff that will be providing and communicating the programs to the public
- Develop criteria to be responsive to accessibility issues that arise
- Inventory and analyze all existing programs and develop a strategy to bring all into compliance
- Establish relationships with companies that develop accessible products
- Continue to explore grants and endowments to fund accessible upgrades and product purchases
- Provide continuous training, provided by both internal and external sources, to further educate employees on accessibility and provide guidance for those who communicate and deal directly with the public
- Have an earmarked or guaranteed funding source that would offer a yearly designation for ADA projects
- Score grants and proposals that go above and beyond basic ADA requirements at a higher level
- Expand email updates and informational materials distributed from the DNR ADA Coordinator to more individuals throughout the Department
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- Establish partnerships with other agencies that provide services for accessibility
- Invite DNR employees that may have an interest in disability concerns to be part of the advisory groups
- Ensure that all forms, publications, permits, and licenses are fully accessible and provided in alternate options
- Stay consistent in the overall effort of updating and providing the best accessible services, programs, and facilities

ACCESSIBLE AMENITIES



Contracts:

If there were a need to purchase a piece of equipment, etc. that needs to be handicap accessible, we would make sure that it meets appropriate specifications and we would normally competitively bid the item, in order to obtain the best possible price.

Fish Accessible Programs

FERC staff work with accessibility issues. They request recreation sites to be accessible when they are developed by the licensee.

Great Lakes Fishery Trust – Sharon Hanshue works with the Great Lakes Fishery Trust, one of the Trust's purposes is to build shore-based public access for fishing along the Great Lakes. All our sites our accessible and are listed on the GLFT web site. They also have a recently completed pocket guide to accessible shore fishing sites.

www.glft.org http://www.glft.org/angleracc.htm



Forms of Accommodation

- Legislative mandates
- Regulatory provisions
- Special opportunities
- Universally accessible facilities
- Brochures, DNR Website



Legislative mandates

- Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Implementing Regulations
- Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Implementing Regulations
- Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act Michigan PA 220 of 1976
- Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act of 1994 (NREPA)



Regulatory Provisions

- · Hunt from a standing vehicle permit
- Permit to hunt with a modified bow
- Permit to hunt with a crossbow
- Off road vehicle Handicapper Permit
- Senior citizen Hunting/Fishing License for Veterans with 100% disability
- Use of laser sights by visually impaired
- Exemptions for hunting blind placement

Special Opportunities

- Disabled Firearm Deer Hunt

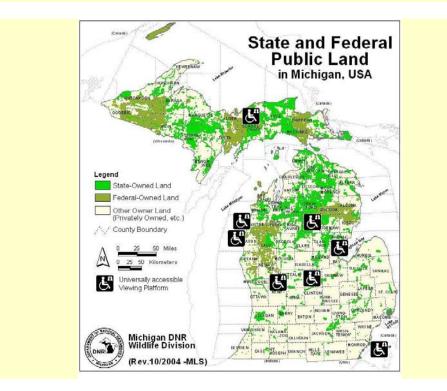
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- Nature Centers
- Hunter Education

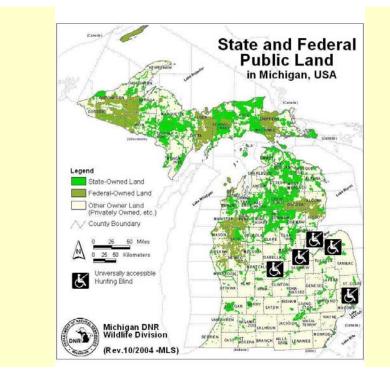


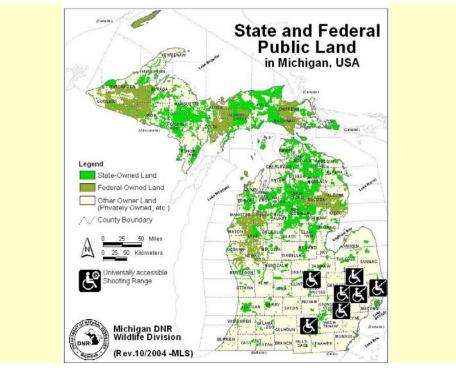
Accessible Facilities

- Parking lots
- Routes
- Blinds
- · Viewing platforms
- Shooting ranges
- Fishing platforms
- Boat Access Sites









Advocacy Groups

- The Alliance for Disabled Sportsmen Rights
- Hunt of a Lifetime
- Dream Catchers USA
- Wheelin' Sportsmen of the National Wild Turkey Federation
- Physically Challenged Bowhunters of America, Inc.
- Disabled Sportsmen of America

Michigan DNR Library

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Fisheries Links
Fishing in the Parks http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364-95047,00.html
Angling News and Information http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_10888,00.html
Fish Ladders and Weirs http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_1909200.html
Fish Disease http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_10950,00.html
State Fish Hatcheries http://www.michigan.gov/dpr/0.1607.7-153-10364_28277 00.html

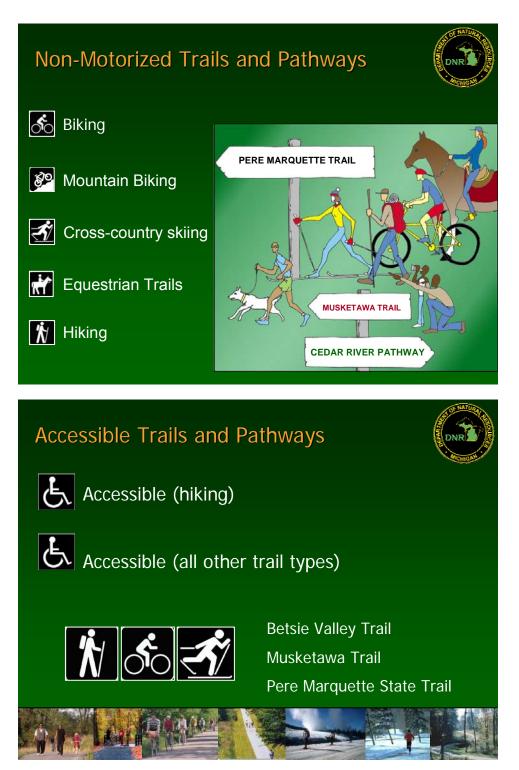
Master Angler and State Records http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_10948,00.html
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Trails and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_16839,00.html
Visitor Centers, Museums and Historic Sites http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10887,00.html

Forestry Outreach Weblinks

The website link for the Urban and Community Forestry Programs, including Arbor Day, Tree City USA, Emerald Ash Borer, and the Visiting Urban Forester Program is: http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301_30505_30733---,00.html

The website link for the Forest Stewardship Programs, including the Forest Land Enhancement Program (FLEP), Forest Legacy Program (FLP), and the Commercial Forest Program is: <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301_30505_34240---,00.html</u>

BIKING



<u>Networking Michigan With Trailways Brochure</u> Link: <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-79028--,00.html</u>

Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests 121771 7.pdf

Upper Penisula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways Map and Key

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf

Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

DNR Recreation & Camping Guide http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-88991--,00.html

- <u>Four Seasons of Fun</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/FourSeasonsofFun 121769 7.pdf</u>
- <u>Northern Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests_121771_7.pdf</u>
- Upper Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways
 http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf
- <u>Accessible Features and Camping Hints</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Acessibility_Hints_121775_7.pdf</u>
- Upper Peninsula State Parks
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UP_StateParks_121772_7.pdf</u>
- Lower Peninsula State Parks
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LP_StateParks_121773_7.pdf</u>
- Learning Opportunities and Special Events
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BOATING

Wildlife

Northeast Wildlife Management Unit

There is a handicap accessible observation platform at Houghton Lake Flats. It is about 1.5 miles north of the M-55 traffic light on Old 27. A cooperative project with the Michigan Conservation Foundation (if I'm not getting it mixed up) is underway to develop a handicap accessible fishing pier/dock near the same location.

Saginaw Bay Wildlife Management Unit

Fish Point Wildlife Area has an accessible observation tower and an accessible duck hunting blind, and boat dock.

Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

Water Access

Boating:

Milakokia State Forest Campground

Fishing:

- Little Presque Isle Marquette County
- Leverenth Lake Oscoda County
- Andrus Lake Chippewa County



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Recreation Education Opportunities

http://www.michigandnr.com/hunting/recnsrch.asp

Forests, Land and Waters

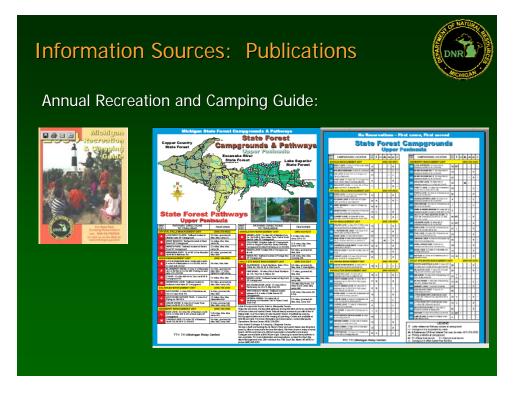
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Fisheries Links

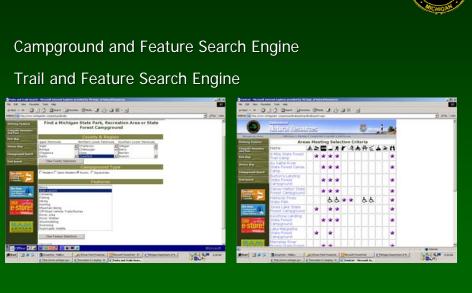
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CAMPING



Information Sources: DNR Web Site



Designated Campgrounds







Rustic Campground



Equestrian Campground



Group Camps



Rustic Cabins



Accessible



Designated Campgrounds



Accessible Semi-Modern Campgrounds
1 Campground



Accessible Rustic Campgrounds
17 Campgrounds



Accessible Rustic Cabins



Dispersed State Forest Recreation



Dispersed recreation is <u>not dependent</u> on developed facilities.

Activities include:

Camping Hunting Fishing Nature observation Mushroom and berry picking Photography





Michigan has the largest public land base for dispersed recreation east of the Mississippi

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Park Management Planning http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_31399,00.html
Improvements http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301_31154_32314,00.html
Snowmobiling http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_14824,00.html
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Visitor Centers, Museums and Historic Sites

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Forests, Land and Waters

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Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

Designated Campgrounds

Semi-Modern Campgrounds:

- Houghton Lake State Forest Campground Rustic Campgrounds:
 - Haakwood State Forest Campground
 - Guernsey Lake State Forest Campground
 - Reedsburg Dam State Forest Campground
 - Lake Margrethe
 - Portage Bay State Forest Campground
 - Blind Sucker #2 State Forest Campground
 - Beaufort Lake State Forest Campground
 - Pretty Lake State Forest Campground
 - Baxter Bridge State Forest Campground
 - Black Creek State Forest Campground
 - Gene's Pond State Forest Campground
 - Jones Lake State Forest Campground
 - Milakokia State Forest Campground
 - North Gemini Lake State Forest Campground
 - Squaw Lake State Forest Campground
 - Weber Lake State Forest Campground
 - Carrieville State Forest Campground

Rustic Cabins:

• Little Presque Isle Rustic Cabins

Little Presque Isle Rustic Cabins link:

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-66754--,00.html

Lime Island Cottages and Tent Camping link:

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-66705--,00.html Networking Michigan With Trailways Brochure Link: http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-79028--,00.html

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<u>Wildlife</u>

Southwest Wildlife Management Unit

The two Allegan campgrounds have handicap accessible picnic tables, the required number of handicapped accessible vault toilets are also present, and over 90 percent of the camping sites are handicapped accessible based on % slope and hardness of gravel base. The launch sites at Ely and Pine Point have handicapped accessible vault toilets but neither have any type of pier.

Wildlife Links

Michigan Watchable Wildlife Viewing http://www.michigandnr.com/publications/pdfs/wildlife/viewingquide/

Wildlife Habitat

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Research Projects

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10370_12143---,00.html

Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf See PR4134, Camp Registration Card

DNR MICHIGAN

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOREST, MINERAL AND FIRE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

CAMP REGISTRATION CARD

Required under authority of the Natural Resource and Environmental Protection Act, Sect. 74201 et seq. P.A. 451 of 1994, as amended, MCL 324.74201-07.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Print all requested information in pencil in plain and legible English. Include the name and complete address of each member of the camping party.
 Prominently post this card at the campsite before making camp and leave posted upon departure when camping on State-owned land other than State Parks, Recreation Areas, State Porest Campgrounds or State Game Area Campgrounds. Do not post on a motor home, camper or trailer; post elsewhere on camping site.
 Every member of the party shall be responsible for disposal of all rubbish and litter of any nature brought into or built upon the premises by the camping party.
 VIOLATION OF THE ABOVE REGULATIONS IS RUNISHABLE BX A FINE OF UP TO \$100.00 AND COSTS AND/OR 90 DAYS IN JAIL.
 INFORMATION: Camp means the erection of a tent or tent-type camper or the parking and occupancy of a travel or house trailer or truck camper. It is unlawful to camp in one location to more than 15 consecutive nights in a calendar year. To be considered a new camp, the location shall not be less than 1/2 mile from the previous camp. It is also unlawful to camp on State-owned lands within one mile of a State Forest Campground.

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Non-Motorized Trails and Pathways

Image: Stress country skiing





Hartwick Pines State Park Public Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Old Growth Forest Foot Trail Tour	An interpreter leads a group of visitors along the Old growth Trail describing the flora and fauna of NLP as well as touching on historical matters, ecology, diversity, ecosystems and other subjects	The Old growth Forest Foot Trail is paved and the width specified by the ADA
Snowshoe Hikes	The park interpreter and site historian guide snowshoe laden-visitors through portions of the Old Growth forest while discussing outdoor recreation/survival and wildlife tracking	Not recommended for physically disabled persons unless they can walk wearing snowshoes
Cross-country skiing by Lantern Light	Visitors ski along a 1.75 mile loop illuminated by lanterns; visitors are also invited to use the warming room for free refreshments and snacks	Not recommended for physically disabled persons unless they can ski
Self-guided or Interpreter Guided tours along the Mertz- grade and AuSable Trails	Visitors are welcomed to tour these trails (with an interpreter if scheduled) and learn more about Michigan's flora and fauna	The these trails are not to ADA specifications

** Programs exclusively offered by Rob Burg (HAL), Site Historian at HPSP and his staff

Michigan Fisheries Visitor Centers Accessible Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
NATURE TRAIL	This trail is a one-mile loop connecting Hatchery entrance with visitor center entrance. Half of this trail is ADA compliant, the other half is a primitive trail with a deep slope.	¹ ∕₂ of this trail is ADA accessible.
WHITE CEDAR SWAMP TRAIL	This trail is graded but not filled with gravel or paved.	Not recommended for wheelchair use.
WINTER PROGRAMS	Programs take place beginning at the visitor center on US 31. Some programs will move outdoors for a nature hike.	Indoor activities are accessible, programs that involve outdoor movement are not recommended for wheelchair use.

Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park Program Accessibility

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY

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Union Mine Interpretive Trail	A one mile trail interpreted with brochure and numbered monuments.	No part of this trail is currently ADA accessible, brochure available in large format upon request.
Visitor Center Nature Trail	A one mile trail with 24 interpretive panels.	No part of this trail is currently ADA accessible.
Nonesuch Interpretive Hike	An interpreter leads a group of visitors on a visit to an old copper mining town site.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. Although it has not been evaluated for ADA accessibility, 70% of the hike is conducted from a gravel road leading into the site permitting wheelchair access.
Summit Peak Hike, Cloud Peak Hike, Black Bear Habitat Hike, Bear Den Hike	An interpreter leads a group of visitors into the park to investigate and interpret specific natural features or wildlife species.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. Tactile elements are included in presentations. These hikes are conducted in the wilderness area of the park and often include hiking "off- trail." Except for the 5 to 10 minute introduction at the beginning of the hike, this activity is not ADA accessible.
Lantern Light Ski	Lanterns light a 1-mile cross country ski loop, campfire located ½ ways along loop.	Trail is groomed and will accommodate a "sit-ski" skiing device, although the trail is not specifically ADA compliant. Warming shelter on trail is not ADA accessible.

Networking Michigan With Trailways Brochure Link:

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Trails and Pathways

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FISHING

Fisheries staff work with accessibility issues. They request recreation sites to be accessible when they are developed by the licensee.

Fish hatchery tours - The hatcheries and interpretive centers are not all fully accessible but they should be by spring or summer 2005. We are not marketing the tours very much right now until they are all fully accessible but we do have a plan in place to market them when the time comes. <u>State Fish Hatcheries</u> and interpretive center info is published on the internet. <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_28277---,00.html</u>

Fishing Guide - Blind and disabled can purchase any of the senior fishing licenses. Mentally disabled persons or residents of a home for the aged may fish without a license. Fishing Guide is published on the internet.

Fishing Guide . http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364-113416--,00.html

Weekly fishing report. TTY and electronic on the web. Accessible for hearing impaired. TTY phone number is published in the fishing guide. Weekly Fishing Report

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364-34956--,00.html

Great Lakes Fishery Trust – Fisheries staff works with the Great Lakes Fishery Trust, one of the Trust's purposes is to build shore-based public access for fishing along the Great Lakes. All our sites are accessible and are listed on the GLFT web site. They also have a recently completed pocket guide to accessible shore fishing sites.

www.glft.org http://www.glft.org/angleracc.htm

Fish ladders and weirs. Accessible for hearing impaired. Info published on the internet. http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364 19092---,00.html

Trout & Salmon Guide is published on the internet. http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364-113417--,00.html

Angling Education

2004: 3414 Youth and 228 Adults

Fishing in the Pocket Park May 4 - Jun 8, 2005, every Wednesday Afternoon

Step Outside Women's Day June 4, 2005, at the Pocket Park

Fishing Day Camp Jun 27 - Aug 5, 2005 At the pocket park

Detroit Area Kids Fishing Derby

All of the above programs are run by Gary Williams, MSU Natural Resources Outreach Program Coordinator (313) 833-3299.

The "Fishing in the Park" program which is offered (by OC interpreters) at 20 PRD facilities:

Page 21 of the 2005 Recreation & Camping Guide.

Fully Accessible (would include a new or modified fishing pier, accessible parking, an access route, and accessible toilet facilities):

- Bay City Recreation Area (pier at Lagoon Area)
- Brighton Recreation Area (new pier at Bishop Lake Day Use)
- Fort Custer Recreation Area
- Hayes State Park (new pier at Round Lake)
- Holland State Park (at Lake Michigan Pier)
- Muskegon State Park (located at the canal / channel area before the Channel Campground registration building)
- Metamora Hadley Recreation Area (new pier at Lake Minnawanna Day Use)
- Pontiac Lake Recreation Area (two new piers at Pontiac Lake)
- Sleepy Hollow State Park (pier at Lake Ovid boat launch and concession area)
- Tawas State Park (pier fully accessible at Harbor area separate from park)
- Sterling State Park (two piers at lagoon areas)
- Yankee Springs Recreation Area (new pier at Deep Lake Day Use)
- Young State Park (pier at Mirror Lake area)

Limited Accessibility (some elements providing access, dependant upon one's ability)

- Holly Recreation Area (older pier designed to previous ADA guidelines, grass approach from parking area)
- Ionia Recreation Area (older pier design with no lowered railings, does provide paved route, parking, and vault toilet)
- Port Crescent State Park (fishing decks on Pinnebog River at Day Use Area, parking provided, trail with wood chip surfacing, deck height roughly 15-20' above water level)
- South Higgins (shoreline fishing on Marl Lake, accessible parking and vault toilet, grass approach)

No or Minimal Accessible Elements:

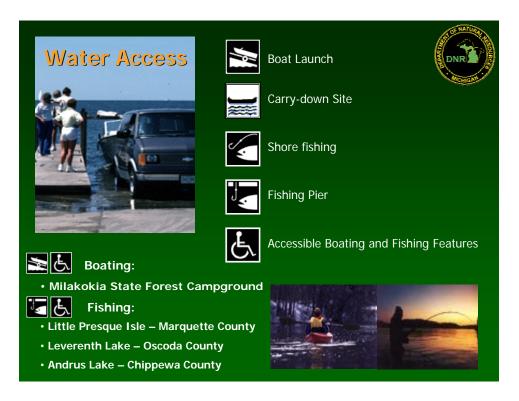
- Rifle River Recreation Area (no paved of surfaced routes, frost heave damage has caused slope issues, new toilet / shower building is fully accessible)
- Proud Lake Recreation Area (approachable shoreline access of grass, no accessible amenities)
- Fort Wilkins State Park (older gravel boat access site and skid pier utilized on Lake Fanny Hooe, grades and transition plate are present however width of skid pier will not allow for easy maneuvering and nearby vault toilets are older without ADA features)

Hopefully this information will provide you and the instructors some more details as to the level of accessibility that is being offered at these locations, there have been some really nice additions over the past couple of years that unfortunately haven't been updated in the information provided by the Camping & Recreation Guide.

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
	visitors through 3 hatchery buildings and down the paved raceway system to the waste water treatment area.	The entire hatchery outdoor complex is paved with little to no gradient. All internal hatchery buildings are ADA accessible including bathroom facilities and fixtures.

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Wildlife

Northeast Wildlife Management Unit

There is a handicap accessible observation platform at Houghton Lake Flats. It is about 1.5 miles north of the M-55 traffic light on Old 27. A cooperative project with the Michigan Conservation Foundation (if I'm not getting it mixed up) is underway to develop a handicap accessible fishing pier/dock near the same location.

Saginaw Bay Wildlife Management Unit

Fish Point Wildlife Area has an accessible observation tower and an accessible duck hunting blind, and boat dock.

Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

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Pocket Park - Escanaba

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Park Management Planning

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Trails and Pathways

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Visitor Centers, Museums and Historic Sites http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10887---,00.html

FORESTRY



Forest Stewardship:

What is Forest Stewardship in Michigan?

To promote the wise use and stewardship of privately owned forestlands. Any private nonindustrial forest landowner with a minimum of 12 acres of forestland who wants to manage the land for its many resources is eligible. They can contact their local DNR Forester to be referred to a plan writer to get more information. The Forest Stewardship Program funds outreach and education projects across the state. Funds are available on a competitive basis for forestry projects on a 50-50 cost share basis. The applicant's matching funds cannot come from federal funds.

Forest Land Enhancement Program (FLEP)

FLEP is a companion to the Forest Stewardship Program. FLEP is intended to promote sustainable forest management on non-industrial private forest lands by offering educational, technical and financial assistance to private forest landowners. Michigan's FLEP offers cost-share to non-industrial, private forest landowners through various cost-share practices. FLEP will reimburse up to 65% of the cost of designated management activities within established limits. FLEP will also reimburse up to 50% of the cost of developing a forest management plan.

Forest Legacy Program (FLP)

Michigan's Forest Legacy Program (FLP) is in partnership with the USDA Forest Service. FLP is an entirely voluntary program. Its goal is to protect privately owned and environmentally significant forest lands from being converted to non-forest uses. It seeks to accomplish this by acquisition of conservation easements, legally binding agreements transferring a negotiated set of property rights from one party to another, without removing the property from private ownership. Michigan's FLP encourages partnerships with local governments and land trusts, recognizing the important contributions landowners, communities and private organizations make to conservation efforts.

Commercial Forest Program

The Commercial Forest program provides a property tax reduction to private landowners as an incentive to retain and manage forestland for long-term timber production. Landowners participating in this program pay a reduced property tax of \$1.10 per acre listed in the program. Additionally, the State of Michigan pays \$1.20 per acre annually to each county where land is listed in the program.

Resource Protection:

Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Program

In cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service, FMFM provides federal funds for units of government with a population of 10,000 or less and having publicly owned forested land within the fire department's protection area. This is a 50/50 matching grant program to allow rural and local fire departments to purchase necessary firefighting equipment that they may not have been able to purchase otherwise.

Federal Excess Property Program

This is a companion program to the VFA program in which FMFM has an agreement with the U.S. Forest Service to obtain federal excess vehicles to be used in the state's effort to combat wildfires. FMFM is loaned vehicles that the U.S. Forest Service has accessed, assigns them to requesting rural fire departments for use in their local wildland fire fighting efforts. The only expense to the fire departments is vehicle liability insurance and outfitting the vehicles with the appropriate equipment.

Urban and Community Forestry:

State Arbor Day Celebration

Annually, there is an Arbor Day Celebration at Potter Park Zoo, Lansing, near the end of April. DNR is a strong partner in this event, along with several other organizations. FMFM's Urban and Community Forester is the DNR's point of contact for this annual program. The celebration includes hands-on natural resource activity stations that focus on trees and their ecosystems. Arbor Day is geared towards children and it presents a great way to teach them about the importance of conservation and stewardship of our natural resources. FMFM provides a number of volunteers to assist at the stations and provide leadership and instruction for the visitors.

Arbor Quest (attached Power point presentation)

Provide some financial assistance to this non-profit group for their adaptive tree climbing program which targets disabled individuals.

Tree City USA

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Urban and Community Forestry program cosponsors the Tree City USA (TC USA) program with the <u>National Arbor Day Foundation</u>. TC USA and TC USA Growth Awards are nationwide programs that recognize communities for their urban forestry efforts. TC USA provides the basis for urban forestry management.

Emerald Ash Borer (or other pest related issues)

In the case of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), the DNR, specifically FMFM, is working with the Michigan Dept. of Agriculture, the U.S. Forest Service, and Michigan State University to provide information to the public regarding the status of quarantines, tree removals and general information on the destructive nature of this pest. This information is disseminated through various news media and internet web sites. In some cases financial assistance is provided, by these agencies, to individuals for the removal of their trees and replanting efforts.

Visiting Urban Forester Program

Michigan's "Visiting Urban Forester" program provides communities with an opportunity to have an urban forest consultant visit and assess their urban forest resources. The Michigan DNR provides funding to the state International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) chapter, the Michigan Forestry and Park Association (MFPA), which then connects the consultants with a community. The consultants tour the community, review current resource conditions, management plans, ordinances, and inventories, and provide written and verbal suggestions on how to continue or initiate new programs based on needs determined.

Coalition Working for Cleaner Forests Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153--66313--,00.html

www.cleanforests.org.

ADOPT A FOREST

Coalition Working for Cleaner Forests Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153--66313--,00.html www.cleanforests.org.

Forests, Land and Waters

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301---,00.html

Forestry Outreach Weblinks

The website link for the Urban and Community Forestry Programs, including Arbor Day, Tree City USA, Emerald Ash Borer, and the Visiting Urban Forester Program is: http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301 30505 30733---,00.html

The website link for the Forest Stewardship Programs, including the Forest Land Enhancement Program (FLEP), Forest Legacy Program (FLP), and the Commercial Forest Program is: <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301_30505_34240---,00.html</u>

Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

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- Upper Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways
 http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf
- <u>Accessible Features and Camping Hints</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Acessibility_Hints_121775_7.pdf</u>
- <u>Upper Peninsula State Parks</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UP_StateParks_121772_7.pdf</u>

•	Lower Peninsula State Parks			
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Learning Opportunities and Special Events
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LearningOpportunities 121777 7.pdf</u>

Parks and Recreation Links

GO GET OUTDOORS http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-117811,00.html
Harvest Festivals http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-73392,00.html
Camp Ground Hosts http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-27524,00.html
Biking http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_16816,00.html
Boating http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10884,00.html
Cabins, Teepees, and mini cabins http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_24196,00.html
Camping http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10883,00.html
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OBTAINING GRANTS

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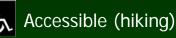
- 1) The DNR Grants advertisements for public meetings state that we will provide accessibility services if requested.
- 2) We advertise in our publications that alternate formats are available upon request.
- 3) We require all facilities that are grant assisted to be built to meet ADA requirements.

2005 Grants Catalog (pdf file) FOF

http://www.midnr.com/Publications/pdfs/InsideDNR/forms/grants/IC1950.pdf

HIKING







Accessible (all other trail types)



Betsie Valley Trail Musketawa Trail Pere Marquette State Trail



Hartwick Pines State Park Public Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Old Growth Forest Foot Trail Tour	An interpreter leads a group of visitors along the Old growth Trail describing the flora and fauna of NLP as well as touching on historical matters, ecology, diversity, ecosystems and other subjects	The Old growth Forest Foot Trail is paved and the width specified by the ADA
Snowshoe Hikes	The park interpreter and site historian guide snowshoe laden-visitors through portions of the Old Growth forest while discussing outdoor recreation/survival and wildlife tracking	Not recommended for physically disabled persons unless they can walk wearing snowshoes
Cross-country skiing by Lantern Light	Visitors ski along a 1.75 mile loop illuminated by lanterns; visitors are also invited to use the warming room for free refreshments and snacks	Not recommended for physically disabled persons unless they can ski
Self-guided or Interpreter Guided tours along the Mertz- grade and AuSable Trails	Visitors are welcomed to tour these trails (with an interpreter if scheduled) and learn more about Michigan's flora and fauna	The these trails are not to ADA specifications

** Programs exclusively offered by Rob Burg (HAL), Site Historian at HPSP and his staff

Michigan Fisheries Visitor Centers Accessible Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
NATURE TRAIL	This trail is a one-mile loop connecting Hatchery entrance with visitor center entrance. Half of this trail is ADA compliant, the other half is a primitive trail with a deep slope.	¹ ∕₂ of this trail is ADA accessible.
WHITE CEDAR SWAMP TRAIL	This trail is graded but not filled with gravel or paved.	Not recommended for wheelchair use.
WINTER PROGRAMS	Programs take place beginning at the visitor center on US 31. Some programs will move outdoors for a nature hike.	Indoor activities are accessible, programs that involve outdoor movement are not recommended for wheelchair use.

Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park Program Accessibility

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Union Mine Interpretive Trail	A one mile trail interpreted with brochure and numbered monuments.	No part of this trail is currently ADA accessible, brochure available in large format upon request.
Visitor Center Nature Trail	A one mile trail with 24 interpretive panels.	No part of this trail is currently ADA accessible.
Nonesuch Interpretive Hike	An interpreter leads a group of visitors on a visit to an old copper mining town site.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. Although it has not been evaluated for ADA accessibility, 70% of the hike is conducted from a gravel road leading into the site permitting wheelchair access.
	An interpreter leads a group of visitors into the park to investigate and interpret specific natural features or wildlife species.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. Tactile elements are included in presentations. These hikes are conducted in the wilderness area of the park and often include hiking "off- trail." Except for the 5 to 10 minute introduction at the beginning of the hike, this activity is not ADA accessible.
Lantern Light Ski	Lanterns light a 1-mile cross country ski loop, campfire located ½ ways along loop.	Trail is groomed and will accommodate a "sit-ski" skiing device, although the trail is not specifically ADA compliant. Warming shelter on trail is not ADA accessible.

Networking Michigan With Trailways Brochure Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-79028--,00.html

Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests 121771 7.pdf

Upper Penisula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways Map and Key http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf

Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

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Forests, Land and Waters

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HUNTING

Hunting Guide -

The Department lists opportunities for hunters with disabilities on the Department webpage. To access this information, a person clicks on the link "Hunting" on the left side of the home page and then on "Hunters with disabilities" on the left side of the page. There are 10 topics under the heading of "Hunters with Disabilities," including 6 wildlife and game area maps.

Hunter education instructors are given hands-on instruction in teaching shooting sports to persons with disabilities, and a book on the subject is provided to all instructors.

Numerous opportunities are offered for sportspersons with disabilities through statute, and through authority delegated to the Natural Resources Commission under PA 451 of 1994, the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act. Notations below indicate statute (MCL) and commission order (WCO) citations as appropriate.

A pamphlet is available to the public titled "Michigan Hunting and Fishing Information for Persons with Disabilities" This pamphlet has information on the following opportunities, along with information on how to obtain the permits:

- permits to hunt from a standing vehicle MCL 324.40114(1)
- permits to hunt with a modified bow MCL 324.40114(2)
- permits to hunt with a crossbow WCO 5.95
- off-road vehicle (ORV) affidavits for certain persons with disabilities LED Policy
- fishing license exemptions for persons with mental disabilities MCL 324.43515
- senior citizen fishing licenses for legally blind residents MCL 324.43537(1)
- senior citizen license eligibility for veterans with 100% disability MCL 324.43537(2)

Other opportunities afforded to hunters with disabilities, not listed in the pamphlet, include:

- the use of laser sights for blind hunters, while accompanied by a sighted hunter WCO 2.4a
- the use of a crossbow to take game during open seasons by a blind hunter WCO 2.4a
- special exemptions on blind placement for hunters with disabilities
- a 2-day firearm deer season on private lands for hunt from standing vehicle permittees.



Forms of Accommodation

- Legislative mandates
- Regulatory provisions
- Special opportunities
- Universally accessible facilities
- Brochures, DNR Website



Legislative mandates

- Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Implementing Regulations
- Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Implementing Regulations
- Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act Michigan PA 220 of 1976
- Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act of 1994 (NREPA)



Regulatory Provisions

- · Hunt from a standing vehicle permit
- Permit to hunt with a modified bow
- Permit to hunt with a crossbow
- Off road vehicle Handicapper Permit
- Senior citizen Hunting/Fishing License for Veterans with 100% disability
- Use of laser sights by visually impaired
- Exemptions for hunting blind placement

Customer Systems:

- 1) We issue the crossbow permit for disabled hunters who are at least 80% permanently disabled.
- 2) There is also a discount for residents who have been determined by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs to be permanently and totally disabled or residents who are legally blind.

We let people know about these in the hunting and trapping guides and also on the internet.

3) One of the requirements for becoming a license agent (to sell hunting and fishing licenses) is that their store must be handicap accessible.

We tell them this when they contact us for an application, or if we receive an application where the handicap accessible question is checked "no", we would notify the agent that their application was denied because this is a requirement.

(If an existing agent's store is not handicap accessible, the agent must be willing to go out to the customer in order to sell the necessary license(s).)

Special Opportunities

- Disabled Firearm Deer Hunt

 private lands
- Non-Ambulatory Firearm Deer Hunt

 Shiawassee NWR
- Private Hunting Preserves
- Nature Centers
- Hunter Education



Accessible Facilities

- Parking lots
- Routes
- Blinds
- Viewing platforms
- Shooting ranges
- Fishing platforms
- Boat Access Sites



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Wildlife

South Central Wildlife Management Unit

Handicap Accessible Deer Hunting Trail and Blind - Maple River State Game Area (SGA) - T9N R3W, Sec.33, Clinton County

Handicap Accessible Waterfowl Hunting/Viewing Blind - Maple River SGA - T9N R2W, Sec.28, Clinton County

Southwest Wildlife Management Unit

We have a number of handicap accessible parking lots on all game areas. All of our headquarters buildings are handicap accessible.

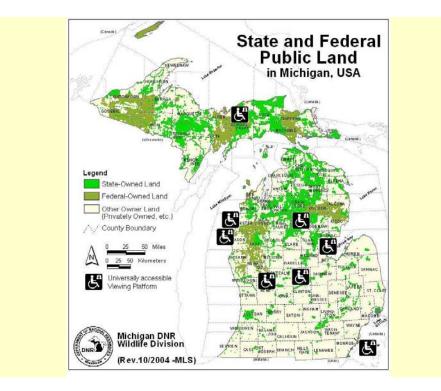
The Allegan Farm Unit is heavily used by handicapped hunters (wheelchairs, artificial limbs, health mobility restrictions) due to the closeness of the parking facilities and the recent upgrade of access trails to the hunting cover corn strips. However, none of these areas are specially noted as handicapped preference.

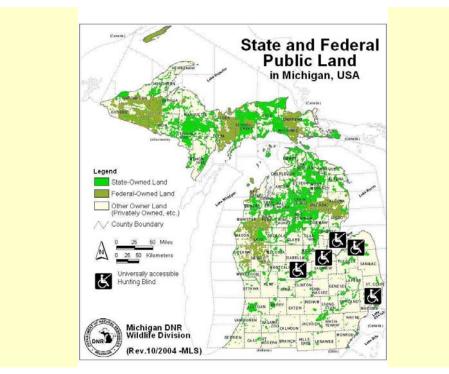
Saginaw Bay Wildlife Management Unit

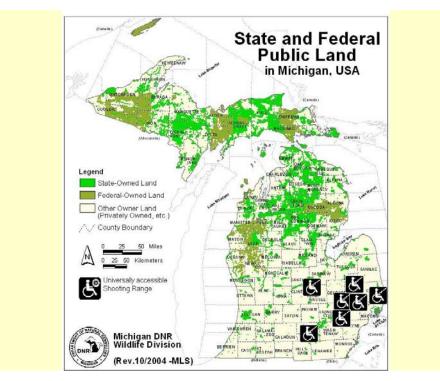
Fish Point Wildlife Area has an accessible observation tower and an accessible duck hunting blind, and boat dock.

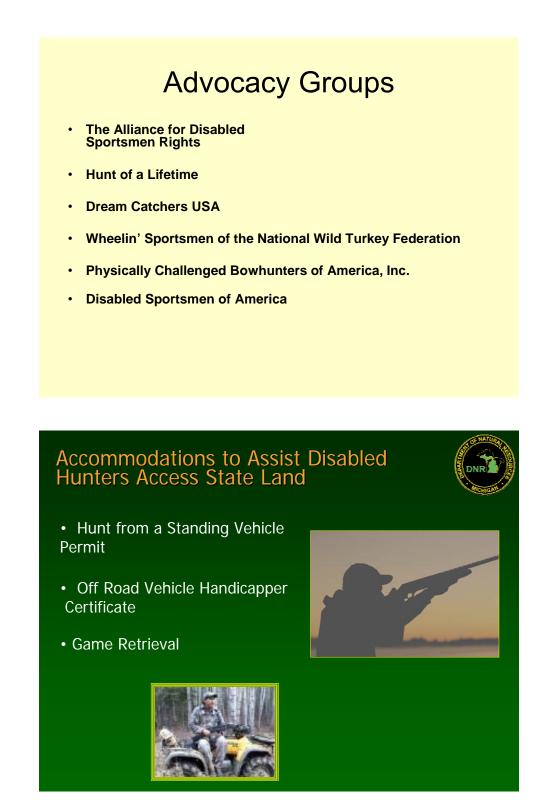
Southeast Wildlife Management Unit

Harsens Island Wildlife Area an accessible hunting blind in the managed waterfowl hunting unit. The site is near the headquarters building and within the "Hunting by Permit Area".









Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

Regulations of lands administered by the DNR containing rules relevant to state lands other than State Parks and Recreation Areas; for details on State Parks and Recreation areas review the complete regulations

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Dispersed State Forest Recreation



Dispersed recreation is <u>not dependent</u> on developed facilities.

Activities include:

Camping Hunting Fishing Nature observation Mushroom and berry picking Photography





Michigan has the largest public land base for dispersed recreation east of the Mississippi

Hunter Safety Education Classes

http://www.michigandnr.com/hunting/recnsrch.asp Search for Hunter, Marine, ORV, Snowmobile Classes in your Area **DNR Recreation & Camping Guide** http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-88991--,00.html

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The Michigan Recreation and Camping Guide compiles all the opportunities for outdoor recreation in Michigan's state forests and state parks. You can pick up your FREE copy at any state park, recreation area, welcome center or DNR operation service center. Call 517-373-9900 and request that a free copy be mailed to you and get busy planning your next outdoor adventure.

Pocket Park - Escanaba

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10369-117631--,00.html

The DNR Pocket Park, a one-acre site that features a pond, archery and pellet gun ranges, a fire tower, a waterfall and about one dozen specialty gardens featuring native plants, caters especially to youngsters who are seeking an outdoor adventure in a natural resources setting.

The Pocket Park's pond is now stocked with bluegills for catch and release fishing, and both the archery and pellet gun ranges are also available for use by supervised groups. In addition, the Pocket Park is open by appointment to host family gatherings, picnics, youth organizations, school groups, sports associations, scouting campouts, public events and even weddings. Those interested in booking an event at the Pocket Park are asked to call 906-789-0714 to reserve a date.

In 2004, the U.P. Pocket Park hosted over 50 groups and special events during the season, in addition to the U.P. State Fair, which drew almost 100,000 visitors. This year's U.P. State Fair will take place August 15-21.

<u>Hunting</u>

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10363---,00.html

2005-2006 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide

Important dates, updates, reminders, regulations, and more of the information you need to know before hunting and trapping in Michigan, and many other hunting guides and resources.

Recreation Education Oportunities

<u>http://www.michigandnr.com/hunting/recnsrch.asp</u> Search for Hunter, Marine, ORV, Snowmobile Classes in your Area

Forests, Lad and Waters

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301---,00.html

<u>Forest Management</u> Includes information on: Biodiversity, Business and Industry, Fire Management, Forest Certification, Forest Health, Private Forest Lands, State Forest Open Houses and Compartment Reviews, State Lands, Urban and Community Forestry, and Urban and Community Forestry Council.

<u>Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Offices</u> Is a listing of Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Offices including Operation Service Centers.

Parks and Recreation Links

GO GET OUTDOORS

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Mark your calendar now for what could be one of the largest outdoor recreation events in North America. **Project GO-Get Outdoors** encourages people all across the state to engage in an outdoor recreational event at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 23. GO-Get Outdoors celebrates outdoor recreation and the role it plays improving the quality of life in Michigan. Whether biking, hiking, camping, swimming, boating, fishing, hunting or simply exploring nature, park and recreation facilities provide opportunities for everyone of all ages and all backgrounds to enjoy our state's diverse natural resources. Participants can improve their health and show their support for Michigan's recreation opportunities

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Harvest Festivals

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-73392--,00.html

It's not too early to start planning to join the fun at a Michigan State Park Fall Festival. Specific events and activities will vary by park, but costumes, decorations and yummy treats are always planned. Check to see when your favorite park will be hosting a Harvest Festival and make your reservation today! <u>Reservations</u> <u>can be made on-line</u> or by calling 1-800-44PARKS



Camp Ground Hosts

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-27524--,00.html



Do you enjoy helping people? Have talents and interests you'd like to share? Are you concerned about our state's natural resources? If so, then Michigan public campgrounds need your enthusiasm and skills. We invite you to participate in our Volunteer Campground Host Program. Campground Host opportunities are available at state parks and at state forest campgrounds that offer family and group camping facilities.

<u>Biking</u>

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_16816---,00.html

<u>Biking in Michigan State Parks and Forests</u> There is no better bicycling country than Michigan's scenic and rolling two peninsulas located in the heart of the Great Lakes Basin. <u>Mountain Biking</u> The DNR is committed to promoting responsible mountain biking. Our goal is to find the appropriate balance between access and natural resource protection. This link also contains safety tips.

Boating

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365 10884---,00.html

Access site information, boat rentals in state parks, boating laws and responsibilities, boater safety course requirement and other information.

Cabins, Teepees, and mini cabins

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365 24196---,00.html Locations, rental and other information

Camping

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365 10883---,00.html

Recreation and Camping Guide, Camping hints, Rules and Regulations for using state forestmanaged lands, Sate Park rules and Regulations, information on all state Campgrounds, Parks or Recreational areas, Forest Campgrounds, Campfire rips, Black Mountain Forest Recreation area, Dispersed Camping, Sate Forest Camping, State Forest Camping Registration Information, and State Park Camp Grounds information

ORV/ATV

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365 15070---,00.html

ORV Opportunities, Silver Lake, ORV/ATV Trail Maps, Map ordering information, ORV Handbook for Laws, ORV Certification of ORV Privileges for Persons with a Disability, Frequently asked questions, grant applications, ORV vehicle plan, ORV Grants, and Argo use of State Land.

Park Management Planning

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365 31399---,00.html

Describes the process, how it works and how to become involved. Also provides for method to obtain accommodation for inclusion in planning process.

Improvements

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301 31154 32314---,00.html

The Clean Michigan Initiative provided \$100 million in voter-approved bonds under Proposal C on the November 3, 1998 ballot. The program provided \$50 million in grants to local units of government for the development and renovation of public recreation facilities and \$50 million for extensive state park renovations. Whenever feasible, the renovations were completed to make the feature fully accessible to everyone and comply with American Disabilities Act, as required for all new construction. The result of this infusion of capital and construction is more of Michigan natural resources are available for everyone to use and enjoy.

Snowmobiling

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_14824---,00.html

Snowmobile Guide, Course, Safety Tips, Registration, Trail Permits, Maps, Trails, Depth Reports, Advisory Committee, Grants, Fatality Summary and other information.

Trails and Pathways

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_16839---,00.html

Trails and Pathways information, search engine for trails, Campgrounds, Interactive map, equestrian opportunities, ORV/ATV, Trail Riders Association, Related Publications and other information.

Visitor Centers, Museums and Historic Sites

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365 10887---,00.html Locations, and other information

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Office of Communication

- Visitor Center slide shows & Display Videos currently being converted to DVD with closed captioning version for each site.
 - o Oden Fish Hatchery Visitor Center Plasma Screen
- Wheelchair height on all Visitor Center exhibits
 Ex:Touch screen games at Eddy Discover Center
- Auditorium magnification hearing systems Available at Visitor Centers
 - Saginaw Bay VC
 - Gillette VC
 - Porcupine Mtns VC
- Signing services available for programs upon request
- Special attractions-
 - Telescope on the Eddy Center deck at Waterloo at wheel chair height.
 - Marsh Cam at Saginaw Bay Visitor enables a view into the marsh from the Visitor Center.
 - Trail wayside displays with digital audio enhancements.
 - Porcupine Mts., Lake of the Clouds
 - Bay City, Chickadee trail

Hard surface Interpretive Trails

- Rock Walkway, Eddy Discovery Center
- Chickadee Trail, Bay City
- Dune walkway, Gillette VC
- Paved pathway system featuring Tree Id' and Cultural History, Ludington
- Elevated boardwalks w/ Wetland Interpretation and river walk fishing access, Ludington

Interpretive signs comply with Federal ADA guidelines.

Wolf Lake Visitor Center - Wolf Lake VC programs that are accessible

- All fishing programs, show pond fishing pier
- Hatchery Tours
- Some portions of the nature trail
- Exhibit room all accessible
- Front desk
- All exhibit monitors in lobby
- Tours use microphones for better sound enhancement.
- Future plans include bathroom renovations and VC front door push button opening

Eddy Discovery Center – Waterloo RA

Accessible programs – Michigan Mammals Prairies – Past and Present Geology Badge Fossils – Clues to the Ancient Past Puppet Shows Leaf Prints

Wheel chair for loan

All exhibits in VC are accessible – Habitat, Geology Quiz, Fossil Replicas, Microscopes, History Exhibit, Stewardship Exhibit, Atrium with Bird Viewing, Bird Quiz and Bee hive observation, Map of Park, Sandhill Crane Exhibit.

Restroom accessible Discovery Center – all rooms Rock Walkway with interpretive signage of major rock groups and rock cycles Shelter and Picnic tables Deck and Viewing Scope

Saginaw VC – Bay City SP

Accessible Visitor Center which houses the Jennison Exhibit Hall renovated in 1996 to meet current accessibility codes. The Jennison Exhibit Hall features multi-dimension exhibits designed for all visitors to enjoy.

Volunteers are available (with advance notice) to assist visitors with their use of the building.

4 miles of accessible ADA wheel chair approved surfaces giving visitors access to all habitat types featured within the park

Three accessible lookout decks and floating docks

Accessible Interpretive Trail with recorded & written messages "Chickadee Nature Trail"

Accessible Fishing dock for summer fishing programs, school fishing programs and group programs

Accessible picnic shelters and picnic pads

Sign Language Interpreter available with advance notice for all interpretive programs.

Volunteers are available (with advance notice) to assist students with various disabilities. Some portions of programs need to be modified to give certain student limitations. In special circumstances a "like experience" can be arranged with advance notice and coordination with the teacher.

All school programs featured in guide are designed to provide the maximum accessibility.

All summer programs offered at the visitor center 5 days a week, twice a day are accessible with listening device available

Some campground programs are offered that are accessible and all programs can have accessibility built in with advance notice. (Amphitheater location is not accessible some investigations are done on non-accessible foot paths).

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Indoor video monitor allows visitors who can not travel to the marsh to view the habitat and watch for wildlife

Indoor wildlife viewing room allows visitors who can not travel to the marsh to view the habitat and watch for wildlife

Written scripts are available for several school slide talks.

Gillette VC – Hoffmaster SP

Building renovated in 2001: elevator, accessible restrooms, etc

Exhibit Room renovation in 2001: open caption exhibit videos, audio enhancement

Programs:

- Bats, Bats, Bats
- Meet the Birds
- Bird Watching Hike accessible if shortened to paved areas or first part of Lake Michigan trail
- Wonders of Waterfowl
- What a Hoot
- Miracle Monarch
- Frog and Toad Hunt
- Small Mammals
- Magnificent Mammals
- Meet Puffer the Magic Hognose
- Turtle Time
- Feeding Frenzy

Evening Speaker Series presentations and all special events

School Programs

- Mammal Outreach Program
- Michigan Sand Dunes
- Pond Study

Wheelchair for loan

Fish hatchery tours.

The hatcheries and interpretive centers are not all fully accessible but they should be by spring or summer 2005. Hatchery and interpretive center info is published on the internet. We are not marketing the tours very much right now until they are all fully accessible but we do have a plan in place with E&I to market them when the time comes.

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
	visitors through 3 hatchery buildings and down the paved raceway system to the waste water treatment area.	The entire hatchery outdoor complex is paved with little to no gradient. All internal hatchery buildings are ADA accessible including bathroom facilities and fixtures.

Hartwick Pines State Park Public Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Trail Tour	An interpreter leads a group of visitors along the Old growth Trail describing the flora and fauna of NLP as well as touching on historical matters, ecology, diversity, ecosystems and other subjects	The Old growth Forest Foot Trail is paved and the width specified by the ADA
Snowshoe Hikes	The park interpreter and site historian guide snowshoe laden-visitors through portions of the Old Growth forest while discussing outdoor recreation/survival and wildlife tracking	Not recommended for physically disabled persons unless they can walk wearing snowshoes
Cross-country skiing by Lantern Light	Visitors ski along a 1.75 mile loop illuminated by lanterns; visitors are also invited to use the warming room for free refreshments and snacks	Not recommended for physically disabled persons unless they can ski
Evening Campground Programs	An interpreter performs a 1 hour program on a variety of natural resource topics at the campground amphitheater	A paved path leads to the amphitheater
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Black Iron Days/Wood Shaving Days	The Friends of Hartwick Pines and other craft-persons set up their wares at the Logging Museum grounds	Trails leading to the Logging Museum and around the blacksmiths, woodworkers, etc. meet ADA specifications
Forest Fest	A day filled activities and information regarding the Forests and the Management thereof as well as other natural resource subjects	The various activities are all accessible via trails or the Visitor Center
**Evening Programs at the Logging Museum grounds	Various programs on historical subjects are presented at the Logging Museum Amphitheater	Trails lead to the area as well as a parking lot that folks can drive down to, making the walk to the amphitheater shorter
Special guest presentations in the Auditorium	A special guests provides a program on specific subject matter (birds of prey, Michigan turtles, Lynx, etc.)	The Michigan Forest Visitor Center and it's amenities (leading up to and away from the VC) are handicap accessible
Bog Walk	An interpreter takes visitors to the bog located within the park; folks must drive to the bog	Once at the bog there is a small footpath that leads to the boardwalk. The boardwalk has wheelchair capabilities, however due to the sensitivity of the bog, the footpath remains narrow (and usually wet/muddy)

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Maple Syrup Days	Activities and information pertaining to the collecting and making of maple syrup	The Michigan Forest Visitor Center and it's amenities are handicap accessible; tour(s) to the maple tapping demonstration(s) may be hindered by snowy weather conditions
Self-guided or Interpreter Guided tours along the Mertz- grade and AuSable Trails	Visitors are welcomed to tour these trails (with an interpreter if scheduled) and learn more about Michigan's flora and fauna	The these trails are not to ADA specifications
Fishing Programs at Bright and Glory Lakes	Fishing programs may be offered at the floating docks of the Bright and Glory Lakes	The trails to the docks are made of crushed gravel and the docks are accessible by wheelchairs
**Living History Programs at the Logging Museum Grounds	Historical Interpreters provide programs on a variety of historical subjects dealing with the logging camps and logging during the White Pine Era (1840-1910)	Trails leading to the Logging Museum and around the activities/presentations meet ADA specifications

** Programs exclusively offered by Rob Burg (HAL), Site Historian at HPSP and his staff

Michigan Fisheries Visitor Centers Accessible Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
HATCHERY TOUR	An interpreter leads guided groups of visitors through 3 hatchery buildings and down the paved raceway system to the waste water treatment area. Fisheries Division mission and other pertinent fisheries messages discussed.	The entire hatchery outdoor complex is paved with little to no gradient. All internal hatchery buildings are ADA accessible including bathroom facilities and fixtures.
SPRING AND FALL SCHOOL PROGRAMS	The park interpreter and SW4 staff implement the following programs which begin at the visitor center on US 31 and move up a ½ mile nature trail. Programs occasional will move through 'primitive' trial to arrive at hatchery: Watersheds & Streams, Fish School, Aliens Invade Michigan!, Tree I.D. Stream Study.	These programs are accessible from the visitor center and through most of site.
INFORMAL SUMMER PROGRAMS	Visitors are offered fun, hands on opportunities for learning through several aquatic-themed activities	Most summer programs/activities take place directly next to the visitor center, completely accessible.
TRAIN CAR	1915-1935 Wolverine Train Car Replica. Self-guided museum.	ADA ramp leads visitors up to train entrance, automatic doors, and accessible museum inside.
STREAM VIEWING CHAMBER	Outdoor stream chamber to view trout and aquatic wildlife	A paved path with ramp leads down to this accessible exhibit.

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
BIG FISH POND	An outdoor area, with artesian pond	Trails leading to the Big Fish Pond
	stocked with fish to enable visitors an	meet with ADA compliance.
	up close view of trout and fish feeding	
	enjoyment.	
NATURE TRAIL	This trail is a one-mile loop connecting	$\frac{1}{2}$ of this trail is ADA accessible.
	Hatchery entrance with visitor center	
	entrance. Half of this trail is ADA	
	compliant, the other half is a primitive	
	trail with a deep slope.	
WHITE CEDAR	This trail is graded but not filled with	Not recommended for wheelchair use.
SWAMP TRAIL	gravel or paved.	
WINTER PROGRAMS	Programs take place beginning at the	Indoor activities are accessible,
	visitor center on US 31. Some	programs that involve outdoor
	programs will move outdoors for a	movement are not recommended for
	nature hike.	wheelchair use.

Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park Program Accessibility

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Discovery Hike	An interpreter leads a group of visitors along the Visitor Center Interpretive Trail stopping along the trail to interpret plants, animals and natural features of the park.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. No portion of this trail is currently ADA accessible. Tactile elements are included in presentation.
Campground programs	An interpreter presents a 45 minute program and/or craft activity at the Union Bay or Presque Isle campgrounds.	Location of these programs is on a flat, mowed surface and accessible. Hearing assist devices available upon request.
Star gazing presentation	An interpreter presents a 45 minute program enabling visitors to locate various stars and constellations.	Program can be held at ADA accessible location upon request. Hearing assist devices available on request. Large format star chart available upon request.
Visitor Center Evening Programs	An interpreter presents a 45 minute to 1 hour program on plants, animals or natural features of the park.	Hearing assist devices available upon request, building is ADA accessible.
Interpretive wayside exhibits	31 graphic panels throughout the park interpret the plants, animals and natural features of the park.	 10 of these waysides are in ADA accessible locations and are wheelchair accessible. We plan to include message repeaters with audio description at 5 of these waysides in 2005. 11 waysides are in locations that I would consider accessible, but have not been evaluated for accessibility, waysides themselves are wheelchair accessible 10 waysides are in locations that are not ADA accessible. All waysides were designed for maximum legibility and contrast.

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PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
	A one mile trail interpreted with	No part of this trail is currently ADA
Trail	brochure and numbered monuments.	accessible, brochure available in large
		format upon request.
Visitor Center Nature	A one mile trail with 24 interpretive	No part of this trail is currently ADA
Trail	panels.	accessible.
Visitor Center	Various exhibits including: dioramas,	Building and exhibit room are ADA
Interpretive Exhibits	16 wildlife mounts, 1 interactive "black	accessible. Interactive kiosk is touch-
	bear" kiosk, numerous graphic panels,	screen operated and includes closed-
	large relief model (map), website	captioned video, some exhibits include
	access.	tactile elements, screen providing
		access to DNR and other natural
		resource web sites is located on ADA
		accessible desk and has large, high
		contrast LCD screen. Relief model is
		accessible to wheelchair users and
		has touch switches operating LED
Visitor Center Multi-	12 minute program conveying the	lights
	13-minute program conveying the natural and human history of the park.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. Auditorium is ADA
Image Program	natural and numan history of the park.	accessible. Program is not closed-
		captioned, but we are currently
		pursuing that capability.
Nonesuch Interpretive	An interpreter leads a group of visitors	Hearing assist devices available upon
Hike	on a visit to an old copper mining town	request. Although it has not been
	site.	evaluated for ADA accessibility, 70%
		of the hike is conducted from a gravel
		road leading into the site permitting
		wheelchair access.
Summit Peak Hike,	An interpreter leads a group of visitors	Hearing assist devices available upon
Cloud Peak Hike, Black	into the park to investigate and interpret	request. Tactile elements are included
Bear Habitat Hike, Bear	specific natural features or wildlife	in presentations. These hikes are
Den Hike	species.	conducted in the wilderness area of
		the park and often include hiking "off-
		trail." Except for the 5 to 10 minute
		introduction at the beginning of the
		hike, this activity is not ADA
		accessible.
Lantern Light Ski	Lanterns light a 1-mile cross country ski	Trail is groomed and will
	loop, campfire located ½ ways along	accommodate a "sit-ski" skiing device,
	loop.	although the trail is not specifically
		ADA compliant. Warming shelter on
Snowshoe Hike	An interpreter leade a group of park	trail is not ADA accessible. Not ADA accessible.
	An interpreter leads a group of park visitors on a 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour snowshoe hike.	
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Tahquamenon Falls State Park Program Accessibility

*PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
5	We conduct a variety of evening slide presentations at the newly designed ADA accessible amphitheater.	Accessible

*PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY	
Astronomy Program	The Astronomy program takes place on a paved closed off parking lot that provides vehicle access. Due to the height of the telescope used, portions of the program aren't wheelchair friendly.	Accessible	
Senior Tour/ School Group Tour	We have a variety of school and group tour programs that we conduct at accessible areas both at Upper and Lower Falls Day Use areas.	Accessible	
Bear Den Hike	This hike follows a non-ADA trail with loose sand, then goes onto a game animal trail for the remaining distance.	Not ADA Accessible	
Bird/Wildlife Hike	We conduct a variety of wildlife hikes that take place throughout the park both on and off a variety of trails. We currently don't conduct nature hikes on an accessible trail, but it is available.	Not ADA Accessible	
River Critter Hike	This hike takes place in the Tahquamenon River	Not ADA Accessible	
Campfire Program	Takes place at an accessible day use area.	Accessible	
Natural Area Hike	This is an on and off (non-ADA) accessible trail through wetlands	Not ADA Accessible	
Aquatic Insect Hike	This program takes place in and around a woodland pond.	Not ADA Accessible	

*Grouped programs of similar nature together such as Slide Programs and Nature Hikes.

Ludington State Park Programs

Visitor Center is ADA accessible. In the summer a park history program is offered that focuses on the Hamlin Dam site. Now that the new construction is done and the walkways are paved the program is ADA accessible. Other than that program the other walking programs for school groups and the public are not fully ADA accessible due to steps and sandy soils. However the special programs put on at the amphitheater are ADA accessible. These programs at the amphitheater are presented by volunteers and paid guest presenters throughout the summer. They include storytelling, music presentations, and speakers. The canoe tour in the summer could be done by someone in a wheel chair if the handicap is to the lower body. There is a problem of getting someone in a wheel chair to the canoes and in the canoe due to the sandy soils and no dock system.

Other than the new paved trail revisions near the Hamlin Dam and the paved pathways between the campgrounds and along the river the rest of the trails are on natural soils and terrain.

The Lighthouse is ADA accessible only a few times in the summer when the Lighthouse association has bus transportation. Then, the lighthouse building is not wheel chair accessible only the grounds around it.

Program dates and times are yet to be scheduled for this upcoming summer.

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- Upper Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests</u> 121770 7.pdf
- <u>Accessible Features and Camping Hints</u>
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Acessibility Hints 121775 7.pdf</u>
- <u>Upper Peninsula State Parks</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UP_StateParks_121772_7.pdf</u>
- Lower Peninsula State Parks http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LP StateParks 121773 7.pdf
- Learning Opportunities and Special Events
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LearningOpportunities_121777_7.pdf</u>

Pocket Park - Escanaba

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10369-117631--,00.html

MDNR Library

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10369_36152---,00.html

Forests, Land and Waters

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301---,00.html

Wildlife Links

Michigan Watchable Wildlife Viewing <u>http://www.michigandnr.com/publications/pdfs/wildlife/viewingguide/</u>

Wildlife Habitat

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10370_12148---,00.html

Research Projects

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10370 12143---,00.html

Fisheries Links

- Fishing in the Parks http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364-95047--,00.html
- Angling News and Information http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364 10888---,00.html

Fish Ladders and Weirs http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364 19092---,00.html

Fish Disease

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_10950---,00.html

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State Fish Hatcheries http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_28277,00.html
Master Angler and State Records http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_10948,00.html
Fish Idea http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10364_18958,00.html
Parks and Recreation Links
GO GET OUTDOORS http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-117811,00.html
Harvest Festivals http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-73392,00.html
Camp Ground Hosts http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-27524,00.html
Biking http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_16816,00.html
Boating http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10884,00.html
Cabins, Teepees, and mini cabins http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_24196,00.html
Camping http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10883,00.html
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Visitor Centers, Museums and Historic Sites http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10887,00.html
Forestry Outreach Weblinks
The website link for the Urban and Community Forestry Programs, including Arbor Day, Tree City USA, Emerald Ash Borer, and the Visiting Urban Forester Program is:
http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301_30505_30733,00.html
The website link for the Forest Stewardship Programs, including the Forest Land

Enhancement Program (FLEP), Forest Legacy Program (FLP), and the Commercial Forest Program is:

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301_30505_34240---,00.html

MOUNTAIN BIKING



<u>Networking Michigan With Trailways Brochure</u> Link: <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-79028--,00.html</u>

Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests 121771 7.pdf

Upper Penisula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways Map and Key

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf

Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

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Parks and Recreation Links

Camping

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OFF ROAD VEHICLES



Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

Motorized ORV Trails

Upper Peninsula:	(Lower Peninsula continued):
Baraga Plains Trail	Missaukee Junction Motorcycle Trail
Porterfield Lake Motorcycle Trail	North Missaukee Trail
Bass Lake Trail	Little Manistee Route
Forest Island Trail	Little Manistee Motorcycle Trail
Drummond Island Motorcycle Trail	Tin Cup Spring Motorcycle Trail
Danaher Plains Trail	Evart Motorcycle Trail
Two-Heart Trail	Mio Trail
 Silver Creek Motorcycle Trail 	Frederic Loop Trail
Brevort-Trout Lake Motorcycle Trail	West Higgins
 Sandtown Motorcycle Trail 	Geels South Trail
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Kinross Motorcycle Trail Lower Peninsula:	Ambrose Lake Trail
	Old State House Trail
Black Lake Trail	Leota Trail
Tomahawk Motorcycle Trail	Denton Creek Trail
Atlanta Trail	St. Helen Trails
 Brush Creek Route 	Gladwin Trail
Elk Route	 CCC and White Cloud Trails
North Branch Route	CCC/Big O/Little O Trails
 Kalkaska Area Trails 	Huron Trail
Leetsville Trail	 Bull Gap Motorcycle Trail
Grand Traverse Motorcycle Trail	Bull Gap Trail
Long Lake Motorcycle Trail	The Meadows Trail

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Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

Michigan Off Road Vehicle Guide Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/ORVguide 95964 7.pdf

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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES / LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

PHYSICIAN CERTIFICATION ORV PRIVILEGES FOR PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY

Subject to the provisions of Part 811, Off-Road Recreational Vehicles, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, the person named below may:

Operate a licensed ORV/ATV less than 50" in width in a manner and at a speed which is reasonable and does not degrade the environment, on all forest roads on state-owned lands whether posted open to ORVs or not. Privileges <u>do not</u> extend to cross-country travel nor to areas, trails and roads specifically posted CLOSED to vehicle or ORV use, nor to the operation of an ORV within state game, wildlife, or research areas, federal forest lands, state parks, state recreation areas or Michigan trailways. Contact the state game, wildlife, or research area manager, federal forest land manager, state park, recreation area or trailway manager regarding access to state game, wildlife, or research areas, federal forest lands, state parks, recreation areas, federal forest lands, state parks, recreation areas, federal forest lands, state parks, state parks, recreation areas, federal forest lands, state parks, recreation areas, federal forest lands, state parks, recreation areas, federal forest lands, state parks, state parks, recreation areas, federal forest lands, state parks, recreation areas and trailways.

ALL OTHER EQUIPMENT, LICENSE AND OPERATION REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS APPLY. THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE CARRIED AND DISPLAYED BY THE APPLICANT WHEN OPERATING IN THE AREAS MENTIONED ABOVE. PRIVILEGES EXTEND TO 1 COMPANION SERVING AS OPERATOR OR PASSENGER OF THE APPLICANT'S ORV, IF THE ORV IS DESIGNED FOR PASSENGER USE, WHILE OPERATING IN AREAS MENTIONED ABOVE. THIS DOCUMENT DOES NOT AUTHORIZE CROSS-COUNTRY TRAVEL OR OTHER PROHIBITED OPERATION.

Applicant's Name (Print)	Date of birth	Applicant's Signature
Street Address	City	State ZIP
A licensed physician	MUST complete	and sign the following:
Due to the following disability (please check as a	applicable):	
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The above mentioned disability is:		
Permanent (this certificate expires 4 years physician's certification date)		mporary (this certificate expires 6 months from ysician's certification date)
Physician Name	Physicia	n Phone
Physician Street Address	City, Sta	e, ZIP
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Physician Signature	Certific	ation Date
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Park Management Planning

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Improvements

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Snowmobiling

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

Links to several places where we post public information on the web about meetings. <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10366_23334-62766--,00.html</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10366_11859---,00.html</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10366_11862---,00.html</u>

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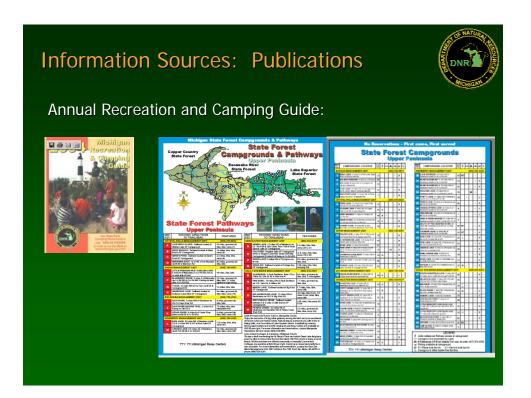
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Recreation Education Opportunities

http://www.michigandnr.com/hunting/recnsrch.asp

Wildlife Links

Michigan Watchable Wildlife Viewing http://www.michigandnr.com/publications/pdfs/wildlife/viewingquide/

Wildlife Habitat

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10370 12148---,00.html

Research Projects

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10370 12143---,00.html

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Dispersed State Forest Recreation



Dispersed recreation is not dependent on developed facilities.

Activities include:

Camping Hunting Fishing Nature observation Mushroom and berry picking Photography





Michigan has the largest public land base for dispersed recreation east of the Mississippi

SHOOTING RANGES

<u>Wildlife</u>

South Central Wildlife Management Unit

Handicap Accessible Shooting Range - Sharonville SGA - T3S R2E, Sec.36, Jackson County Handicap Accessible Shooting Range - Rose Lake SGA - T5N R1W, Sec.24, Clinton County

Recreation Education Opportunities

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SNOWMOBILING

Snowmobiling Regulations link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/SNOWMOBILE_27662_7.pdf

Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

Motorized Snowmobile Trails

Upper Peninsula:

- Motorized Snowmobile Trails
- Drummond Island Motorcycle Trail
- Silver Creek Motorcycle Trail

Lower Peninsula:

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- West Higgins
- Old State House Trail
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<u>Networking Michigan With Trailways Brochure</u> Link: <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-79028--,00.html</u>

Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests 121771 7.pdf

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Trails and Pathways

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SWIMMING

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TRAILS







Wildlife

Eastern Upper Peninsula Wildlife Management Unit

The Rainey Memorial Wildlife Area North of Indian Lake in Schoolcraft County has a handicap accessible trail and viewing tower.

South Central Wildlife Management Unit

Handicap Accessible Deer Hunting Trail and Blind - Maple River State Game Area (SGA) - T9N R3W, Sec.33, Clinton County

Southwest Wildlife Management Unit

The Allegan Farm Unit is heavily used by handicapped hunters (wheelchairs, artificial limbs, health mobility restrictions) due to the closeness of the parking facilities and the recent upgrade of access trails to the hunting cover corn strips. However, none of these areas are specially noted as handicapped preference.

Saginaw Bay Wildlife Management Unit

The Saniliac State Game Area has an accessible trail ½ mile long in Section 12 of Greenleaf Township.

Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

Accessible Trails and Pathways

- Betsie Valley Trail
- Musketawa Trail
- Pere Marquette State Trail

Motorized ORV Trails

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Upper Peninsula:	(Lower Peninsula continued)
Baraga Plains Trail	 Missaukee Junction Motorcycle Trail
 Porterfield Lake Motorcycle Trail 	 North Missaukee Trail
Bass Lake Trail	Little Manistee Route
Forest Island Trail	Little Manistee Motorcycle Trail
Drummond Island Motorcycle Trail	Tin Cup Spring Motorcycle Trail
Danaher Plains Trail	Evart Motorcycle Trail
Two-Heart Trail	Mio Trail
Silver Creek Motorcycle Trail	Frederic Loop Trail
Brevort-Trout Lake Motorcycle Trail	West Higgins
Sandtown Motorcycle Trail	Geels South Trail
Kinross Motorcycle Trail	Ambrose Lake Trail
Lower Peninsula:	Old State House Trail
Black Lake Trail	Leota Trail
Tomahawk Motorcycle Trail	Denton Creek Trail
Atlanta Trail	St. Helen Trails
Brush Creek Route	Gladwin Trail
Elk Route	 CCC and White Cloud Trails
North Branch Route	 CCC/Big O/Little O Trails
Kalkaska Area Trails	Huron Trail
Leetsville Trail	Bull Gap Motorcycle Trail
Grand Traverse Motorcycle Trail	Bull Gap Trail
Long Lake Motorcycle Trail	The Meadows Trail

Motorized Snowmobile Trails

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Water Access

Boating:

• Milakokia State Forest Campground

Fishing:

- Little Presque Isle Marquette County
- Leverenth Lake Oscoda County
- Andrus Lake Chippewa County

Hartwick Pines State Park Public Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Old Growth Forest Foot Trail Tour	An interpreter leads a group of visitors along the Old growth Trail describing the flora and fauna of NLP as well as touching on historical matters, ecology, diversity, ecosystems and other subjects	The Old growth Forest Foot Trail is paved and the width specified by the ADA
Snowshoe Hikes	The park interpreter and site historian guide snowshoe laden-visitors through portions of the Old Growth forest while discussing outdoor recreation/survival and wildlife tracking	Not recommended for physically disabled persons unless they can walk wearing snowshoes
Lantern Light		

** Programs exclusively offered by Rob Burg (HAL), Site Historian at HPSP and his staff

Michigan Fisheries Visitor Centers Accessible Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
NATURE TRAIL	This trail is a one-mile loop connecting Hatchery entrance with visitor center entrance. Half of this trail is ADA compliant, the other half is a primitive trail with a deep slope.	¹ / ₂ of this trail is ADA accessible.
WHITE CEDAR SWAMP TRAIL	This trail is graded but not filled with gravel or paved.	Not recommended for wheelchair use.
WINTER PROGRAMS	Programs take place beginning at the visitor center on US 31. Some programs will move outdoors for a nature hike.	Indoor activities are accessible, programs that involve outdoor movement are not recommended for wheelchair use.

Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park Program Accessibility

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Discovery Hike	along the Visitor Center Interpretive Trail stopping along the trail to interpret plants, animals and natural features of the park.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. No portion of this trail is currently ADA accessible. Tactile elements are included in presentation.
Union Mine Interpretive		No part of this trail is currently ADA
Trail	brochure and numbered monuments.	accessible, brochure available in large
		format upon request.
Visitor Center Nature	A one mile trail with 24 interpretive	No part of this trail is currently ADA
Trail	panels.	accessible.

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	ACCESSIBILITY
Nonesuch Interpretive Hike	An interpreter leads a group of visitors on a visit to an old copper mining town site.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. Although it has not been evaluated for ADA accessibility, 70% of the hike is conducted from a gravel road leading into the site permitting wheelchair access.
	An interpreter leads a group of visitors into the park to investigate and interpret specific natural features or wildlife species.	Hearing assist devices available upon request. Tactile elements are included in presentations. These hikes are conducted in the wilderness area of the park and often include hiking "off- trail." Except for the 5 to 10 minute introduction at the beginning of the hike, this activity is not ADA accessible.
Lantern Light Ski	Lanterns light a 1-mile cross country ski loop, campfire located ½ ways along loop.	Trail is groomed and will accommodate a "sit-ski" skiing device, although the trail is not specifically ADA compliant. Warming shelter on trail is not ADA accessible.

Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

Designated Campgrounds

Semi-Modern Campgrounds:

• Houghton Lake State Forest Campground

Rustic Campgrounds:

- Haakwood State Forest Campground
- Guernsey Lake State Forest Campground
- Reedsburg Dam State Forest Campground
- Lake Margrethe
- Portage Bay State Forest Campground
- Blind Sucker #2 State Forest Campground
- Beaufort Lake State Forest Campground
- Pretty Lake State Forest Campground
- Baxter Bridge State Forest Campground
- Black Creek State Forest Campground
- Gene's Pond State Forest Campground
- Jones Lake State Forest Campground
- Milakokia State Forest Campground
- North Gemini Lake State Forest Campground
- Squaw Lake State Forest Campground
- Weber Lake State Forest Campground
- Carrieville State Forest Campground

Rustic Cabins:

• Little Presque Isle Rustic Cabins

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Designated Campgrounds





Semi-Modern Campground



Equestrian Campground

Rustic Campground



Group Camps



Rustic Cabins



Accessible



Designated Campgrounds



1 Campground



Accessible Rustic Campgrounds 17 Campgrounds

Accessible Semi-Modern Campgrounds



Accessible Rustic Cabins



6 Cabins



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<u>Networking Michigan With Trailways Brochure</u> Link: <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10319-79028--,00.html</u>

- Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests 121771 7.pdf
- Upper Penisula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways Map and Key http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf

Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

Michigan Off Road Vehicle Guide Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/ORVguide_95964_7.pdf

- DNR Recreation & Camping Guide http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-88991--,00.html
 - <u>Four Seasons of Fun</u> <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/FourSeasonsofFun_121769_7.pdf</u>
 - Northern Lower Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways http://www.michigan.gov/documents/NorthernLowerStateForests_121771_7.pdf
 - <u>Upper Peninsula State Forest Campgrounds and Pathways</u>
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UpperPeninsulaStateForests 121770 7.pdf</u>
 - <u>Accessible Features and Camping Hints</u>
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Acessibility_Hints_121775_7.pdf</u>
 - Upper Peninsula State Parks
 http://www.michigan.gov/documents/UP_StateParks_121772_7.pdf

- Lower Peninsula State Parks
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LP_StateParks_121773_7.pdf</u>
- Learning Opportunities and Special Events
 <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/LearningOpportunities 121777 7.pdf</u>

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Parks and Recreation Links

GO GET OUTDOORS http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-117811,00.html
Harvest Festivals http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-73392,00.html
Camp Ground Hosts http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365-27524,00.html
Biking http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_16816,00.html
Boating http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10884,00.html
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Camping http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10883,00.html
ORV/ATV http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_15070,00.html
Park Management Planning http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_31399,00.html
Improvements http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-30301_31154_32314,00.html
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Visitor Centers, Museums and Historic Sites http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10365_10887,00.html

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2005-2006 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide

http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,1607,7-153-10363-75201--,00.html

Important dates, updates, reminders, regulations, and more of the information you need to know before hunting and trapping in Michigan.

VIEWING AND OBSERVATION



Wildlife

Eastern Upper Peninsula Wildlife Management Unit

The Rainey Memorial Wildlife Area North of Indian Lake in Schoolcraft County has a handicap accessible trail and viewing tower.

Northeast Wildlife Management Unit

There is a handicap accessible observation platform at Houghton Lake Flats. It is about 1.5 miles north of the M-55 traffic light on Old 27. A cooperative project with the Michigan Conservation Foundation (if I'm not getting it mixed up) is underway to develop a handicap accessible fishing pier/dock near the same location.

Northwest Wildlife Management Unit

Handicap accessible observation tower – Manistee River SGA, T21N R16W, Sec. 6, Manistee County.

Handicap accessible observation tower – Pere Marquette State Forest, T18N R18W, Sec. 24, Mason County.

South Central Wildlife Management Unit

Handicap Accessible Waterfowl Hunting/Viewing Blind - Maple River SGA - T9N R2W, Sec.28, Clinton County

Southwest Wildlife Management Unit

Handicap accessible boardwalk observation area at Cannonsburg SGA, north side of 5 Mile Road, T8N R10W, Sec. 28, Kent County.

Saginaw Bay Wildlife Management Unit

Fish Point Wildlife Area has an accessible observation tower and an accessible duck hunting blind, and boat dock.

Southeast Wildlife Management Unit

Pte. Mouillee State Game Area has an accessible bird observation platform located near the headquarters parking lot.

Michigan DNR State Land Rules Link:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/State Land Rules 62818 7.pdf

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N	lichigan Watchable Wildlife Viewing http://www.michigandnr.com/publications/pdfs/wildlife/viewingguide/
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