

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Board of Commissioners via Resolution #P1901145 authorized the Berrien County Parks & Recreation Department to execute a purchase agreement for 63 acres of land that adjoins Paw Paw River County Park; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners via resolution #P1903180 authorized the Parks & Recreation Department to apply for a Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund (MDNRTF) Grant in the amount of \$80,000 to acquire that acreage that would allow for an expansion of the park and enhance the recreational opportunities in the northern part of the county; and

WHEREAS, the department was notified that the grant was awarded and as required, has budgeted \$30,000 to provide the grant match for the land acquisition; and

WHEREAS, the attached Project Agreement, boundary map and legal description describes the purpose and scope of the acquisition for accepting the grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the terms of the Project Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and authorizes the Chairman to execute the grant agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED as reflected in said agreement that Berrien County does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide \$30,000 to match the grant authorized by the Department, and
2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, document, and records to make them available to the Department for auditing at reasonable times in perpetuity, and
3. To regulate the use of the property acquired and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms, and
4. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the forgoing portions of this Resolution.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

William J. Chickering, Chairperson

David Vollrath, Vice-Chairperson

Teri Sue Freehling



MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND
LAND ACQUISITION PROJECT AGREEMENT

This information is required by authority of Part 5 of Act 451, P.A. 1994 as amended, to receive funds.

This Agreement is between Berrien County in the county of Berrien County hereinafter referred to as the "GRANTEE," and the MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, an agency of the State of Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT."

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide funding to acquire land or rights in land for the project named below. This Agreement is subject to the terms and conditions specified herein.

Project Title: Paw Paw River County Park Expansion Project #: TF19-0191
Amount of grant: \$80,000.00 73% PROJECT TOTAL: \$110,000.00
Amount of match: \$30,000.00 27%
Start Date: Date of Execution by DEPARTMENT End Date: 08/31/2022

As a precondition to the effectiveness of this Agreement, the GRANTEE is required to sign and return it to the DEPARTMENT with the necessary attachments by 10/02/2020, or the Agreement may be cancelled by the DEPARTMENT. This Agreement is not effective until the GRANTEE has signed it, returned it, and the DEPARTMENT has signed it.

The individuals signing below certify by their signatures that they are authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of their agencies, and that the parties will fulfill the terms of this Agreement, including any attached appendices, as set forth herein.

GRANTEE

SIGNED

By [Print Name]: R. McKinley Elliott
Title: Chairman
Organization: Berrien County Board of Commissioners
Date: November 5, 2020

Required - Please choose one Acquisition Closing Option Desired:
[] This project will be completed utilizing a grant reimbursement process.
[] This project will be completed utilizing an escrow closing process.

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SIGMA Vendor Number

SIGMA Address ID

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SIGNED:

By: Grants Section Manager
Date of Execution by DEPARTMENT