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House Bill 4244 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Phil Green
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CONTENT

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund. On December 12, 2018, the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Board adopted fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 recommendations for acquisition and development projects pursuant to Article IX, Section 35 of the Michigan Constitution and the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act. The original recommendations included a \$26.0 million appropriation from the MNRTF for 30 acquisition projects (\$18.7 million) and 34 development projects (\$7.4 million).

The bill would appropriate money from the MNRTF to fund the recommended projects at those levels.

The MNRTF was capitalized through deposits of bonuses, rentals, delayed rentals, and royalties collected or reserved by the State under provisions of leases for the extraction of nonrenewable resources from State-owned land, except such revenue accruing under leases of State-owned land acquired with money from the State or Federal Game and Fish Protection Fund. Pursuant to the Michigan Constitution, annual expenditures consisted of MNRTF interest and earnings, and 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % of MNRTF revenue received by the State during the previous fiscal year, until the corpus of the MNRTF reached \$500.0 million. The MNRTF reached \$500.0 million in 2011, thereby limiting subsequent annual expenditures to interest and investment earnings, and funding carried forward from previous years.

The Michigan Constitution provides that not less than 25% of the total amounts made available for expenditure from the Trust Fund from any State fiscal year must be spent for acquisition of land and rights in land and not more than 25% of the total amounts made available for expenditure from the Trust Fund from any State fiscal year must be spent for development of public recreation facilities.

Boilerplate

Sec. 301. Provides criteria for agreements with local units of government for administration of MNRTF grants.

Sec. 302. Provides for work project status of grants. Requires funds to be carried forward consistent with Section 248 of the Management and Budget Act.

Sec. 303. Identifies withdrawn projects so that those funds may lapse.

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would appropriate \$26,044,000 from the MNRTF for 30 acquisition projects and 34 development projects. Matching funds of \$15,862,100 for local projects would result in total project costs of \$41,906,100.

FY 2018-19 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF)				
Projects	Number of Projects	Trust Fund	Match	Total Cost
<u>Acquisition Projects</u>				
State owned	8	\$6,644,600	\$640,000	\$7,284,600
Local Government.....	<u>22</u>	<u>12,006,000</u>	<u>4,721,600</u>	<u>16,727,600</u>
Subtotal Acquisition Projects.....	30	\$18,650,600	\$5,361,600	\$24,012,200
<u>Development Projects</u>				
State owned	4	\$540,000	\$0	\$540,000
Local Government.....	<u>30</u>	<u>6,853,400</u>	<u>10,500,500</u>	<u>17,353,900</u>
Subtotal Development Projects ...	<u>34</u>	<u>\$7,393,400</u>	<u>\$10,500,500</u>	<u>\$17,893,900</u>
TOTAL.....	64	\$26,044,000	\$15,862,100	\$41,906,100

Date Completed: 4-11-19

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Priority	Project ¹	Proposed Owner	County Location	Total Cost	Match	Trust Fund
1.	Gulf Street Acquisition. Acquisition of 7.33 acres adjacent to Fitzgerald Park. The property has 177 feet of frontage along Sandstone Creek, flowing directly into Michigan's longest river, the Grand River. This unique geological area comprised of historic sandstone ledges is celebrated by geologists and earth scientists across Michigan and the country. "The Ledges of the Grand River are the best exposure of Pennsylvanian-age rocks in the state of Michigan. Besides their scenic beauty, the Ledges and additional outcrops of the area provide a unique setting in which to explore an ancient near-shore marine beach environment," (Geological Society of America Centennial Field Guide, 1987.) And for those who enjoy trails for nature walks, bird watching, fishing, cross-country skiing, mountain biking, and exploring the scenic beauty of the ledges, this addition will provide enjoyment for generations to come.	City of Grand Ledge	Eaton	\$130,000	\$53,000	\$77,000
2.	Lincoln Park Expansion. Acquisition of a 0.69-acre parcel of property along Lake Huron and adjacent to Lincoln Park. This land purchase will ensure additional public access to the lake and increase the size of Lincoln Park, which is one of the most popular attractions in the area.	City of Harbor Beach	Huron	100,000	51,000	49,000
3.	Grand Beach Nature Preserve Acquisition. Acquisition of approximately 42 acres to become the Grand Beach Nature Preserve. The acquisition will preserve an existing coastal plain marsh, allow for the use and future expansion of a non-motorized trail system and buffer existing conservation land from development.	Village of Grand Beach	Berrien	3,200,000	800,000	2,400,000

¹ Project descriptions provided by the Department of Natural Resources.

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4.	Former Pirate's Park Acquisition. Acquisition of the former Pirate's Park property for future development as a public outdoor recreational facility. The property, approximately 38.7 acres in size, is located on the south side of Miller Road, with frontage on Swartz Creek and I-69. If purchased, the land will be publicly accessible for residents of Flint Township as well as the larger region. Future improvements are proposed to create a unique public outdoor recreation amenity.	Flint Charter Township	Genesee	2,015,000	504,000	1,511,000
5.	George George Park Land Acquisition. Acquisition of a 0.29-acre residential property that is virtually surrounded by existing township parkland. Once acquired, the property will be used for a variety of public recreation activities in the very popular George George and Woodrow Woody Parks.	Clinton Charter Township	Macomb	250,000	75,000	175,000
6.	Brendel Lake Campground Acquisition. Acquisition of 57 acres that is currently the closed Brendel Lake Campground to develop it as a township park. The property contains over 500 feet of frontage along Brendel Lake, which is a part of the headwaters of the Huron River and is part of a multiple chain-of-lakes that run through White Lake Township. This area contains unique woodland and wetland ecosystems that support sensitive species, including threatened flora. The township envisions active and passive recreation opportunities at this site, including fishing, nature viewing, walking, and paddling. Improvements would include an improved driveway, parking area, restrooms, paths, playground and kayak launch. The park would link to the Township's proposed nonmotorized pathway along Elizabeth Lake Road.	White Lake Township	Oakland	1,855,400	483,000	1,372,400

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7.	Cornish SGA Acquisition. Acquisition of 126 acres of land for habitat conservation, public hunting and recreation. The Cornish State Game Area was established in 2015 after the state purchase of 385 acres adjacent to the 77-acre Federal Kinney Waterfowl Production Area (WPA). The 126 acres is now available for purchase adjacent to the game area and the WPA. One of the parcels connects the game area and the WPA and includes the western portion of Grass Lake. The property will be managed for waterfowl and grassland bird production. Hunting opportunities include wild turkey, deer, waterfowl, pheasant and other small game.	DNR - Wildlife Division	Van Buren	534,600	0	534,600
8.	South Shore Lake Macatawa Land Acquisition. Acquisition of a 3/4-acre parcel with over 148 feet of sheltered frontage on Lake Macatawa. The site is next to the existing township boat launch. It will be developed with passive recreation facilities including an accessible kayak launch and parking.	Park Township	Ottawa	900,000	225,000	675,000
9.	Ottawa Sand-Phase 2. Acquisition of nearly 160 acres which is the second phase of a 353-acre property that includes extensive Critical Dune, an 80-acre man-made lake and Grand River frontage. This site along with adjacent protected properties will complete the final link in a nearly six-mile stretch of green infrastructure and wildlife corridor that will encompass nearly 2,400 acres and extend from near Grand Haven's North Pier to Hoffmaster State Park. The site will be developed for day use, swimming, fishing, hiking and camping.	Ottawa	Ottawa	5,408,400	1,591,200	3,817,200

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10.	East Willard Avenue Acquisition. Acquisition of approximately 3.47 acres adjacent to Scott Woods Park, which is located along Sycamore Creek. The acquisition of this property will allow the City of Lansing to own the property on both sides of the trail leading to the River Trail from Willard Avenue. This property is wooded and borders Mount Hope Cemetery and Scott Woods Park on the north, west and south.	City of Lansing	Ingham	23,100	5,800	17,300
11.	Hunter's Ridge Drive Acquisition. Acquisition of approximately 1.6 acres within Hunter's Ridge Park along the Grand River. This acquisition will provide scenic frontage along the Grand River and expand recreation opportunities at the park.	City of Lansing	Ingham	110,000	27,500	82,500
12.	Garden Island Land Acquisition. Acquisition of 58.26 acres of land on Garden Island, which is a 4,990-acre uninhabited island located in the Beaver Island archipelago in northern Lake Michigan. The island is accessible only by boat and is almost entirely owned by the State of Michigan. The property proposed for acquisition and two other smaller parcels are the only remaining inholdings not in state ownership. Garden Island is extremely diverse and contains many rare, threatened, and endangered plants, animals, and natural communities.	DNR - Wildlife Division	Charlevoix	240,000	0	240,000
13.	Clinton River Spillway Park Acquisition. Acquisition of 6.3 acres of vacant land near the Clinton River Spillway Drain. Clinton Township will use the property for public outdoor recreation purposes consistent with goals outlined in the Township Parks & Recreation Master Plan.	Clinton Charter Township	Macomb	378,000	113,400	264,600

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14.	Thornapple-Eaton Land Acquisition. Acquisition of approximately 465 acres for a new State game area in Eaton County. The property is in an area identified by the Department where public hunting land of 500+ acres is lacking. A new state game area in this region will provide public hunting and recreation land that is currently in short supply. The property consists of agricultural, forest, shrub, field and wetlands. It also has about ¾ of a mile of frontage on the Thornapple River. The property will be managed for pheasant, deer, turkey, and waterfowl habitat, and will provide hunting, fishing, and wildlife viewing opportunities.	DNR - Wildlife Division	Eaton	2,360,000	640,000	1,720,000
15.	Watkins Lake County Preserve Addition. Acquisition (fee simple) of two parcels totaling approximately 23 acres in Manchester Township, which will expand the existing 1,122-acre Watkins Lake State Park and County Preserve (WLP). The property will serve both as a connector to the existing trail system in WLP at Sharon Hollow Road, and as a trailhead with parking lot off Austin Road for the proposed regional nonmotorized trail. Purchase of the property and expansion of the trail will increase the opportunity for patrons to experience the high-quality natural features and cultural heritage found at WLP including: Watkins Lake, a designated waterfowl refuge, documented prairie fen habitat, and the site's historical connection to the Underground Railroad.	Washtenaw County	Washtenaw	101,000	40,400	60,600

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16.	West Riverfront Park Trail Connection. Acquisition of 1/3 of a mile of improved riverfront trailway easement. The West Riverfront Connector will be a key linkage between the existing Riverwalk on the east riverfront and West Riverfront Park. This section of the Riverwalk will span the Riverfront Towers apartment complex frontage and include easements on parcels owned by the Downtown Development Authority and another private parcel. The largest portion, spanning the Riverfront Towers property, will be a boardwalk situated 17 feet out from the land's edge and will be incorporated into the property's plan for a marina. This span is of critical importance to the Riverwalk and Iron Belle Trail, as the current route from West Riverfront Park to the east riverfront requires visitors to walk inland to West Jefferson Avenue, around the apartment complex, and then back to the Riverwalk. The Detroit Riverfront Conservancy has secured the necessary agreements to build the boardwalk in this location.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Wayne	3,000,000	0	3,000,000
17.	Wise Road Acquisition. Acquisition of approximately 0.59 of an acre adjacent to the northern property line of Davis Park along Wise Road, will provide a much-needed buffer between the ball field and adjacent residential property.	City of Lansing	Ingham	27,400	6,900	20,500
18.	Tawas City Property Acquisition. Acquisition of property adjacent to Shoreline Park with 30 feet of frontage along Lake Huron. Once acquired, this property will be added to the city's park system to provide additional Great Lakes access as well as a significant improvement to the scenic view from US-23.	City of Tawas City	Iosco	238,800	63,500	175,300

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19.	Watkins Lake State Park. Acquisition of 123 acres to connect two sections of Watkins Lake State Park and County Preserve which will provide regional non-motorized trail development opportunities, wildlife habitat conservation and a variety of recreation opportunities. The property is made up of two parcels which include a former railroad corridor and a high-quality prairie fen wetland with unique natural communities. Acquisition of the parcels will allow the property to be dedicated, operated and managed as part of Watkins Lake State Park.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Jackson	450,000	0	450,000
20.	Negaunee Trailhead Acquisition. Acquisition of three acres of property in Negaunee along the 47-mile Iron Ore Heritage Trail for the development of a trailhead that will support a variety of trail users including walkers, bikers, ORVs and snowmobiles. The parcel of property is at the highly visible and easily accessible corner of CR 492 and M-35. The future trailhead will include parking and restrooms that will be open 24/7 year-round. The new trailhead will provide a much-needed access point for users of the Marquette to Negaunee segment, a distance of 14 miles.	Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority	Marquette	40,000	10,400	29,600
21.	Harsens Island Kayak Access. Acquisition of 9 acres of property located on Harsens Island along the Krispin Blueway and Harsen's Island bike trail. Once acquired, plans are to add an accessible kayak launch with a wetland boardwalk, parking, bathrooms, nature trail and a 25-foot-high observation tower looking out over the marsh. The property will also serve as a bike trailhead with amenities for bicyclists.	Clay Township	St. Clair	116,600	30,400	86,200
22.	Lowell Regional Park Addition. Acquisition of 122 acres to expand the existing 406-acre Lowell Regional Park. Property includes open field, a stream and old growth forest, fen and wetland with high floristic quality. The majority of the site will be natural area with hiking trails as well as a small developed area with playground, restroom, picnic facilities and parking.	Kent County	Kent	976,000	292,800	683,200

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23.	Little Ocqueoc River Land. Acquisition of approximately 80 acres of diverse forestland with a very unique feature created by the area's Karst topography. The property contains over 1,600 feet of Little Ocqueoc River corridor and includes the "undergrounds". This is where a stretch of the river disappears underground and then resurfaces further downstream. The Little Ocqueoc River is also a wild brook trout stream that also supports steelhead and Coho salmon. The property is dominated by an aspen forest, but also includes a hardwood stand, cedar swamp and bog located near the river. This parcel provides habitat for a variety of species including deer, black bear, fisher, marten, ruffed grouse, and a variety of fur-bearing species. Recreational opportunities are abundant including snowmobiling (Trail 99 traverses the property), hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking, wildlife viewing, and exploring the unique land formation and underground river.	DNR - Forest Resources Division	Presque Isle	200,000	0	200,000
24.	Tahquamenon River Access Purchase. Acquisition of 157.5 acres adjacent to Tahquamenon Falls State Park to provide a public water access site on the Tahquamenon River, filling a gap within this 33-mile-long stretch of the river. The property contains an existing boat launch and frontage on M-123 and provides consolidation of ownership within Tahquamenon Falls State Park and state forest land. The property also provides numerous forestland recreation opportunities northwest of M-123. If acquired, the land will be managed as part of Tahquamenon Falls State Park.	DNR-Fisheries Division	Luce	300,000	0	300,000
25.	Iron Belle Trail Easements-West U.P. Acquisition of 10.44 miles of 30-foot-wide hiking trail easement in Marquette and Ontonagon Counties. The purpose of this project will be to secure permanent trail easement rights for the hiking portion of the Iron Belle Trail and North Country National Scenic Trail.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Marquette	200,000	0	200,000

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26.	Millennium Park Expansion. Acquisition of nearly five acres to expand Millennium Park. Site development will include habitat restoration, pond fishing and a trail connection from the Millennium Park trails to the Fred Meijer Standale Trail.	Kent County	Kent	490,000	196,000	294,000
27.	Golden Township Park Addition. Acquisition to expand Golden Township Park at Silver Lake Sand Dunes. The 1.03-acre acquisition will provide greenspace and an area for overflow parking for various festivals and events held at this popular park.	Golden Township	Oceana	135,000	67,500	67,500
28.	Elks Trail Easement Acquisition. Acquisition of an easement along the south side of Dowagiac Creek between Cass Avenue and Riverside Drive for the purpose of building a trail for access to an inaccessible stretch of the creek and to link eight miles of existing trails.	City of Dowagiac	Cass	75,000	18,800	56,200
29.	Schutmaat Park Acquisition. Acquisition of nearly one acre to expand the existing Schutmaat Park. Future development will include an overlook, parking, shelter, restroom enclosure for a portable toilet and stair access to the existing park. The expansion will provide parking for the existing park which includes a boat launch and fishing piers on the Rabbit River.	Heath Township	Allegan	100,000	50,000	50,000
30.	Lake Huron Access and Trailhead Acquisition. Acquisition of an approximately two-acre parcel on M-134 to be developed for parking to serve multiple recreational venues including the nearby Hessel Harbor and Launch, as a trailhead for regional snowmobile trails, and the adjoining 40-acre Michigan Nature Association Beaver Dam Nature Sanctuary to the east. Additionally, the Little Traverse Conservancy's Mackinac Bay Nature Preserve is located immediately across the highway.	Clark Township	Mackinac	\$57,900	\$16,000	\$41,900

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	Acquisition Project Summary					
	State of Michigan Ownership (8 Projects)			\$7,284,600	\$640,000	\$6,644,600
	Local Government Ownership (22 Projects)			<u>\$16,727,600</u>	<u>\$4,721,600</u>	<u>\$12,006,000</u>
	TOTAL:			\$24,012,200	\$5,361,600	\$18,650,600

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Priority	Project	Proposed Owner	County Location	Total Cost	Match	Trust Fund
1.	Scarlet's Playground at Dodge Park #5. The Scarlet's Playground Project will build a 16,000-square-foot all-inclusive playground in Commerce Township's Dodge Park #5 where all children, regardless of their ability, can play together. Scarlet's Playground will be the largest outdoor all-inclusive, universally designed playground in Michigan to provide accessibility for children and adults of all abilities in an environment of equality. The playground will include swings, teeter totters, sensory equipment, climbing structures, slides, play decks and more, all situated under sun-shaded canopies.	Commerce Township	Oakland	\$300,000	\$105,000	\$195,000
2.	Lake Lansing Park South Improvements. Development to replace the dock on Lake Lansing at one of the county's most popular parks. The improvements will benefit people of all abilities for fishing, viewing and boating. The project will also include new walkways, interpretative signage, lighting, and benches.	Ingham County	Ingham	456,600	156,600	300,000
3.	Kochville Township Trail Extension. Development of a 2.1-mile non-motorized trail that will extend the existing Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail (GLBRT) from Kochville Township westward to Tittabawassee Township.	Kochville Township	Saginaw	572,800	272,800	300,000
4.	Roberto Clemente Park Improvements. Development of Roberto Clemente Park as a showcase of green infrastructure, environmental education and recreation in the heart of an urban neighborhood. The project elements include green infrastructure systems including raingardens and bioswales with interpretive signs, nature-themed discovery area, playground, restroom, shelter and accessible routes.	City of Grand Rapids	Kent	1,620,000	1,320,000	300,000
5.	Freeland-Kochville Path Extension. Development of a 2.69-mile multi-use path that is part of the Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail system. It will extend the existing Freeland Path eastwardly from the Sports Zone to connect with the proposed Kochville Township Path at Hospital Road.	Tittabawassee Township	Saginaw	665,800	365,800	300,000

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6.	<p>Bessemer to Ramsay Iron Belle Trail Project. Development of a three-mile long 10-foot-wide paved recreational trail from Bessemer to Ramsay in Gogebic County as part of the Iron Belle Trail. The trail will be located primarily on an existing railroad grade as well as an abandoned roadway and through a wooded property. This trail project will extend a previously constructed 6.7-mile segment from the western terminus in Ironwood to Bessemer. The bike trail will link Ramsay to Bessemer, Ironwood, and Hurley to the west which will increase the region's tourism attraction due to the additional recreational opportunities. The project is also supported by a Transportation Alternatives Program grant from the Michigan Department of Transportation.</p>	Gogebic County	Gogebic	1,428,500	1,128,600	299,900
7.	<p>Kalamazoo River Valley Trail Development. Development of the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail (KRVT) through downtown Kalamazoo adds approximately 3,800 feet of 12-foot-wide, paved multi-purpose trail to the existing regional network of non-motorized trails that includes the Kal-Haven Trail and others. This development includes two non-contiguous but directly related sections of trail that add to the north and south ends of existing KRVT trail.</p>	City of Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo	521,300	221,300	300,000

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8.	Bailey Park Improvements. Development to renovate Bailey Community Park and improve accessibility, increase recreational offerings and replace obsolete park features. Under this project, the 5-12-year-old children's playground will be resurfaced to meet playground safety standards and a new play structure will be provided for children 2-5 years of age. The park will be beautified with landscape gardens that demonstrate the use of native, pollinator friendly plants in the suburban environment. New shade trees will be provided throughout the park and a paved plaza with a shade structure will provide a social gathering space for park users. A walking path, bicycle loops, drinking fountain, and fencing will be installed as well.	City of East Lansing	Ingham	296,000	77,000	219,000
9.	Venoy Dorsey Park Canoe and Kayak Launch Development. Development project at Wayne County's Venoy Dorsey Park in the City of Wayne to add two canoe/kayak launches and associated parking and amenities to both ends of the park on the Rouge River. One launch will be at the west end of the park near Venoy Road and the other at the east end, off of Merriman Road. The two launches will provide a mile of accessible water trail for everyone to enjoy. The Rouge River Water Trail is part of a 27-mile route which will travel through ten communities in Wayne County.	Wayne County	Wayne	901,500	601,500	300,000

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10.	<p>Cambridge to Frances Park River Trail Connection. Development of a connection from Cambridge Road to the Frances Park River Trail. With the increasing interest in biking, hiking, canoeing and kayaking supported by the River Trail along the Grand River, this project will help the city to better meet these needs by providing better connectivity. The larger plan calls for installing the pathway connection along Moores River Drive. The completion of this connection will provide more access to the River Trail, Frances Overlook, and the Waverly Road Path, which leads to the newly constructed River Trail South Extension.</p>	City of Lansing	Ingham	660,000	360,000	300,000
11.	<p>Argentine/LAFF Multi-Use Trail. Development of a 2.1-mile trail system to improve safety and accessibility for all citizens and visitors to the community. This project is the first phase of the 16-mile Linden, Argentine Township, Fenton and Fenton Township (LAFF) regional trail system which begins in Southern Genesee County and connects to Southern Oakland County at Seven Lakes State Park. The trail will promote tourism, exercise, and outdoor recreation to all surrounding communities.</p>	Argentine Township	Genesee	1,338,400	1,038,400	300,000
12.	<p>Waterfront Park Shoreline Improvements. Development to improve Waterfront Park, located along Jefferson Avenue with frontage on Lake St. Clair. The project will include the removal of the existing seawall, to be replaced with a stone breakwater and marsh. Other park amenities will include a kayak launch, boardwalk, sidewalk, trees, shoreline plantings, site furnishings and educational exhibits.</p>	Harrison Township	Macomb	260,000	104,000	156,000

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13.	Keweenaw Point Trail - High Rock to Montreal River. Development of 15.6 miles of a 30-mile bike-optimized, looped multi-use non-motorized trail through rugged and remote terrain paralleling Lake Superior at Keweenaw Point near Copper Harbor on state land. The single-track trail will be open to both cyclists and hikers. This project is a joint effort of Grant Township, the Copper Harbor Trails Club and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. This project is the final phase of an effort to provide a unique remote, nonmotorized back-country trail experience. The project expands non-motorized trail access to unique and scenic geography acquired with funding from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund and will help sustain and expand recreational tourism in the region.	Grant Township	Keweenaw	497,000	200,000	297,000
14.	Hill Road Recreational Park Project. Development of a paved walking path and park amenities within Mundy Township's Hill Road Recreational Park.	Mundy Charter Township	Genesee	483,500	200,500	283,000
15.	Miners Memorial Heritage Park Mountain Bike Trail System. Development of a new mountain biking trail system in Ironwood's Miners Memorial Heritage Park. The 167-acre park, located in the center of the city, was once the location of numerous historical mining operations. The new network of mountain biking trails will provide opportunities for cyclists of all levels - from beginner to advanced. The project will include development of several trailheads around the park as well as a link and trailhead on the Iron Belle Trail north of the site. The park also features a network of walking, cross-country and snowshoe trails and hosts community activities such as the Candle Light Snowshoe Hike and the SISU Skifest a popular cross-country ski race in Ironwood.	City of Ironwood	Gogebic	400,000	120,000	280,000

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16.	<p>Flint River Scenic Overlook Picnic Area. Development to improve and renovate the Archimedes Screw Block of Riverbank Park, an urban park that will serve the needs of Flint's residents and visitors by enhancing recreational access to the Iron-Belle Trail, improving lighting and railings, creating a riparian habitat, and safe recreational access to the Flint River. Work consists of creating a scenic overlook of the river, complete with an accessible river outlook, an accessible kayak ramp, and a universally accessible picnic table. In addition, the project will soften the river's edge with a beach area and riparian habitat.</p>	Genesee County	Genesee	400,000	104,000	296,000
17.	<p>Gould Park Redevelopment. Development to include the construction of an asphalt driveway with the addition of parking spaces, one of which will be ADA-accessible, access pathways between all of the park amenities, expansion and/or rehabilitation of the park's playground equipment, resurfacing of the basketball court, and the addition of educational materials focused on the importance of our groundwater.</p>	Lansing Township	Ingham	40,000	13,200	26,800
18.	<p>Romanowski Park Renovation. Development project to renovate Detroit's Romanowski Park. The project includes a 2/3-mile ADA-compliant walking path around the perimeter of the park. A new play structure will also be installed along with new park amenities such as accessible tables and benches installed throughout the park. Three existing basketball courts will be renovated and the existing tennis courts will be converted into futsal and pickleball courts.</p>	City of Detroit	Wayne	500,000	200,000	300,000

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19.	<p>Iron Belle Trail Improvements at Vietnam Veterans Park. Development to improve and renovate Vietnam Veterans Park, an urban park that will serve the needs of Flint's residents and visitors by enabling recreational access on the Iron-Belle Trail, creating a riparian habitat and safe recreational access to the Flint River. Work consists of repaving a 43-year-old section of the Iron Belle Trail, which is in poor condition and not up to current day standards. In addition, the project will add ADA access and improve the boat launch and dock. Finally, adding handicap parking spaces near the boat launch as well as planting native vegetation in the riparian zone along the river.</p>	Genesee County	Genesee	400,000	104,000	296,000
20.	<p>North City Limits Non-Motorized Pathway. Development project in the City of Escanaba to construct a non-motorized pathway along US-2 at the north end of town which will help connect Escanaba to the adjacent communities of Wells, Escanaba Township and the City of Gladstone. The North City Limits Pathway will also connect Bay College, MTech Center, Bayside Soccer, Hannahville Ice and Turf Complex, U.P. State Fairgrounds and numerous businesses. The North City Limits Pathway will enable pedestrians to safely traverse the city. The project is also supported by a Transportation Alternatives Program Grant through the Michigan Department of Transportation.</p>	City of Escanaba	Delta	787,300	487,300	300,000

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21.	<p>Rapid River Falls ORV/ATV Campground. Development of a 25-site semi-modern campground focused on serving ORV and ATV enthusiasts at Delta County's Rapid River Falls Park. The park will feature a beginner loop for families with youth that are just starting out in the sport. This ORV/ATV campground will be the first of its kind in the Upper Peninsula, attracting riders from throughout Michigan and beyond. This campground will act as a trailhead for regional DNR trail routes with connectivity to miles of riding opportunities across the U.P. The park also features a day-use picnic area overlooking scenic Rapid River Falls.</p>	Delta County	Delta	116,000	31,000	85,000
22.	<p>Belle Isle Park - Picnic Shelter Replacement. Development funding for the replacement of shelters 19 and 20 at Belle Isle Park in order to improve accessibility, safety and the quality of the recreation experience. Both shelters are located adjacent to a popular shoreline fishing area which is currently being renovated. The shelters are over 30-years-old and have reached the end of their useful life. The project will also include parking lot accessibility improvements, picnic tables, grills and routes from the parking areas.</p>	DNR-Parks and Recreation Division	Wayne	300,000	0	300,000
23.	<p>Palmer Park Inclusive Playground. Development project at Palmer Park to create an accessible walkway, paved ADA parking, unique universal access (UA) play equipment, sensory boards, UA benches and native plantings. The project will be first of its type in Port Huron and will compliment a current project underway that is creating a tike track, UA playhouses and nature play area for kids.</p>	City of Port Huron	St. Clair	105,000	55,000	50,000
24.	<p>Iron Belle Trail Bear River Bridge. Development of a pedestrian bridge for the North Country Trail/Iron Belle Trail connecting the trail through North Central Michigan College across the Bear River to the City of Petoskey's River Road Sports Complex.</p>	City of Petoskey	Emmett	166,000	83,000	83,000

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25.	Iron Belle Trail - Belleville to Heritage Park. Development of a half-mile of the Iron Belle Trail in Van Buren Charter Township. The ten-footwide trail will begin at Edgemont Street in the City of Belleville and travel east along Huron River Drive to Martinsville Road which connects to Riggs Heritage Park. This park will serve as a trailhead for the Iron Belle Trail. The project will include tree planting along the trail.	Van Buren Charter Township	Wayne	400,000	100,000	300,000
26.	East Clarkston Road Pathway - M-24 to Paint Creek. Development of approximately one mile of trail along the south side of East Clarkston Rd from M-24 (Lapeer Road) to connect to the Paint Creek Trail near Kern Rd. This project will fill a critical gap in the Iron Belle Trail route, to connect the Polly Ann Trail with the Paint Creek Trail. The ten-foot-wide pathway will include sections of fourteen-foot-wide boardwalk over wetlands and will meander through forested DNR property before finally crossing over the Paint Creek to connect to the Paint Creek Trail. The project is also supported by a Transportation Alternatives Program Grant through the Michigan Department of Transportation.	Orion Charter Township	Oakland	2,894,900	2,594,900	300,000
27.	Iron Belle Trail - Richfield County Park. Development of a 1.36-mile section of the Iron Belle Trail in Genesee County from its current end point at Irish Road, south of the Flint River, going east along the Flint River, through Richfield County Park. This section of the trail will provide non-motorized access to the outdoor recreation opportunities provided by the park's facilities, including unlimited shorefishing, playscapes, a popular canoe/kayak launch and restrooms.	Genesee County	Genesee	617,200	317,200	300,000

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28.	Iron Belle Trail - Carp River Bridge Replacement. Development to replace the Carp River bridge on the Iron Belle Trail, which is also part of the North Country National Scenic Trail. The Iron Belle Trail is a hiking trail that runs from Detroit to Ironwood. The existing trail runs through existing state forest property located just south of Mackinaw City in Emmet County. This project will replace the existing bridge with one possessing the structural integrity needed to ensure the safety of trail users. The bridge will be designed to meet all current state and federal standards.	DNR-Parks and Recreation Division	Emmett	140,000	0	140,000
29.	Point Abbaye Natural Area Pathway & Picnic Improvements. Development project at Baraga County's Point Abbaye Natural Area to create a barrier-free pathway from the existing parking area out to the point. Point Abbaye is a remote and rocky peninsula situated between Lake Superior and Keweenaw Bay. The project will develop four new picnic sites with tables and grills along the pathway. The site also features accessible and primitive tent camping opportunities.	Baraga County	Baraga	66,000	16,500	49,500
30.	Paint Creek Junction Park Northern Trailhead Development. Development of the Northern Trailhead for the Paint Creek Trail in Oakland Township will provide a new access point, parking and rest facilities for trail users including pedestrians, cyclists, skiers, and equestrians. The Paint Creek Trail is part of the statewide Iron Belle Trail system. This project will include a 35-space parking lot, 12' wide access pathway to the main trail, two unisex universal-access vault toilets and an accessible well for potable water. Other improvements include a picnic area, native plantings and signage. The parking area will also accommodate horse trailers.	Oakland Charter Township	Oakland	304,600	76,200	228,400

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31.	<p>Palms Book State Park - Raft Canopy Replacement. Palms Book State Park is home to one of Michigan's most alluring natural attractions - Kitch-itiki. Two hundred feet across and 40-feet deep, Kitch-iti-kipi is Michigan's largest freshwater spring. More than 10,000 gallons per minute gush from fissures in the underlying limestone at a constant 45 degrees Fahrenheit. A self-guided raft experience allows guests to view the spring's crystal-clear waters and resident fish species. Several rafts have serviced Kitch-iti-kipi over the years. The current raft was installed in 2004 with funding from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund. The shade canopy on the raft is comprised of canvas material over an aluminum frame and is in need of replacement. This project will replace the canopy to ensure a quality experience for visitors to this extremely popular tourist destination.</p>	DNR-Parks and Recreation Division	Schoolcraft	50,000	0	50,000
32.	<p>Rustic Campground Development. Development of a small rustic campground at Fork Township Park located on M-66 just north of the Village of Barryton. Future plans for the park include hiking and biking trails, a trailhead for the proposed trail from Barryton to the Pere Marquette Rail Trail and a BMX biking course.</p>	Fork Township	Mecosta	71,500	21,500	50,000
33.	<p>Fayette Historic State Park - Visitor Center Accessibility. The A. Gene Gazlay Visitor Center at Fayette Historic State Park is popular for park visitors that come for the Fayette historic townsite. The visitor center provides interpretation and tells the story of the abandoned iron smelting town. The Visitor Center is accessed by an existing concrete pathway from the parking lot, which has exceeded its useful life and is in need of ADA-compliant accessibility enhancements. This project will replace the existing pathway, install an accessible ramp and striping at the parking lot and also improve the landing immediately adjacent to the visitor center entrance to eliminate existing trip hazards.</p>	DNR-Parks and Recreation Division	Delta	50,000	0	50,000

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34.	Paint River Access Site Improvements. Development of a new accessible launch site on the Bates-Crystal Falls Township Paint River Water Trail. The project includes accessible parking, vault toilets, an accessible paddle craft launch, an accessible camp site, and other improvements to the waterfront area to enhance access to the river. Development of three additional rustic campsites, including a vault toilet, are also planned upstream of the accessible launch.	Bates Township	Iron	\$84,000	\$25,200	\$58,800
Development Project Summary						
				\$540,000	\$0	\$540,000
State of Michigan Ownership (4 Projects)						
Local Government Ownership (30 Projects)				<u>\$17,353,900</u>	<u>\$10,500,500</u>	<u>\$6,853,400</u>
TOTAL:				\$17,893,900	\$10,500,500	\$7,393,400
<u>ACQUISITION & DEVELOPMENT PROJECT SUMMARY</u>						
				\$7,824,600	\$640,000	\$7,184,600
State of Michigan Ownership (12 Projects)						
Local Government Ownership (52 Projects)				\$34,081,500	\$15,222,100	\$18,859,400
TOTAL:				\$41,906,100	\$15,862,100	\$26,044,000

Source: Department of Natural Resources Program Statements