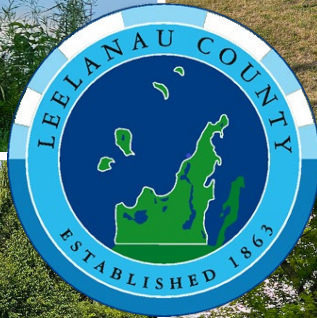


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1 INTRODUCTION

Parks, recreation and open space are important elements of all communities and reflect positively on the quality of life for residents. In recent years, a more holistic approach to recreational planning has been encouraged, stretching beyond the boundaries of traditional parks to include sidewalks, linear trails, greenways, town squares, plazas and other publicly and privately owned lands. A variety of indoor facilities also serve the recreational and social needs of the public. In addition to the human benefits of recreation and open space, there are also important environmental benefits; such as water resource protection, reduced vehicular traffic and plant and wildlife protection.

PLAN PURPOSE

The 2025 Leelanau County Community Parks and Recreation Plan has been prepared as a guide for future decision making concerning recreational facilities and services. This Plan presents an evaluation of the County’s recreation opportunities and needs. It considers the existing facilities in and around the County, the anticipated demand for additional or improved facilities, and the means for providing those facilities over the upcoming five-year period.

Leelanau County regularly updates the Plan both to reflect the changed needs and goals of the community, and to meet the Michigan Department of Natural Resource’s requirements for qualifying for Federal and State funding assistance. These funds are available for land acquisition and facility development and improvements to new and existing parklands. Eligibility under this 2025 Community Parks and Recreation Plan will be in effect for five years. It is recommended, however, that the Plan be reviewed and updated, as necessary, every year to reflect



the changing needs of the community. This will also help assure that the capital improvement schedule reflects the actual budget and grant funding schedule.

PLAN SCOPE

The scope of this plan includes the County’s active and passive recreation facilities, undeveloped open space and linear “green” corridors. Recreational programming is also an important consideration. The area of the plan is essentially limited to the County boundaries. However, consideration is also given to neighboring municipal facilities and regional facilities that influence use patterns. In terms of time, the Capital Improvement Schedule of this document covers development over the next five years. However, the Goals and Objectives developed to guide recreation planning may continue to be relevant for many more years to come.

The mission of the Leelanau County Parks and Recreation Commission is... (to be updated)

Adopted:



2 COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

Leelanau County was established in 1863 and is one of 83 counties in the State of Michigan. The County is located in the northwestern portion of Michigan’s lower peninsula – “the Little Finger”. The County itself is a peninsula surrounded by Lake Michigan, with the east side of the County bordering the west arm of Grand Traverse Bay and Lake Michigan.

Leelanau County is well recognized throughout the State of Michigan and the United States as an area of significant natural beauty. The County’s unique accessibility to Lake Michigan, the presence of a major national park and state park, relative isolation as a peninsula, and a sought-after rural, small town character have contributed to its desirability as both a place to visit and to live.

Leelanau County and the surrounding area was first occupied by Native Americans. The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians is a sovereign nation within the borders of the County, owning approximately 627 acres. (Source: Wikipedia.org).

The County borders with Benzie County on the south side and Grand Traverse County/ City of Traverse City on the south and east sides. The local governments in the County include the eleven (11) townships of Bingham, Centerville, Cleveland, Elmwood, Empire, Glen Arbor, Kasson, Leelanau, Leland, Solon, and Suttons Bay; the incorporated villages of Suttons Bay, Northport, and Empire; and a portion of Traverse City.

The major population and settlement areas continue to be Greilickville, Suttons Bay, Peshawbestown, Omena, Northport, Leland, Empire, Glen Arbor, Burdickville, Maple City and Cedar. A small portion of Traverse City is located in the southeastern corner of the town of Lake Leelanau on Grand Traverse Bay. Traverse City serves as the regional center for the area.



Leelanau County has 347 square miles in land area and 2,185 square miles of water. The County is a mixture of orchards, farms, forests, moraines/drumlins, valleys, sand dunes, wetlands, rivers, lakes, bays, villages, residential pockets, and resorts. The settlement pattern of the non-tribal population was agriculture.

Area defined:

- Total 2,532 sq mi (6,560 km²)
- Land 347 sq mi (900 km²)
- Water 2,185 sq mi (5,660 km²) 86%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leelanau_County, MI](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leelanau_County,_MI)





SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS

POPULATION

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates the population of the Leelanau County (V2022) at 22,870 up 1.025% from the 2020 estimate base.

Table 2.1 Population (Source: U.S. Census Bureau)

| | 2000 | 2010 | 2020 |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Leelanau County | 21,257 | 21,428 | 21,743 |
| Grand Traverse County | 78,004 | 86,975 | 93,592 |

MEDIAN AGE

While the overall population is the most important consideration, there are other characteristics to consider when planning for a community’s recreation. The age distribution of a community influences the types of facilities and programs needed. Table 2-2 shows that the County’s median age is higher than State average. 32.4% of the population is 65 year or older with 18.7% are 65 years or older in the State of Michigan.

Table 2.2 Median Age (Source: Data USA)

| | 2021 |
|-----------------|------|
| Leelanau County | 55.2 |
| Michigan | 39.8 |



AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE

The U.S. Census Bureau recorded 15,421 households in the Leelanau County (2020 Decennial Census) with an average of 2.80 person per household.

INCOME, POVERTY AND EMPLOYMENT

Year-round Leelanau County households had a median income of \$82,345 up +/- \$4,381 from previous census data. This is compared to the median household income in Michigan being \$66,986 in 2022

Source: U.S. Census Bureau ACS 2022

PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The disability status of a population will be especially significant when considering recreational needs for a community. With 13.9% of Leelanau County's population affected by some form of disability, these individuals will have difficulty participating in recreational programs, accessing facilities or even getting to designated public areas. Understanding the disability community of Leelanau County will assist decision-makers in determining programs and appropriate locations for recreational activities. With the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), all areas of public service and accommodation became subject to barrier-free requirements, including parks and recreation facilities and programs.



TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

The primary mode of transportation for residents within the County is by automobile via a connection of state and county highways. The Michigan State Highways include M-22, that parallels the shoreline on both the east and west sides of the county; M-72, which connects Traverse County on the east to Empire on the west; M-204, which connects Leland to Suttons Bay over the Lake Leelanau Narrows; M-109, which extends just north of Empire through Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore to Glen Arbor; and M-201, in the Village of Northport. These trunk lines are maintained by the Michigan Department of Transportation through a contract with the Leelanau County Road Commission. In addition, there are many County roads throughout the area that are maintained by the Road Commission. There is also a ferry service that operates from spring to fall out of Leland to North and South Manitou Islands.

The Bay Area Transportation Authority (BATA) based in Traverse County offers regional bus transportation opportunities by individual reservations and the Suttons Bay Loop. The Suttons Bay Loop is a fixed route service for the rural villages in Leelanau County. This service operates seven days a week to provide rural communities convenient, predictable, and affordable transportation.

There are two off-road, non-motorized transportation through-fares in Leelanau County which are the Leelanau Trail that is part of the Traverse Area Recreation and Transportation Trails, Inc. (TART Trails) and the Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail. The Leelanau Trail stretches over 15 miles through the last of the Leelanau County railway corridors, connecting Traverse County to Suttons Bay. The Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail is 20 miles end to end including a 3 mile route on the road through Glen Arbor. There are 5 miles remaining to complete the 27-mile trail.

Because of the scenic attributes, inherent beauty, and rural characteristics displayed along the Michigan State Highways of M-22, M-109, and M-204, these routes have been designated the **Leelanau Scenic Heritage Route**. The Route is a major artery of commerce for Leelanau County, a scenic corridor for viewing some of the most memorable vistas, and a gateway to the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.



Each highway of the Route provides the traveler, whether local resident or visitor, the opportunity to experience the many unique villages that are woven into the landscape of Leelanau County.

LAND USE

The Leelanau General Plan’s chapter on “Preservation of Peninsula Character” states that *“The existing natural and people-made features on the peninsula that make up its rural character are inter dependent with the activities that comprise its economic base. It is important therefore, that future land use changes on the peninsula enhance, not undermine the character of the area around it, and in so doing, contribute to the protection of the unique rural character of the entire Leelanau Peninsula.”*

In numerical terms, Leelanau County is nearly 21% agricultural land, 48% wooded land, 15% open land, 6% inland lakes/wetlands, 2% sand dune/barren land, and 8% urban land. (Land use/cover relationship in 2000.)

The current development pattern is characterized by the fragmentation of large agricultural or forested parcels into lots between 1 and 20 acres in size primarily for use as sites for single family homes. The Leelanau General Plan continues to promote and work towards a future of strong intergovernmental cooperation through education in an effort to balance growth in a manner that protects the natural features and preserves and enhances Leelanau County’s character while accommodating future growth and economic expansion.



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS & RESOURCE INVENTORY

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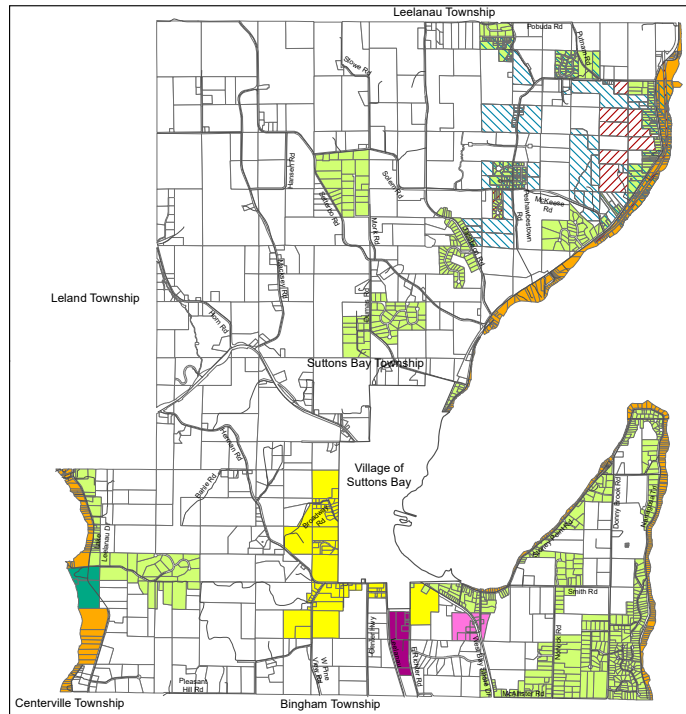
Leelanau County, Michigan has a continental climate with cold winters and warm summers. The average temperature ranges from 12 to 24 degrees Celsius (54 to 75 degrees Fahrenheit) throughout the year. Summers are usually sunny and mild with temperatures reaching up to 32 degrees Celsius (90 degrees Fahrenheit). Winters are often long and cold, and can drop as low as -17 degrees Celsius (1 degree Fahrenheit). The county receives an average of 82 cm (32 inches) of rain annually, most of which typically falls in spring and summer months. Leelanau County typically receives heavy snowfall. The proximity to Lake Michigan moderates temperature extremes while providing average annual snowfall of 125” to 145”.



LOCATION MAP



ZONING MAP - ADDITIONAL MAPS INCLUDED IN APPENDIX



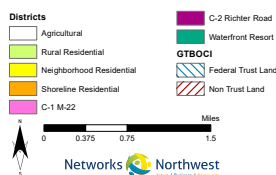
ZONING MAP

SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP,
LEELANAU COUNTY

DRAFT

Date | February 2020

Source | Leelanau County Equalization



The lines of this map are representational of the actual Township boundary and parcel lines and are not intended to be substituted for an official survey or used to resolve boundary or area discrepancies. Consult official Suttons Bay Township records for precise distances, boundaries or areas.

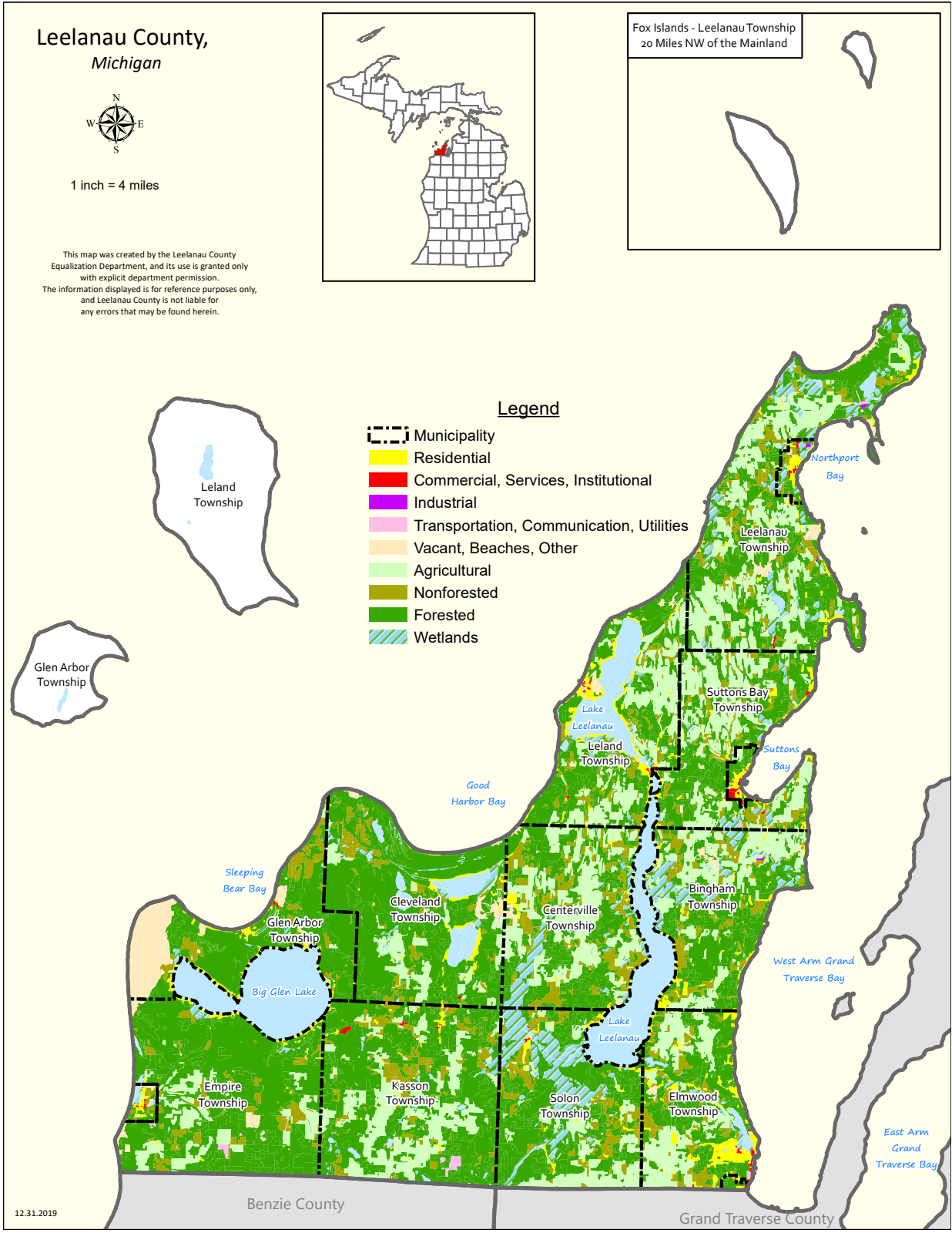
Federal Trust and Non-Trust Lands are under the jurisdiction of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

CERTIFICATION
I, Sandy VanHuysteen, Township Clerk, Suttons Bay Township, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the map adopted by the Township Board for Suttons Bay Township, Leelanau County, Michigan, as amended on the revision date noted.

Sandy VanHuysteen, Clerk, Suttons Bay Township,
Leelanau County, Michigan
Date: _____



LAND USE MAP





ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE 3

Recreation planning is a method for anticipating and arranging recreational improvements so that they may be implemented on a reasonable schedule and without an adverse effect on a community's administrative and financial structure. An effective recreation plan will recognize the practical relationship between a community's administrative structure and its ability to follow through on a recommended recreational improvement program.

The Leelanau County Organizational Chart can be found on the following page.



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

The Leelanau County Parks & Recreation Commission was created by County Board resolution #2003-007 on April 15, 2003, was authorized to provide recommendations and guidance regarding policy issues associated with the parks and recreation facilities and programs in Leelanau County.

The Commission consists of up to 10 volunteer members appointed by the County Board of Commissioners, all with varying term lengths. There are member representatives from the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners, the Road Commission, the Drain Commissioner, the Planning Commission, and appointed citizens.

This interrelationship of membership provides a direct linkage between the public bodies as well as providing a wealth of information from which to draw upon. They typically meet once a month and are guided in their actions by an adopted set of bylaws. The County Maintenance Department provides staff for park development and maintenance.

The Leelanau County Parks and Recreation Commission is composed of 10 members.

- Charles Godbout, Chairman
- Casey Noonan, Vice Chairman
- Steve Christensen, Secretary
- John Arens
- Don Frerichs
- Melinda Lautner
- John Popa
- Kama Ross
- Jon Walter
- Keith Beduhn



PARK EXPENDITURES

PARK AND RECREATION 2025 BUDGET

An annual operating budget for operation and maintenance of the County recreational facilities is approximately \$226,761.00. Please see Appendices for Department 850756 Parks and Recreation Budget sheets.

RECREATIONAL PROGRAMING

The Parks and Recreation Commission works with the school districts and 4-H groups for use of the Myles Kimmerly and 4-H Park for soccer leagues, baseball leagues, and agricultural activities. Myles Kimmerly and the 4-H Park are close to the Glen Lake Community Schools. The Commission also worked with the Leelanau Conservancy on the acquisition of the Veronica Valley Park due to its location in the Lake Leelanau Watershed, and the stream and wetlands that are within the property.

RECREATIONAL TRENDS

The 10 most common park features in 2023 include: playgrounds (83.7% of park respondents have playgrounds); park shelters such as gazebos and picnic shelters (80.7%); park restroom structures (79.3%); outdoor sports courts for sports like basketball, tennis and, of course, pickleball (73.6%); walking and hiking trails (71.2%); bleachers and seating (70.4%); natural turf sports fields (69.6%); open spaces like gardens and natural areas (67.9%); concession areas (63.3%); and classrooms and meeting rooms (62.5%). Classrooms and meeting rooms rose into the top 10, switching places with community or multipurpose centers.

The most commonly planned program additions in 2023 for parks include: 1. Teen programming (up from No. 5) 2. Environmental education programs (no change) 3. Educational programs (up from No. 8) 4. Programs for active older adults (did not appear in the top 10 for parks in 2022) 5. Fitness programs (down from No. 1) 6. Arts and crafts (did not appear in 2022) 7. Group exercise programs (down from No. 4) 8. Adult sports teams (down from No. 7) 9. Mind-body balance programs



such as yoga (down from No. 3) and 10. programs (down from No. 9)

ROLE OF VOLUNTEERS

Throughout the year, the parks have received donations from volunteers in time and money to assist with specific park projects or for maintenance and repairs. An example of effective volunteer support outside of the Parks and Recreation Commission is the Glen Lake Woman’s Club, which maintains and schedules the use of the Old Settlers Park Chapel.





4 RECREATION INVENTORY

EXISTING RECREATION INVENTORY

In order to determine the recreational needs for Leelanau County, an analysis of the existing facilities was undertaken. The intent of the analysis is to provide a clear evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of the existing recreational opportunities the County has to offer its citizens. The inventory is based on information provided by County staff and site inspections carried out by MCSA Group as part of the planning process.



COUNTY PARK AND OPEN SPACE FACILITIES

The county park properties all fall under the classification of neighborhood and community parks. This classification is adapted from “Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines,” J. D. Mertes and J. R. Hall, 1995, as recommended by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. A more detailed description and photographic inventory of each site follows. An existing recreation facilities matrix provides a summary of the facilities provided at each location.



ACCESSIBILITY

An accessibility assessment of each facility was undertaken using the following ranking system for the site elements based upon the 2010 Standards for Accessible Design:

- 1 - NONE
- 2 - SOME
- 3 - MOST
- 4 - ALL
- 5 - THE FACILITY MEETS THE PRINCIPALS OF UNIVERSAL DESIGN

Equitable Design, Flexibility in Use, Simple and Intuitive Use, Perceptible Information and Tolerance for Error, Low Physical Effort and Size and Space for Approach and Use

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Neighborhood parks remain the basic unit of the park system and serve as the recreational and social focus of neighborhoods. This type of park typically serves a ¼- to ½-mile distance and is uninterrupted by nonresidential roads and other physical barriers. A size of 5-10 acres is considered optimal for this type of park. The focus is on informal active and passive recreational activities, such as walking, field games, court games, playground equipment, and picnicking. The County has one neighborhood park.

COMMUNITY PARKS

Community-wide parks serve a broader purpose than neighborhood parks and provide a range of facilities and areas capable of supporting structured and unstructured community participation. These areas are typically between 30 and 50 acres in size and serve two or more neighborhoods within a half to three-mile distance. Facilities may include wooded or natural areas, picnic shelters and grills, bike or hiking trails and other semi-active and passive uses for large groups of people.



COMMUNITY PARKS CONTINUED

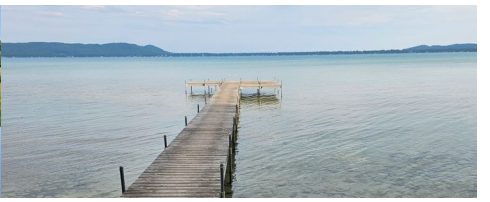
They may also contain specialized recreational facilities such as swimming pools, community centers and lighted ball diamonds. Community parks should be easily accessible from throughout their service area. Currently there are two County parks classified within this category.

SPECIAL USE FACILITIES

The Special Use classification covers a broad range of parks and recreation facilities oriented toward single-purpose use. Special uses generally fall into three categories:

- **Historic/Cultural/Social Sites:** Unique local resources offering historical, educational, and cultural opportunities. Examples include historic downtown areas, performing arts parks, arboretums, ornamental gardens, performing arts facilities, indoor theaters, churches, public buildings, and amphitheaters.
- **Recreation Facilities:** Specialized or single purpose facilities. Examples include community centers, senior centers, community theaters, hockey arenas, marinas, golf courses, and aquatic parks.
- **Outdoor Recreation Facilities:** Examples include tennis centers, softball complexes, sports stadiums.

Recreation needs, community interests, the type of facility, and land availability are the primary factors influencing location. Special use facilities should be viewed as strategically located community-wide facilities rather than as serving well-defined neighborhoods or areas. Where feasible, a geographically central site is optimal. The site should be easily accessible from arterial and collector streets, where feasible. Facility space requirements are the primary determinants of site size. The County has one facility that fits into this classification.





MYLES KIMMERLY PARK



**COMMUNITY PARK /
SPECIAL USE FACILITY**
107 ACRES

Address
1110 W Burdickville Rd.

Leelanau County had purchased the Dr. Burke Farm in 1901 and established it as the “poor farm” when the State of Michigan mandated that each county must care for the health and welfare of its impoverished residents. The original barn had burned down in 1911, but architect Jens C. Petersen designed a replacement barn which still stands today as a historic landmark and testament to the county’s commitment to helping those in need. The remaining park land was developed by the Cedar/Maple City Lions Club in 1974 and provides opportunities for team and individual sports, group gatherings, and nature experiences.

Amenities:

Sand volleyball court, basketball court, playground, tennis courts, picnic shelters, restroom building, ball fields, soccer fields, disc golf course, golf range, 4H building and arenas, produce garden, and Poor Farm Barn.

Events:

Soccer, baseball and softball tournaments, disc golf leagues, 4H, archery, compost demonstration.

Accessibility Rating: 2

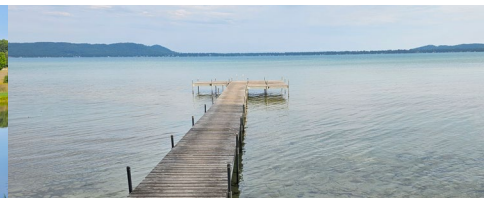
Accessibility Improvements:

Walkways and parking need to be replaced to be universally accessible.

Condition:

Park is in good condition.

NOTE: This is park #1 on Figure #7, Park Location Map (page 35).



MYLES KIMMERLY PARK AMENITIES



Tennis Courts



Sand Volleyball Court / Basketball Court



Soccer Fields



Disc Golf



Playground



Picnic Shelters



MYLES KIMMERLY PARK AMENITIES



Golf Range



Produce Garden



Restroom Building



Storage Building



Barn



Historic Sign



VERONICA VALLEY PARK



COMMUNITY PARK
93 ACRES

Address
4341 S Lake Leelanau Dr.

The Veronica Valley Park property was formerly a family-operated, nine-hole golf course. Leelanau County acquired the park in 2008, and in 2016 the county commissioned planning and design work to propose improvements to the park to implement more passive recreation activities and improved accessibility for users.

Amenities:

Parking, fishing ponds, playground, porta-potty pad, and 3-miles of mowed walking/snowshoe/cross country ski trails.

Events:

Kids fish day (collaboration with County Parks and Recreation, Lake Leelanau Lake Association, Cedar Rod and Gun Club and Cherryland rural electrical co-op), fish plantings, high school cross-country meets and local school field trips.

Accessibility Rating: 2

Accessibility Improvements:

Pathways around pond and access to pond.

Condition:

Park is in good condition.

NOTE: This is park #62 on Figure #7, Park Location Map (page 35).



VERONICA VALLEY PARK AMENITIES



Kiosk



Playground



Porta-Potty on Concrete Pad



Picnic Area



VERONICA VALLEY PARK AMENITIES



Gravel Pathway to Ponds



Front Pond



Footbridge



Back Pond



OLD SETTLERS PARK



NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

6.5 ACRES

Address

8854 S Dunns Farm Rd.

Residents of the logging community of Burdickville held a picnic on August 2, 1893, to honor two elderly pioneers, Kasson Freeman and John Fisher. High attendance at this first picnic inspired the organizers to hold one annually. The county purchased the parcel in 1912 for a permanent picnic grounds of the Old Settlers Picnic, which people come from miles around to attend each year.

Amenities:

Playground, gazebo, restroom building, chapel, picnic area, fire pit, overlook deck, seasonal dock, gravel boat launch, grub shack, bench seating, parking, and native plantings.

Events:

Old Settlers Annual Picnic, Fabulous Horndogs concert, 4th of July flag raising

Accessibility Rating: 2

Accessibility Improvements:

Improvement to achieve accessibility to and around the playground, walkways, water access, picnic and grilling areas.

Condition:

Park is in good condition.

NOTE: This is park #2 on Figure #7, Park Location Map (page 35).



OLD SETTLERS PARK AMENITIES



Picnic Area



Firepit



Historic Sign



Chapel



OLD SETTLERS PARK AMENITIES



Playground



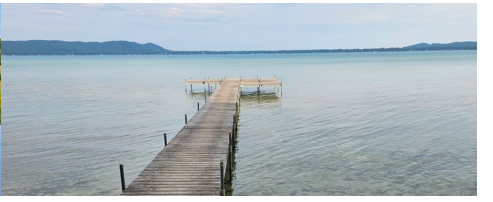
Grub Shack



Non-Motorized Boat Launch



Seasonal Dock



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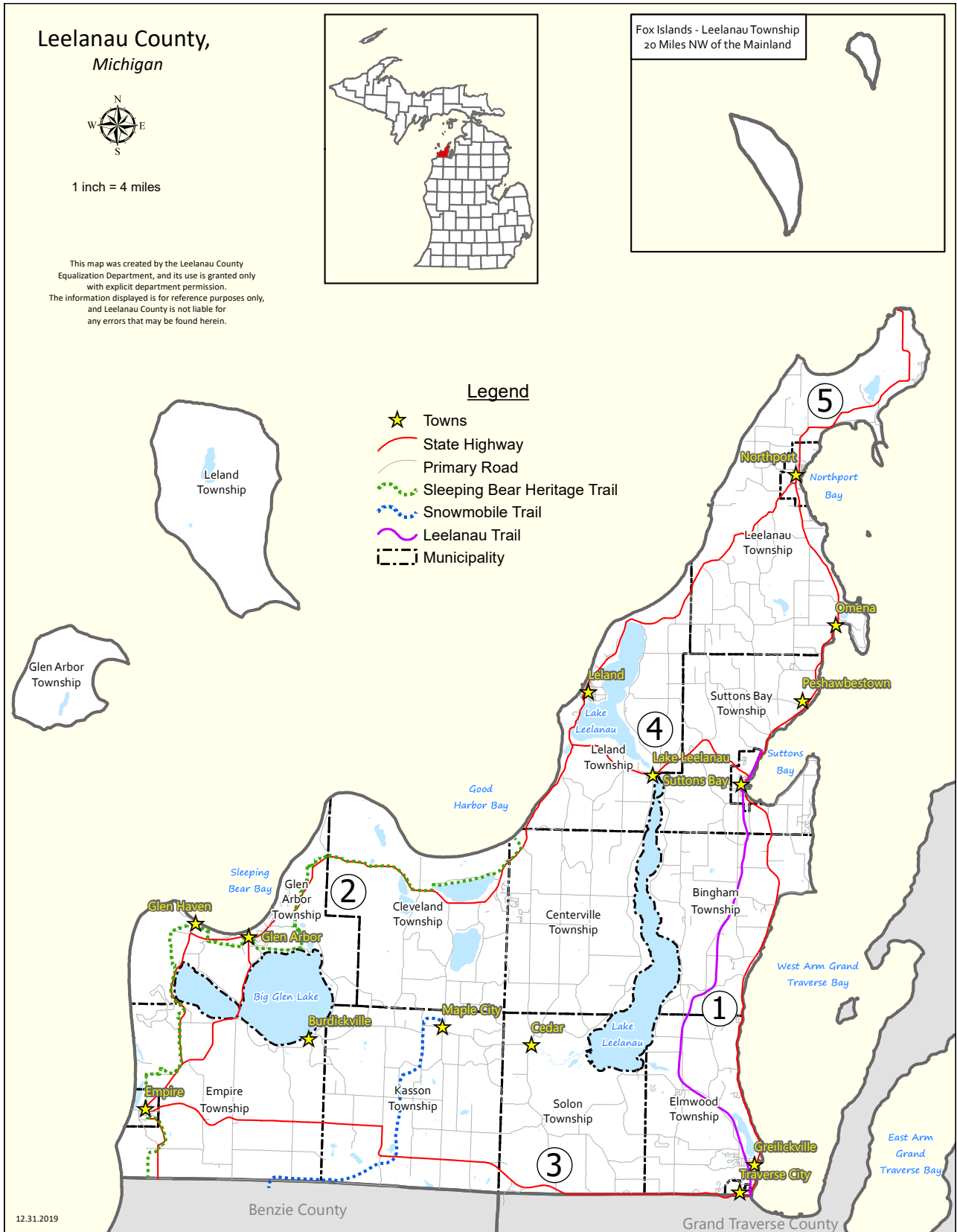


PARK AMENITIES / STANDARDS AND DEFICIENCIES

| RECREATION SITES | | Baseball/Softball | Basketball Courts | Non-Motorized Boat Launch | Cooking Grills | Fishing | Nature Trails | Pickleball Courts | Picnic Area | Playground | Restroom/Toilet | Skateboard Park | Shelter | Soccer Field | Swimming | Tennis Courts | Volleyball | Ice Skating Rink | Sledding Hill | Dog Friendly | Equestrian Trail | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|--------------|----------|---------------|------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|--|
| Name | Location | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Myles Kimmerly Park | 1110 W Burdickville Rd. | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | | | 2 | | | | | X | |
| Veronica Valley Park | 4341 S Lake Leelanau Dr. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X | |
| Old Settlers Park | 8854 S Dunns Farm Rd. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



MULTI-USE AND SNOWMOBILE TRAILS





SCENIC HERITAGE ROUTE





SLEEPING BEAR HERITAGE TRAILS

SLEEPING BEAR HERITAGE TRAIL

SLEEPING BEAR DUNES NATIONAL LAKESHORE

ON-ROAD TRAIL: From S. Forest Haven to Crystal River Trailhead

LAKE MICHIGAN

TRAIL MAINTAINED WITH PRIVATE FUNDS BY:

Friends of Sleeping Bear Dunes

DONATIONS WELCOME!

TRAIL ETIQUETTE:

- Stay to right, alert others when passing on left
- Do not block trail when stopped—move to side
- Cyclists ride single file when other users are present
- Please wear a helmet for your safety
- Dispose all trash and animal waste in trash receptacles
- Stay on trail, respect plants and wildlife

LEGEND

TRAIL ACCESS INFORMATION

| | | | |
|---|--|---|--|
| SURFACE Paved Asphalt Compacted Crushed Stone No Obstructions | TREAD WIDTH Typical 10 feet Minimum 10 feet | GRADE Typical Less than 5%, Gentle, Rolling Maximum Up to 12%, Hills, Steep Slopes | CROSS SLOPE Typical Less than 2% Maximum 2% |
|---|--|---|--|

Approximate Distance Between Trailheads miles

TRAIL AMENITIES

| | | | |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| Accessible Restrooms | Picnic Area | Parking Area | Drinking Water |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|

TRAIL MAP



PARK LOCATION MAP

Leelanau County,
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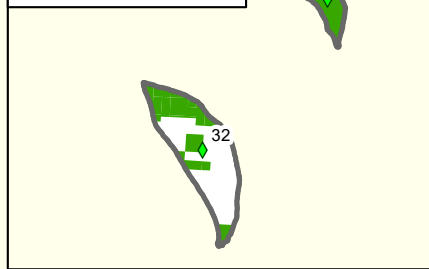


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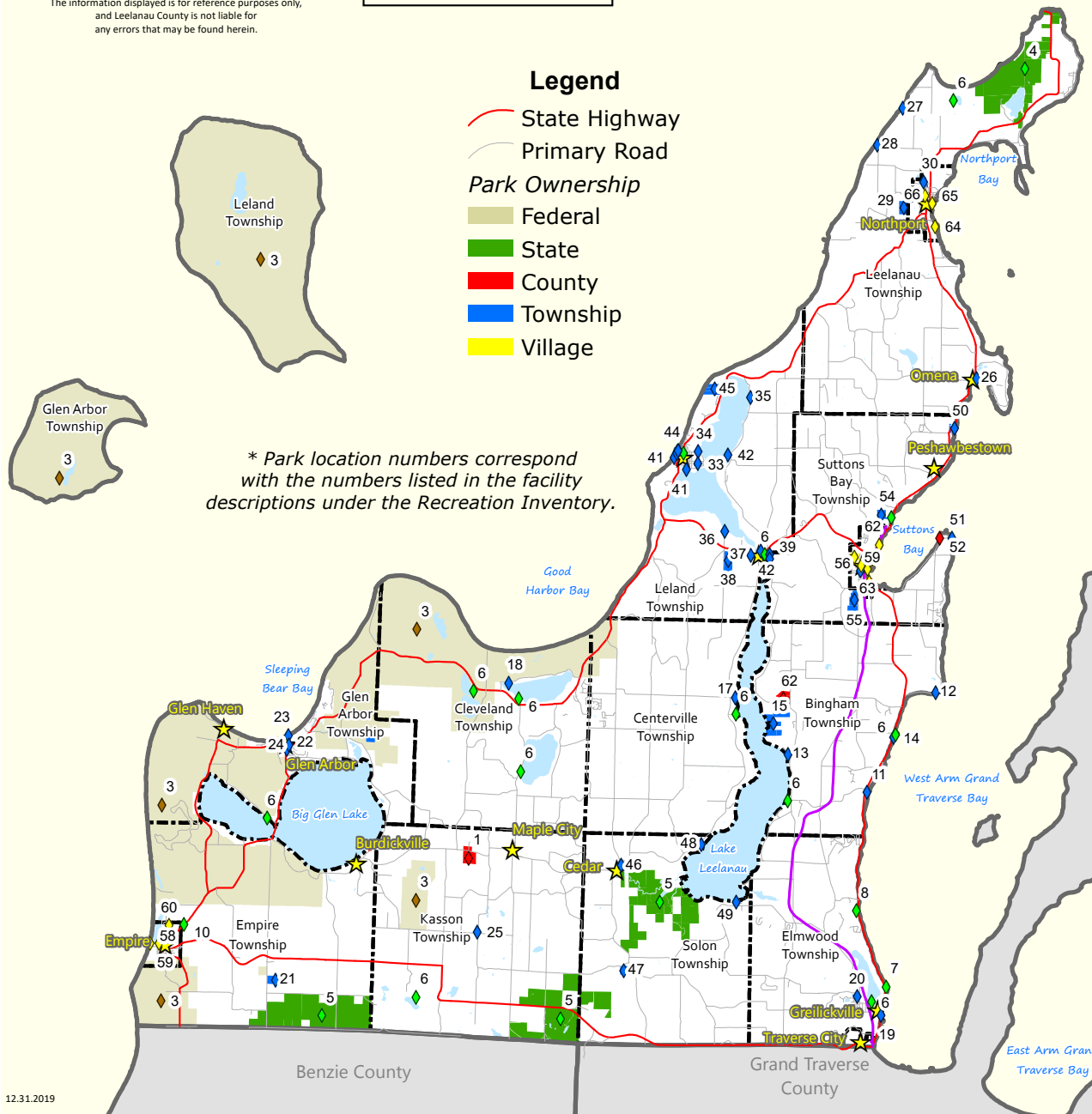
Fox Islands - Leelanau Township
20 Miles NW of the Mainland



Legend

- State Highway
- Primary Road
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* Park location numbers correspond with the numbers listed in the facility descriptions under the Recreation Inventory.



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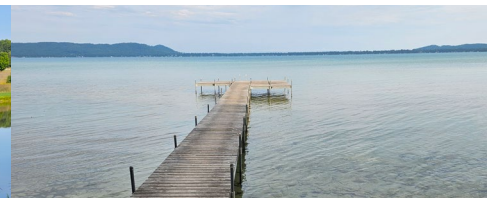


FEDERAL FACILITIES

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|--|--|--------|--|
| 3 - Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore | <p>35 miles of shoreline on Lake Michigan; inland lakes; dune formations; beaches; forests; rural historic farm district.</p> <p>Camping:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D.H. Day Campground • Group Campground • Rustic/Backcountry <p>Activities: hiking, swimming, hunting, cross-country skiing, driving tours, interpretive center with auditorium, interpretive programs, snowshoeing, birdwatching, wildflowers, scenic views; Port Oneida Rural Historic District</p> | 45,854 | <p>Southwest portion of Leelanau County</p> <p>South Manitou & North Manitou Islands</p> |

STATE FACILITIES

| MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES | | | |
|--|--|-------|--|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 4 - Leelanau State Park | <p>Grand Traverse Lighthouse and Museum; rustic campground with 42 campsites along Lake Michigan; two mini cabins (each with room to sleep four); a picnic pavilion with tables and outside grills; playground area; pit toilets; 8.5 miles of hiking trails, bird watching, cross country skiing, snowshoeing trails; designated areas of hunting; sand dunes; woodlands; an inland lake; an overlook of Lake Michigan and the Fox Islands; and a pristine section of the Cathead Bay/Lake Michigan shoreline</p> | 1,300 | <p>The Leelanau State Park features sand dunes and woodlands and is located at the extreme northern edge of the County, north of Northport near Woolsey Airport.</p> |

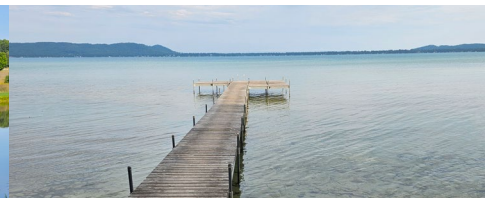


| MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES | | | |
|--|---|--|---|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 6 - Boat/Fishing Access Sites | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. South Lake Leelanau – east side 2. Cedar Lake boat launch 3. Leland River: boat launch, parking, picnic tables 4. South Lake Leelanau Narrows, boat launch, parking 5. Glen Lake 6. Grand Traverse Bay - boat launch, parking 7. South Lake Leelanau - West side boat launch, dock and parking | approximately ½ to 1 acre in size per site | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. West end of Bingham Road in Bingham Twp. 2. Off Cherry Bend Road in Elmwood Township 3. Leland in Leland Twp. next to the Bluebird. 4. Off Co. Rd. 641 in Suttons Bay Twp. 5. At Day Forest Road and M-22 in Glen Arbor Twp. 6. At Hilltop Rd. in Bingham Township 7. 1 Mile south of Hohnke Rd. on CR 643 |

| MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|----------|---|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 7 - Roadside Park | Access to West Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan | | West Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan off of M-22 in Elmwood Township |
| 8 - Roadside Park | Picnic table; access to West Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan | | West Grand Traverse Bay off M-22 near Crain Hill Road in Bingham Township |
| 9 - 45th Parallel Park | Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan; water access, swimming, picnic table | 1.5 | M-22 north of the Village of Suttons Bay in Suttons Bay Township |
| 10 – Scenic Overlook | Picnic tables | | North of Empire on the west side M-22 in Empire Township |
| Leelanau Scenic Heritage Route | Driving tours; scenic views; agri-tourism; villages, historical sites | 60 miles | County wide: M-22, M-109, M-204 |

TOWNSHIP FACILITIES

| BINGHAM TOWNSHIP | | | |
|-------------------|---|-------|-----------------------------------|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 11 - Boughey Park | West Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan frontage; swings, picnic tables, grills, pavilion | | East end of Bingham Road (CR 618) |



BINGHAM TOWNSHIP

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|---|---|-------|---|
| 12 - Hendryx Park | Leased from the Leelanau County Road Commission for 99 years; West Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan frontage/sandy shore, parking, grill, picnic table, restrooms | | Lee Point Road |
| 13 - Bingham Township Park | South Lake Leelanau frontage; swimming, picnic tables, grills, changing house, restroom facilities, basketball court, trash receptacles | | Park Road |
| 14 - Groesser Park | West Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan frontage; sandy shore, scenic view | | Off M-22 near Hilltop Road |
| 15 - Mebert Creek Natural Area | East shore of Lake Leelanau; wetlands that may be used for hiking and exploring | 155 | End of Donner Road |
| 16 - RexDobson Ruby Ellen Farm (501c.3) | Historic farm preservation cultural and historical site offering educational programs; gift shop; special events; National Register of Historic Places | 90 | Center Highway (CR 633) at Shady Lane Rd. |

CENTERVILLE TOWNSHIP

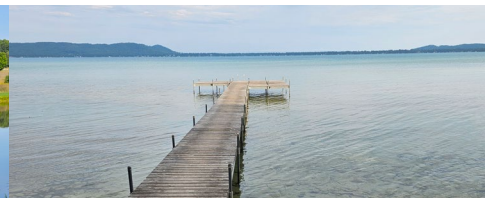
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|---|---|-------|-----------------------------|
| 17 - Centerville Township and Boat Launch | On Lake Leelanau; boat launch, dock, two pavilions with tables, porta-johns in the summer | | End of Hohnke Road (CR 620) |

CLEVELAND TOWNSHIP

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|------------------------------|--|-------|---|
| 18 - Cleveland Township Park | Little Traverse Lake access; picnic area | 2 | Northwest side of Little Traverse Lake Road |

ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|---------------------------------|--|-------|--|
| 19 - Greilickville Harbor Park | Marina with deep water launch capability, contracted and transient boat slips and buoys; beach area, covered picnic facilities with grills, playground equipment | 9 | West Grand Traverse Bay/ Lake Michigan off M-22 |
| 20 - Cherry Bend Community Park | Covered picnic facilities with grills, playground equipment, tennis courts, soccer, volleyball, baseball field | 14.5 | Cherry Bend Road (CR 633) and Lincoln Rd. by Township Hall |



EMPIRE TOWNSHIP

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|--|
| 21 - Empire Township Park | Picnic shelter, public campgrounds | 80 | County Road 677 south of M-72 and north of Beeman Road |

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|-------------------------------|--|-------|--|
| 22 - Glen Arbor Township Park | 1 full and 2 half Basketball courts, 4 tennis courts, 3 pickleball courts, outdoor exercise equipment, 2 picnic pavilion areas, accessible children's playground, public restroom, and walking trail | | Southeast corner of State Street and M-22 |
| 23 - Glen Arbor Boat Ramp | Boat launch | | Lake Michigan at the end of Manitou Blvd. |
| 24 - Garden Park | Restrooms; information kiosk (seasonal); native planting gardens; donor brick walks and sitting areas | | Lake St. off M-22 in the business district |

KASSON TOWNSHIP

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|--|
| 25 - Kasson Township Park | Playground, tot lot, picnic area | | At the Township Hall on Kasson Center Road and Newman Road |

LEELANAU TOWNSHIP

| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
|--------------------------|---|-------|------------------------------------|
| 26 - Omena Beach | Omena Bay of West Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan with 100 feet of sand beach; unsupervised swimming, playground area, picnic tables, a vault toilet | | Omena off M-22 on Omena Point Road |
| 27 - Christmas Cove Park | Lake Michigan with 200 feet of sand beach; unsupervised swimming; picnic tables, a vault toilet | | Christmas Cove Road |
| 28 - Peterson Park | | | |



| LEELANAU TOWNSHIP | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---------------|---|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 29 - Braman Hill Recreation Area | Scenic overlook, picnic tables, outdoor grills, fire pit, drinking fountains, tot lot, basketball courts, 4 tennis courts, skateboard park with 8 ramps and obstacles with 100 feet of quarter pipe, unsupervised lighted ice rink, sledding hill, warming room, handicap accessible restrooms; Northport Sportsman's Club Shooting Range | | West of Northport between Melkild and Johnson Roads |
| 30 - Buster Dame Recreation Field | 3 ball diamonds, 4 aluminum bleachers, concession stand, handicap accessible restrooms | | Village of Northport |
| 31 - North Fox Island | Currently operated by the Beaver Islands State Wildlife Research Area; Public 3,000 ft. turf airstrip (designation 6Y3) | 3.32 sq miles | NW of the tip of Leelanau County |
| 32- South Fox Island | 2/3 private - 1/3 public; no ferry service or docks; 5,500 ft. private runway; Historic S. Fox Island lighthouse operated by the Fox Island Lighthouse Assoc. (FILA); Hunting permitted on State land only; Historic cemetery (Source: Wikipedia.com) | 5.36 sq miles | NW of the tip of Leelanau County |

| LELAND TOWNSHIP | | | |
|--|---|-------|--|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 33 - Hancock Field | Softball and baseball diamonds, soccer fields, tennis courts, bleachers, skateboard ramps, grandstand, picnic pavilions, drinking water, parking, concession stands | | Union Street in Leland |
| 34 - Nedow's Bay and Bartholomew Park | Lake Leelanau beachfront, lifeguard, docks, grills, firepit, picnic table, boat launch | | East Foot of Pearl Street in Leland |
| 35 - John G. Suelzer East Leland Memorial Park | Boat launch, Lake Leelanau beachfront, parking, dock, picnic area, playground, grills, firepit | | County Road 641, East side of North Lake Leelanau at the end of Alper's Road |
| 36 - Schneider's Beach | Lake Leelanau, sandy beach, dock, parking, picnic area, grills, firepit, boat launch | | End of Popp Road west of Lake Leelanau Village |



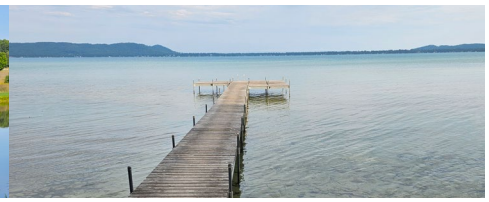
| LELAND TOWNSHIP | | | |
|--|--|-------|---|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 37 - Grove Park | Tennis courts, picnic tables, shelter, playground, parking, water, basketball court | | Gertrude Street south of M-204 in Lake Leelanau Village |
| 38 - Provemont Pond Recreation Area | Undeveloped woodland, fishing pond | 90 | Popp Road south of M-204 in Lake Leelanau Village |
| 39 - Lake Leelanau Baseball Diamond | Baseball field, dugout, parking, water | | County Road 641 south of M-204 in Lake Leelanau Village |
| 40 - Lake Michigan Beach Access Sites Road Ends | | | Leland Village |
| 41 - Lake Leelanau Access Sites (includes Leland River) Road Ends | | | Leland Village |
| 42 - Lake Leelanau Access Sites (includes Lake Leelanau Narrows) Road Ends | | | In or near Lake Leelanau |
| 43 - Leland Harbor | Harbor of refuge: accommodates approximately 70 small vessels (more if “rafting up” allowing for short stays); provides fuel and sewage services, local retail stores; boat launch ramp, a picnic area, playground, toilet, shower facilities, boat trailer parking; charter fishing boats; commercial fishing boats; commercial excursion boats and the National Lakeshore ferry concession to the Manitou Islands; will be expanded and improved | | At Lake Michigan in Leland |



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|------------------|--|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 44 - Fishtown | Purchased by the community nonprofit Fishtown Preservation Society, to be preserved for the public; historic fishing village; small shops | | Leland River out to Lake Michigan |
| 45 - Clay Cliffs | This 105-acre acquisition by Leland Township includes; hiking trails and observation lookout over Lake Michigan. Managed by the Leelanau Conservancy | 105 | M-22 North of the Village of Leland |

| SOLON TOWNSHIP | | | |
|------------------------------|--|-------|--|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 46 - Cedar Community Park | Baseball diamonds, tennis courts, river and playground area | | Cedar |
| 47 - Joe Vlack Memorial Park | Hiking, picnicking | | South Cedar Road (CR 651), 1/2 mile south of Alpine Road |
| 48 - Solon Park | Picnic tables, pavilion, dock, rustic boat launch | | CR 643 on Lake Leelanau |
| 49 - Perrins Landing | South Lake Leelanau - south side: dock, ample parking space, boat launch | | Off Fouch Road |

| SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP | | | |
|---------------------------|---|-------|---|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 50 - Graham Greene Park | Rocky beach frontage on Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan; swimming, picnicking, walking, grills, tables, toilets, wooded | 15 | M-22 north of Peshawbestown |
| 51 - Vic Steimel Park | Rocky beach frontage on Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan; swimming, picnicking, boat launching, grills, trash containers, picnic tables | 1 | Nanagosa Trail |
| 52 - Lover's Lane | Suttons Bay/Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan; 66 feet of frontage; swimming, water access | .3 | Lover's Lane (west end) |
| 53 - Lake Leelanau Access | Swimming, water access | .6 | South arm of Lake Leelanau; Old M-204 bridge abutment on CR 641 |



| SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP | | | |
|--|---|-------|--|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 54 - 45th Parallel Park | Plans to create walking and cross country skiing trails; picnic, scenic overlooks, shoreline access to Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan | 43 | M-22 north of Suttons Bay |
| 55 - Herman Park | Active recreation including soccer fields, disc golf, tennis courts (x4), pickleball courts (x2) and nature trails, paved accessible pathway around the fishing pond; ADA picnic pavilion, fishing dock; 60'x60' covered events pavilion; Two additional pickleball courts; 2020 improvements planned include: potable water well; grading, turf and irrigation upgrades for the soccer field; parking and site drainage improvements for use areas; Other activities to be enhanced include snowshoeing and cross country skiing; future UA restroom /concessions building | 126 | Off Herman Road and Center Highway (633) |
| 56 - Ice Rink Park (located within the Village limits) | Ice rink in the winter and an open park space in the other months | .5 | Corner of Broadway and Lincoln Streets |

VILLAGE FACILITIES

| VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------|---|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 57 - Water Wheel Park | Picnic tables, open field, bike rack, water wheel on creek; shared operations with Suttons Bay Township | .3 | St. Mary's Avenue |
| 58 - Sutton Park (South Shore Park) | Suttons Bay/Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan with 300 feet of shoreline: swimming, picnicking, bathroom, picnic shelter, playground | | South Shore Drive |
| 59 - Bahle Park | Sledding hill, nature trails, cross country skiing, warming and meeting house | 30 | West Street |
| 60 - North Park | Suttons Bay/Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan with 1,500 feet of frontage; boat launch, covered pavilion, bathroom, boat parking | 4.5 | East of the M-22 and M-204 intersection |



| VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--------------|--------------------------------|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 61 - Village Marina Park Complex | Suttons Bay/Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan with 3,000 feet of frontage; swimming, bath house, boating, walking paths and boardwalks, boat launch and docks (130), fishing, playground | 10 | End of Adams Street |
| 62 - Fairgrounds Recreation Area | Lighted and fenced fields, restrooms, bleachers, concession building, natural wooded area, parking | 4 | M-22 north off M-204 |
| 63 - Village Coal Dock | Fishing pier, boating, boardwalks, walking path, docking facilities for Inland Seas Education Association Program | 2 | Off of M-22 end of Dame Street |

| VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT | | | |
|------------------------------|--|--------------|-----------------|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 64 - Municipal Bathing Beach | Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan; playground area, volleyball court, pit toilets | | Shore Drive |
| 65 - Haserot Waterfront Park | Grand Traverse Bay/Lake Michigan; marina, picnic tables, grills, pier fishing, toilets, boat moorings, swimming, boat launch | | Rose Street |
| 66 - Mill Pond | Fishing | | Mill Street |
| 67 - Northport Creek | Nine Hole Public Golf Course | | 8th Street |

| VILLAGE OF EMPIRE | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------|---------------------|
| FACILITY | DESCRIPTION AND ACTIVITIES | ACRES | LOCATION |
| 68 - Lake Michigan Beach Park | Lake Michigan; pavilion, swimming, playground, lighthouse, restrooms, picnic grills, boat launches – South Bar Lake, Lake Michigan | | Lake Michigan Drive |
| 69 - James R. Johnson Memorial Park | Lion's Club; pavilion, restrooms, open space | | Reynolds Street |
| 70 - North Park | 2 ballfields (one lit field) with backstops and fenced outfields; 4 picnic grills, walking path, access path to the creek, children's play area, storage building, 2 restrooms, handicapped accessible restroom, tennis courts | | Off LaCore Street |



OTHER RECREATION PROVIDERS

LEELANAU TRAIL – TRAVERSE AREA RECREATION AND TRANSPORTATION TRAILS, INC. (TART)

Stretching over 15 miles through the last of the Leelanau County railway corridors, the Leelanau Trail connects Traverse County and Suttons Bay for walking, biking, in-line skating, cross country skiing, and dog sledding. The trail route features rolling hills, lush forests, picturesque orchards, peaceful meadows, and an aquatic medley of streams, lakes, and ponds. The Leelanau Trail is part of USBR 35.

LEELANAU CONSERVANCY

The Leelanau Conservancy is a 501 (c) 3 organization founded in 1988. We opened our doors with a big dream and a small group of individuals dedicated to the idea that the Leelanau Peninsula is a place that deserves our best efforts to protect its unique landscapes. We believed that with commitment and hard work, we could be successful in harnessing the love that people have for Leelanau to protect her forever. Thus the Leelanau Conservancy was born.

Since then, the Leelanau Conservancy has been devoted to protecting the land and water that make the Leelanau Peninsula one of the most unique and beautiful areas in the U.S. We have preserved over 16,000 acres and created 28 Natural Areas for public enjoyment with more than 28 miles of trails. We have also worked with over 190 landowners to protect family farms and cherished private lands with legal agreements called conservation easements. These agreements restrict development and protect the land's most important natural features.

For more information please visit the Conservancy website at <https://www.leelanauconservancy.org>.



| DATE ACQUIRED | PROPERTY OR PRESERVE NAME | LOCATION | ACRES |
|---------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 9/20/1990 | Leland Village Green | Leland | 1 |
| 12/17/1991 | Whittlesey Preserve | Suttons Bay | 20 |
| 4/26/1995 | Gull Island Bird Sanctuary | Northport | 7 |
| 1995 | Gull Island Preserve | Richland | 7 |
| 1/1/1996 | Whaleback Natural Area | Leland | 40 |
| 12/1/1996 | Leland River Preserve | Leland | 1 |
| 12/17/1996 | Mebert Creek-Greeno Preserve | Lake Leelanau | 21 |
| 1996 | Hall-Beach Van's Beach | Leland | 1.7 |
| 1999 | Nedows Bay | Leland | 163 feet |
| 5/10/2000 | Chippewa Run Natural Area | Empire | 110.01 |
| 12/1/2000 | Finton Natural Area | Northport | 35 |
| 5/1/2001 | Frazier Freeland Natural Area | Suttons Bay | 13 |
| 6/4/2004 | Lighthouse West Natural Area | Northport | 42 |
| 6/1/2006 | DeYoung Natural Area | Traverse County | 84 |
| 12/31/2007 | Krumwiede Forest Reserve | Maple County | 109.77 |
| 2008 | Jeff Lamont Preserve | Northport | 40 |
| 4/2/2011 | Swanson Preserve | Cedar | 96 |
| 6/13/2011 | Hatlem Creek Preserve | Glen Arbor | 20.05 |
| 1990 - 2010 | Kehl Lake Natural Area | Northport | 279 |
| 1990 - 2012 | Cedar River Preserve | Cedar | 440.18 |
| 1991 - 1997 | Belanger Creek Preserve | Suttons Bay | 67.75 |
| 1991 - 2008 | Soper Natural Area | Northport | 80 |
| 1996 - 2006 | Teichner Preserve | Cedar | 41.3 |
| 1998 - 2012 | Houdek Dunes Natural Area | Leland | 337.03 |
| 2013 | Clay Cliffs Natural Area | Leland | 104.5 |
| 2001 - 2010 | Narrows Natural Area | Lake Leelanau | 71.2 |
| 2016 | Palmer Woods Forest Reserve | Maple City | 1075 |
| 2019 | Stites Natural Area | Suttons Bay | 70 |

* For new properties and additional easements in Leelanau County since 2010, refer to the Leelanau Conservancy website and/or contact them.



OTHER FACILITIES/ACTIVITIES

Many other private facilities and activities occur in Leelanau County, which include the Cedar Rod and Gun Club, museums, nature centers, campgrounds, golf courses, downhill and cross country skiing, snowboarding and tubing, conservation clubs, horseback riding, fishing charters, and boat rentals. These can be found in the local phonebooks, websites, chambers of commerce, and visitors' bureaus. Hunting is available at different parks throughout the County. Please check with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and National Park Service for rules and regulations on hunting and fishing in each specific township for details.

RESOURCE INVENTORY

The natural resources of the Leelanau Peninsula are vital to the economic health and sense of well being of area citizens. These natural resources are interrelated biological systems and the primary environmental goal of the County is the protection of unique and sensitive lands and water resources from inappropriate and poorly designed development. This includes unique and prime agricultural lands, as well as sensitive environments like dunes, wetlands, and wildlife habitat.

Natural Resources:

Area in Water = 16,000 acres

Miles of Great Lakes/Lake Michigan Shoreline = 151

Forest Lands = 126,900 acres

Wetlands = 27,412 acres



5 PLANNING AND PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

RECREATION PLANNING

Recreation planning plays an important role in maintaining the quality of life in a community. If a community is to provide effective recreational opportunities, it needs a way of identifying and solving current problems and anticipating future needs. Recreation planning is one means of obtaining a perspective on these problems; developing realistic alternatives; formulating goals, policies, and recommendations for public and private decisions; developing criteria to measure change; and involving people in the planning, design and decision processes.

This Parks and Recreation plan presents an evaluation of the County’s recreational needs and opportunities. It considers the existing amenities in the County, the current and anticipated demand for additional or improved facilities, and the means for providing those facilities.

This plan is to serve as a guideline for directing the County in the operation and maintenance of existing and future facilities and programs to meet the recreational needs of its citizens. The plan summarizes long-term recommendations intended to guide the development of recreation opportunities and describes an action and capital improvement program for implementation over the next five years.



PLAN PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT

This 2025 Community Parks and Recreation Plan was developed by the County, with the assistance of MCSA Group, Inc, a park and recreation planning consultant. Staff met regularly with representatives of MCSA Group, between August 2024 and January 2025 for the development of this plan.

Criteria considered and evaluated for plan development evolved from the examination of goals and recreation standards determined through a wide variety of input sources. This information was collected from the inventory and review of existing facilities; the identification of recreation needs and deficiencies; public opinion; current statewide recreation issues and priorities; and future expectations.

Public input was sought through a survey held to solicit public desires and concerns regarding parks and recreation. The survey was advertised via email, the County website and social media. The survey was available on the internet via Survey Monkey. A total of 144 surveys were completed. The survey was well received and indicated a high level of satisfaction with the County’s Parks and Recreation system. Comments from the survey were incorporated into a final draft of the Plan. The public input schedule was as follows.

| Plan Process Timeline | |
|---|--|
| Release/Distribute Public Survey | September 12, 2024 |
| Survey Return Deadline | October 15, 2024 |
| Public Review <i>Draft of Final Plan available for 30-day Public Review as required by the DNR</i> | November 11, 2024 to December 11, 2024 |
| Public Hearing <i>Public Hearing & Adoption of Plan by County Board of Commissioners</i> | December 17, 2024 6:30pm |
| Plan Completion and DNR Submittal | February 1, 2025 |



PLAN PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT CONTINUED

The survey found that over half of the respondents had visited one or more of the county parks. Passive parks, biking/walking trails and natural areas/open spaces are a high priority. Respondents felt that the maintenance of the parks is their highest priority. Walking was the top ranked activity. Finally, the park maintenance was rated as good.

A summary of all the answers and comments from the public survey can be found in the appendices of this report.





RECREATION NEEDS AND DEFICIENCIES 6

This section of the plan identifies recreation deficiencies determined through a variety of means. Study methods include comparison to recreational standards for acreage and facilities, geographic distribution of existing facilities, direct input from the Leelanau County staff and representatives, and public input and participation. While each of these methods has its limitations, using a combination of methods will yield a more accurate assessment of recreational needs and deficiencies. The following is a brief description of each of the methods used.

RECREATION STANDARDS

While only a guide, recreation standards provide a benchmark for evaluating the relative adequacy or inadequacy of the County's recreation system. This plan has used as a guide the 1983 Recreation, Park, and Open Space, Standards and Guidelines and 1995 Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines published by the National Recreation and Park Association.

Typical recreation standards establish a certain number of activity-specific recreational facilities per 1,000 of population (e.g. 1 tennis court per 2,000 persons). Other standards establish a certain number of acres per 1,000 of population for different types of park facilities, such as neighborhood, community and regional parks. These standards are adapted to reflect the County's character and compared with the existing and projected population. This plan will combine both approaches to ascertain deficiencies in recreational facilities and acreage. The U.S. Census Bureau population estimate was used for the purposes of this study.



There are two basic types of recreational experiences: “active” and “passive.” “Active” recreation requires space and facilities capable of accommodating exertive activities. Such facilities include: sports fields, play apparatus areas, open areas, special facilities, such as pools and court areas, and areas for organized activities. On the other hand, “passive” recreation requires little more than space and furniture for quiet, non-exertive activities for limited numbers of users. Recreation areas must provide for both types of use and preferably include a variety of opportunities for each to respond adequately to a wide range of interests and age groups.

Parks are generally classified by purpose and area per population served. They range in type from mini-playlots and green areas to large regional and national parks.

RECREATION STANDARDS FOR ACREAGE

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Description

Neighborhood parks serve individual neighborhood populations as determined by the distance that can easily be traveled by local users for relatively short periods of recreation. Facilities provided in these parks are generally active in nature and include multipurpose open play areas for pick-up games, play apparatus, court areas, landscaping, site furnishings and possibly a shelter. Special areas for bike riding or specific court games may also be provided. Activities for all seasons should also be included.



Service Areas

The area served by neighborhood parks is generally considered to be a one quarter (1/4) mile to one half (1/2) mile radius in size and should be uninterrupted by non-residential roads or other physical barriers.

Neighborhood Park Acreage Standards

Nationally accepted standards for neighborhood parks recommend one or two (1-2) acres per 1,000 of population with five (5) acres as a minimum size and five to ten (5-10) acres optimal. It is recommended that the minimum of two (2) acres per 1,000 population be used as a guide for site selection.

Existing Neighborhood Recreation Acreage

Leelanau County currently has one (1) neighborhood park.

| Name | Existing Site Acreage |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Old Settlers Park | 6.5 acres |

Needs and Deficiencies:

The table below compares the 2022 County population to the recreation standard of two (2) acres per 1,000 persons.

| 2022 Population | Neighborhood Rec. Acreage Required | Neighborhood Rec. Acreage Available | Deficiency/Surplus |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 22,870 | 45.74 | 6.5 | -39.24 |

The use of the acreage standard must be coupled with a review of the location and accessibility of the existing recreation areas. Additionally, the recreational acreage should be accessible on foot without having to cross busy streets or negotiate physical barriers.



COMMUNITY PARKS

Description

Community-wide parks provide a range of facilities and areas capable of supporting organized community participation programs that would not be appropriate in neighborhood parks because of their average size or traffic volume generated. Facilities should be Centrally located, diverse enough to accommodate all age groups for both active and passive experiences and organized so that compatible uses relate to one another. Adequate parking and vehicular circulation is also important, since park users will generally arrive at these parks by vehicle. Lighted use areas significantly increase the recreational value of parks of this type. Typical facilities recommended for community parks include ball fields, open use areas, tennis courts, picnic areas, play apparatus areas, restrooms and shelters. Additional special facilities could include band shells, amphitheaters, swimming and wading pools, community-meeting buildings, skating facilities, bicycle courses and nature study areas.

As with neighborhood parks, it is often beneficial to develop community parks in conjunction with junior or senior high schools where practical because of the athletic fields and courts potentially available for public use. This arrangement assures the maximum level of use as well as the most practical expenditure of development funds.

Service Area

The area served by community-wide parks varies significantly from one municipality to another because of the distribution of population and related factors. However, a community park usually serves two or more neighborhoods in a half to three-mile radius.



COMMUNITY PARKS CONTINUED

Community Park Acreage Standards

The size of a community park varies according to the desired uses but is usually between 30 and 50 acres. It is recommended that a range of five (5) to eight (8) acres per 1,000 population be used as a standard basis for development.

Existing Community Recreation Acreage

Leelanau County has two (2) parks which would fall within the Community Park classification.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Existing Site Acreage</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Myles Kimmerly Park | 107 acres |
| Veronica Valley Park | 68 acres |
| Total | 175 acres |

Needs and Deficiencies:

The following table compares the 2022 Leelanau County population to the recreation standard of eight (8) acres per 1,000 persons.

| 2022 Population | Community Rec. Acreage Required | Community Rec. Acreage Available | Deficiency/Surplus |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 22,870 | 182.96 | 175 | -7.96 |



SPECIAL USE FACILITIES

Description

The Special Use classification covers a broad range of parks and recreation facilities oriented toward single-purpose use. Special uses generally fall into three categories:

- **Historic/Cultural/Social Sites:** Unique local resources offering historical, educational, and cultural opportunities. Examples include historic downtown areas, performing arts parks, arboretums, ornamental gardens, performing arts facilities, indoor theaters, churches, public buildings, and amphitheaters.
- **Recreation Facilities:** Specialized or single purpose facilities. Examples include community centers, senior centers, community theaters, hockey arenas, marinas, golf courses, and aquatic parks.
- **Outdoor Recreation Facilities:** Examples include tennis centers, softball complexes, sports stadiums.

Existing Special Use Facility Area Acreage

Leelanau County has one (1) facility which would fall within the Special Use Facility classification.

Service Area

Recreation needs, community interests, the type of facility, and land availability are the primary factors influencing location. Special use facilities should be viewed as strategically located community-wide facilities rather than as serving well-defined neighborhoods or areas. Where feasible, a geographically central site is optimal. The site should be easily accessible from arterial and collector streets, where feasible.

Special Used Facility Acreage Standards

Facility space requirements are the primary determinants of site size. As an example, a golf course may require 150 acres, whereas a community center with parking may fit on 10 or 15 acres.



RECREATION STANDARDS FOR ACTIVITIES/FACILITIES

The existing and future recreation needs of Leelanau County were examined in comparison to state and national standards for key activities. The following table compares the recommended number of facilities per population for the County (currently 22,870) with the existing facilities available and illustrates any current or projected deficiencies.

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While standards for comparison address the quantity of facilities desirable for a particular number of persons, they do not address quality or location concerns. Consequently, any community that has the appropriate numbers of facilities may not have facilities of a useful or desirable quality or may not have facilities located where they would be most accessible to residents.



2025 RECREATION STANDARDS AND DEFICIENCIES
Leelanau County
Estimated 2022 Population: 22,870

| FACILITY | STANDARD | RECOMMENDED FACILITIES | EXISTING FACILITIES | FACILITY DEFICIENCIES |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Softball | 1:5,000 | 5 | 1 | -4 |
| Baseball | 1:5,000 | 5 | 2 | -3 |
| Soccer | 1:10,000 | 2 | 1 | -1 |
| Basketball (Outdoor) | 1:5,000 | 5 | 2 | -3 |
| Football | 1:20,000 | 1 | 0 | -1 |
| Tennis/Pickleball | 1:2,000 | 11 | 2 | -9 |
| Playground Equipment | 1:3,000 | 8 | 3 | -5 |
| Volleyball | 1:5,000 | 5 | 1 | -4 |
| Running Track | 1:20,000 | 1 | 0 | -1 |
| Swimming Pool (Indoor) | 1:20,000 | 1 | 0 | -1 |
| Picnic Shelters | 1:2,000 | 11 | 4 | -7 |
| Boat Ramp | As available | -- | 1 | OK |
| Trails | 1 system per region | -- | 1 | OK |

RECREATION FACILITIES SUMMARY

Leelanau County utilizes churches, schools, township, and County parks to make up for the deficiencies in facilities.



GOALS AND OBJECTIVES ⁷

Leelanau County has developed the following goals and objectives for park and recreation facilities and programs. These Goals and Objectives are based upon input from citizens, elected and appointed County officials, and staff. The goals are long-range in nature and intended to be broad in scope and flexible enough to accommodate future change. The objectives are intended to direct specific program and development decisions to be made within the next five years. Both the goals and objectives are intended to guide actions but be flexible enough to reflect changing attitudes and opportunities as they may present themselves. Time and attitude changes can have an impact on specific options, and it is essential for Leelanau County to be responsive to its citizens.

The goals and objectives for the County in meeting the recreation needs of residents are outlined below.

GOAL 1:

Expand, develop, and maintain a long-term parks and recreation maintenance program to ensure quality recreational opportunities at County facilities.

Objectives:

- Develop an annual operations and maintenance program with County staff to adequately address immediate and long-term equipment, budgetary, and personnel needs for existing and proposed facilities
- Provide the Parks and Recreation Commission with oversight responsibility to assist staff with creation and management of an operations and maintenance



program and to make recommendations for improvements to the County Board of Commissioners

- Seek out additional in-kind or sub-contractual services where and when needed to supplement the annual operations and maintenance program and efforts of County staff
- Participate in the development of the annual County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and Collaborate with Staff in the preparation and submission of an annual budget to the County Board of Commissioners to fund projected and anticipated recreational needs or proposed improvements.
- Prioritize and implement the remaining incomplete elements of the Park Conceptual designs.

GOAL 2:

Upgrade existing facilities for continued active and passive use by the public.

Objectives:

- Review and maintain all trail, ballfield and court locations
- Review all parking facilities and consider expansion if needed. Evaluate vehicular and pedestrian circulation.
- Upgrade or renovate park playgrounds and surfacing
- Add and upgrade shelters
- Upgrade maintenance equipment that has reached the end of its life cycle

GOAL 3:

Provide accessible, enriching recreational opportunities and experiences for multi-generational visitors to enjoy each park.

Objectives:

- Provide barrier free access at a minimum with a goal of universal accessibility at all parks
- Provide universal access for fishing at Veronica Valley and Old Settlers and non-motorized boat launches at Old Settlers.



- Provide universal access with pathways and connectors through parks
- Provide universal access to all amenities within the parks
- Provide barrier free/ universal parking spaces
- Provide access for four season recreation at Myles Kimmerly and Veronica Valley
- Provide a barrier free, universally accessible playground

GOAL : 4

Preserve and promote the historical and cultural heritage of the parks.

Objectives:

- Develop signage
- Develop Myles Kimmerly Park with a focus on natural and cultural history education. Fully collaborate with LCHPS to promote the cultural history of the barn site.
- Identify educational possibilities for future development
- Actively encourage local schools to utilize the park for their science/natural history education





GOAL : 5

Develop Universal Design signage at all parks.

Objectives:

- Develop period, interpretive, environmental and educational signage and displays
- Develop way finding (informational kiosk, trail map, way finding signs, and identify accessible features)

GOAL : 6

Promote environmental sustainability at the parks.

Objectives:

- Reduce mowed areas allowing more native non-maintained vegetation
- Restoration of property back to natural processes once on site (Prairie, Forest, etc.)
- Mitigate invasive species at all parks including water bodies
- Continue tree and shrub planting with consultation/guidance from the Conservation District
- Continue reclamation of old golf course towards an all-native habitat for all wildlife at Veronica Valley
- Establish a relationship with the GTB as consultants on Native American use of native plants
- Provide environmental education opportunities where applicable

GOAL : 7

Develop collaboration for funding and other improvements with stakeholders and other groups with other groups through Memorandums of Understanding or Agreements.

Objectives:

- Improve partnership with the Leelanau County Historic Preservation Society



(LCHPS) and other stakeholders for the historic “Poor Farm” restoration and community garden activities

- Establish a relationship with the GTB as consultants on Native American use of native plants
- Retain ongoing collaborations with the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians (GTB) the Leelanau Conservation District, and others for access to trees and shrubs for planting
- Fully utilize the resources of the Invasive Species Network (ISN) to routinely work to reduce invasive species in the park
- Continue tree and shrub planting with consultation/guidance from the Conservation District
- Create a “Friends” group or other similar group of committed park volunteers for each park
- Formalize a relationship with local Scout groups and high schools who need to engage in community service volunteer hours
- Develop a set of “volunteer chores” available annually at each park
- Assist the Lake Leelanau Lake Association in solving the aquatic weed problems in the fishing ponds
- Sustain the ongoing collaboration with the Glen Lake Women’s Club and the Old Settlers Annual Picnic Committee for the continuing Chapel and Garden Maintenance activities and the Annual Old Settlers Picnic at Old Settlers Park

GOAL : 8

Leverage County funds into larger sums for park development through grants and other funding sources to improve the parks

Objectives:

- Apply for Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund, Recreation Passport, Land and Water and Spark grants annually
- Utilize other non-profit funding sources
- Obtain at least two other small grants/donations which can be used as part of



local match to MDNR grant

- Develop a relationship with County Commissioners to obtain some funds from the biannual 2% GTB distribution each year
- Apply to the Cherryland Rural Electric





ACTION PROGRAM & 8 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE

ACTION PROGRAM

The Action Program and Capital Improvement Schedule for the Leelanau County Park and Recreation Plan states the proposed course of development or improvement that will be taken over the next five years. The Goals and Objectives, from the previous section, serve as guidelines for the development of the Action Program. The Capital Improvement Schedule which follows will focus on the needs identified in the Action Program and will project potential expenditures for the five-year action period on a year-by-year basis. The five-year period will begin in 2025 and extend through 2029. This time period will not be sufficient to accomplish all of the goals and objectives but begins to prioritize those projects that may be achievable within the initial five years.

The Action Program focuses on improvements of facilities in a manner that not only meets current needs, but also diversifies the type and quality of recreational opportunities within the County. Additionally, it describes specific actions to be taken to address these needs, and the Capital Improvement Schedule specifically itemizes those projects which will be most feasible during the next five years. The proposed schedule will allow for flexibility as funds become available and as opportunities are presented.

The following actions are comprehensive and may require more than five years to complete. Note that projects that would be eligible for Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, Passport and Land and Water Grants have a grant application prior to the construction in an effort to offset the Counties costs on each project that could be grant funded.



| Year | Project | County | Other Funds | Total Project Costs |
|------|---|--|-------------|---|
| 2025 | Remove vault toilet buildings at Myles Kimmerly and Old Settlers Park and replace with concrete pads for portable toilets | \$30,000 | | \$30,000 |
| 2025 | Veronica Valley Accessible Pathway Grant Application V-11 | \$6,000 | | \$6,000 |
| 2025 | Myles Kimmerly Disc Golf Practice Course / Driving Range and Upgrade Existing Baskets M-6 | | \$22,000 | \$22,000 |
| 2025 | Old Settlers Gazebo Refurbishment or Replacement | \$160,000 Replacement \$60,000 Renovation | | \$ 160,000 Replacement \$60,000 Renovation |
| 2026 | Myles Kimmerly Accessibility Improvements - Grant Application M-7 | \$6,000 | | \$6,000 |
| 2026 | Veronica Valley Accessible Pathway Construction V-11 | \$50,000 | \$50,000 | \$100,000 |
| 2026 | Park Signage Design Plan including but not limited to park wayfinding, the non-motorized trails and barrier free parking. | \$9,000 | | \$9,000 |
| 2027 | Veronica Valley Shelter and Kiosk – Grant Application V-6 | \$6,000 | | \$6,000 |
| 2027 | Myles Kimmerly Accessibility Improvements - Construction M-7 | \$75,000 | \$75,000 | \$150,000 |
| 2027 | Myles Kimmerly New Pickleball Courts -4 Total Construction M-4 | \$300,000 | | \$300,000 |
| 2027 | Myles Kimmerly Refurbish Tennis Courts M-16 | \$20,000 | | \$20,000 |
| 2028 | Myles Kimmerly Universal Playground Replacement - Grant Application M-7 | \$6,000 | | \$6,000 |
| 2028 | Veronica Valley Shelter and Kiosk – Construction V-6 | \$50,000 | \$50,000 | \$100,000 |
| 2028 | Veronica Valley Bridge Accessibility Improvements – Construction | \$10,000 | | \$10,000 |
| 2029 | Old Settlers Overall Park Accessibility Improvements and Replace Stairs at Dock with Ramp – Grant Application | \$6,000 | | \$6,000 |



| Year | Project | County | Other Funds | Total Project Costs |
|------|--|-----------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 2029 | Myles Kimmerly Universal Playground Replacement Construction M-7 | \$150,000 | \$150,000 | \$30,000 |
| 2030 | Old Settlers Overall Park Accessibility Improvements and Replace Stairs at Dock with Ramp – Construction | \$50,000 | \$50,000 | \$100,000 |
| 2030 | Myles Kimmerly Poor Farm Restrooms M-24 | \$70,000 | \$70,000 Poor Farm Fundraising | \$140,000 |
| 2030 | Myles Kimmerly - Future Dog Park M-10 | \$100,000 | | \$100,00 |
| 2031 | Acquire Property as it becomes available | N/A | | |

Full cost estimates for each park follow in the Appendices. The priority projects are included above.

- M = Miles Kimmerly
- O = Old Settlers
- V = Veronica Valley



9 LOCAL ADOPTION AND CERTIFICATION PLAN

CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

RESOLUTION(S) OF ADOPTION

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

COUNTY PLANNING AGENCY TRANSMITTAL LETTER



COMMUNITY PARK AND RECREATION PLAN

CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

By Authority of Parts 19, 703 and 716 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, as amended, submission of this information is required for eligibility to apply for grants

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete, obtain certification signatures and submit this checklist with a locally adopted recreation plan.

All recreation plans are required to meet the content and local approval standards listed in this checklist and as outlined in the *Guidelines for the Development of Community Park and Recreation Plans* provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Plans must be submitted to the DNR through MIRecGrants **with** a completed checklist that has been signed by an authorized official(s) of the local unit of government(s) submitting the plan. Plans may be submitted at any time of the year, but no later than February 1 of the year the local unit of government is applying for grants.

PLAN INFORMATION

| | | |
|---|----------|---|
| Name of Plan: Community Parks and Recreation Plan | | |
| List the community names (including school districts) that are covered under the plan and have passed a resolution adopting the plan. | County | Month and year plan adopted by the community's governing body |
| Leelanau County | Leelanau | January 2025 |
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PLAN CONTENT

INSTRUCTIONS: Please check each box to certify that the listed information is included in the final plan.

1. COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

2. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

- Roles of Commission(s) or Advisory Board(s)
- Department, Authority and/or Staff Description and Organizational Chart
- Annual and Projected Budgets for Operations, Maintenance, Capital Improvements and Recreation Programming
- Current Funding Sources
- Role of Volunteers
- Relationship(s) with School Districts, Other Public Agencies or Private Organizations

Recreation Authorities or Trailway Commissions Only:

- Description of the Relationship between the Authority or Commission and the Recreation Departments of Participating Communities
- Articles of Incorporation

3. RECREATION INVENTORY

- Description of Methods Used to Conduct the Inventory
- Inventory of all Community Owned Parks and Recreation Facilities
- Location Maps (site development plans recommended but not required)
- Accessibility Assessment
- Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities
- Waterways Inventory (if applicable)

4. RESOURCE INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)

5. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANNING PROCESS

6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

Description of the Method(s) Used to Solicit Public Input Before or During Preparation of the Plan, including a Copy of the Survey or Meeting Agenda and a Summary of the Responses Received

Copy of the Notice of the Availability of the Draft Plan for Public Review and Comment

Date of the Notice 11/7/2024

Type of Notice Newspaper – Leelanau Enterprise

Plan Location Administrators Office and www.leelanau.gov

Duration of Draft Plan Public Review Period (Must be at Least 30 Days) 30 days

Copy of the Notice for the Public Meeting Held after the One Month Public Review Period and Before the Plan's Adoption by the Governing Body(ies)

Date of Notice 11-11-2024

Name of Newspaper Leelanau Enterprise

Date of Meeting Tuesday, December 17, 2024

Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting

7. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

8. ACTION PROGRAM

9. POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT(S)

PLAN ADOPTION DOCUMENTATION

APPROVAL DOCUMENTATION: For multi-jurisdictional plans, **each** local unit of government must pass a resolution adopting the plan. Prepare and attach a separate page for each unit of government included in the plan.

1. Official resolution of adoption by the governing body dated: 1-21-2025

2. Official resolution of the _____ Commission or Board, recommending adoption of the plan by the governing body, dated: _____

3. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to County Planning Agency dated: 1-21-2025

4. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to Regional Planning Agency dated: 1-21-2025

OVERALL CERTIFICATION

NOTE: For multi-jurisdictional plans, Overall Certification must include the signature of each local unit of government. Prepare and attach a separate signature page for each unit of government included in the plan.

I hereby certify that the recreation plan for

LEELANAU COUNTY, MICHIGAN

includes the required content, as indicated

(Local Unit of Government)

above and as set forth by the DNR.

Richard J. Fewell
Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government

01/28/25
Date

This completed checklist must be uploaded in MiRecGrants.

LEELANAU COUNTY RESOLUTION #2025-002
RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
2025-2029 COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN

WHEREAS, Leelanau County has undertaken an update of its Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan, which provides an inventory of existing recreation facilities, prospective public facilities, and an action program to be taken for improvement and maintenance of recreation facilities during the period between 2025 and 2029, inclusive, and

WHEREAS, Leelanau County began the process of developing a community recreation and natural resource conservation plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities, and

WHEREAS, residents of Leelanau County were provided with a well-advertised opportunity during the development of the draft plan to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the recreation and natural resource conservation plan, and

WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the final draft plan for a period of at least 30 days, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on December 17, 2024, at the Leelanau County Government Center in Suttons Bay, Michigan, to provide an opportunity for all residents of the planning area to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the 2025-2029 Community Parks and Recreation Plan, and

WHEREAS, Leelanau County has developed the plan as a guideline for improving recreation and enhancing natural resource conservation for the Leelanau County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the 2025-2029 Community Parks and Recreation Plan.

Ty Wessell, Chairman

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Leelanau County Board of Commissioners will be conducting a Public Hearing on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commissioner Meeting Room, Leelanau County Government Center, Suttons Bay, Michigan

(Please silence all electronic/cellular devices)

(Proceedings of the meeting are being recorded and are not the official record of the meeting, the formally approved/accepted written copy of the minutes will be the official record of the meeting.)

AGENDA

Call to Order by Chairman

Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

Roll Call

Purpose of the Public Hearing:

Public Input on the Final Draft of the 2025-2029 Leelanau County Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan 2-6

Adjournment

NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

An Official Viewing of the Final Draft of the 2025-2029 Leelanau County Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan will be held from November 11 through December 11, 2024, followed by a Public Hearing on the Final Draft, to be held on **Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.**

A copy of the draft Leelanau County Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan will be available for public inspection and comment beginning November 11, 2024, in the Administrator's Office, Suite 101, 8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suttons Bay, Michigan, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or on the County website at <https://www.leelanau.gov/parksandrec.asp>

Comments on the draft plan can be submitted as follows:

Email: lcypher@leelanau.gov

Fax: (231) 256-0120

In Person or by Mail:

Leelanau County Administration

8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suite 101

Suttons Bay, Michigan 49682

All comments will be collected and submitted to the Parks and Recreation Commission for consideration.

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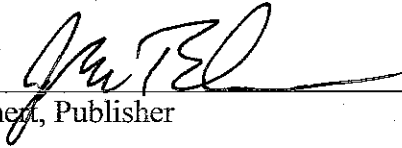
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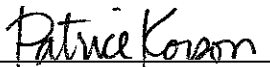
Affidavit of Publication

Leelanau County Administration
Description: Parks & Recreation Public Review

John T. Elchert being first duly sworn, says that he is the publisher of The Leelanau Enterprise, a newspaper published in the English language for the dissemination of local or transmitted news and intelligence of a general character and legal news, which is a duly qualified newspaper, and that annexed hereto is a copy of a certain order taken from said newspaper, in which the order was published:
Leelanau Enterprise: 11/07/24

Signed: 
John T. Elchert, Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before this date 11/07/2024


Patrice Korson
Notary Public, Leelanau County, Michigan
Acting in Leelanau County

My Commission Expires April 1, 2028

Leelanau County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session – Tuesday, December 17, 2024
Tentative Minutes

Proceedings of the meeting are being recorded (audio and video). The video of the meeting can be found at the following link:
<https://www.leelanau.gov/meetingdetails.asp?MAId=2806#video>

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Chairman Ty Wessell at 7:00 p.m. Today's meeting is being held at the Government Center, 8527 E. Government Center Drive, Suttons Bay, Michigan.

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence: skip

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and moment of silence took place at a prior meeting.

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|-------------------|-------------|--------------------|---------|
| <u>Roll Call:</u> | District #1 | Vacant | |
| | #2 | James O'Rourke | PRESENT |
| | #3 | Doug Rexroat | PRESENT |
| | #4 | Ty Wessell | PRESENT |
| | #5 | Kama Ross | PRESENT |
| | #6 | Gwenne Allgaier | PRESENT |
| | #7 | Melinda C. Lautner | PRESENT |

Guests present.

Approval of Board Minutes:

#341-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED:

- **SPECIAL SESSION – TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2024**
- **PUBLIC HEARING – TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2024 (PACE)**
- **PUBLIC HEARING – TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2024 (WEST BAY/WEST SHORE)**
- **SPECIAL SESSION – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2024**
- **BUDGET WORK SESSION – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024**
- **PUBLIC HEARING – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024 (WEST BAY/WEST SHORE)**
- **SPECIAL SESSION – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024**
- **SPECIAL SESSION – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2024**
- **SPECIAL SESSION – NOVEMBER 18 – NOVEMBER 19, 2024**
- **EXECUTIVE BOARD SESSION – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024**
- **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024**
- **SPECIAL SESSION – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024**
- **SPECIAL SESSION – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2024**

SECONDED BY O'ROURKE/REXROAT.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier)

NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Agenda / Late Additions or Deletions:

Chairman Wessell requested Late addition #3 – Board of Commissioners – County Administrator Agreement be added and placed as Agenda Item #1 under Action Items.

#342-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY REXROAT THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. SECONDED BY O’ROURKE.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Lautner, O’Rourke)

NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Communications, Proclamations, Presentations –

Administrator Update:

Interim Administrator Lewis commented there will be an end-of-year Special Session meeting on December 30, 2024 and for the Board members to please sign the sheet when distributed tonight for approval. Lewis updated the Board regarding the Antrim District Court separation resolution and the Leelanau Township Tower project.

Point Broadband Update:

DCS Technology CEO Chris Scharrer and Point Broadband Chief Construction Officer Nick Diponzio were present via Zoom and provided an update regarding the construction progress for broadband internet within the County. Scharrer and Diponzio answered Commissioner questions and discussion ensued.

Chairman Wessell thanked Scharrer and Diponzio for the update.

Blue Cross Blue Shield Update:

C&M Insurance Health/Employee Benefits Agent Lew Wolters was present and explained in more detail the handout that was previously distributed at the Executive Session held on December 10, 2024.

The handout can be found at the following link: (pages 2-6)

https://www.leelanau.gov/downloads/12172024_boc_rs_packet.pdf

Wolters further discussed with the Board the options of changing the current prescription tier of \$10/\$40 to a five (5) tier system of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS) Self Insurance Plan. Wolters answered Commissioner questions and stated he would be back in January of 2025 to request the contract be signed with BCBS for the 2025 benefit year.

Commissioners thanked Wolters for the update.

Public Comment (agenda specific):

The following individual spoke in person: Alan Campbell.

Commissioner Comments:

Chairman Wessell thanked the individuals who applied to be on one of the many Boards and Commissions for their interest. Wessell further explained the process of selection and stated there are still a few openings if anyone is interested.

Consent Agenda Items:

Chairman Wessell read the following statement: The purpose of the Consent Agenda is to expedite business by grouping non-controversial items together to be dealt with by one motion without discussion. Any Commissioner may ask that any item on the Consent Agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion. Such request(s) will be automatically respected and will not need a second.

#343-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY REXROAT THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS. SECONDED BY O'ROURKE.

Sheriff's Office – MCOLES Employed Recruit:

#344-12172024 Regular Session

• TO APPROVE THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY COVERAGE PROPOSAL FOR LEELANAU COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 21, 2025 TO JANUARY 1, 2026, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$258,480.00 AND APPROVE THE STOP LOSS PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AS OUTLINED IN THE PROPOSAL, WITH PAYMENTS TO COME FROM ACCOUNT #101.830.871.954.000.

Finance – Year End Adjustments:

#345-12172024 Regular Session

• TO APPROVE/AUTHORIZE THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE ANY YEAR-END ADJUSTMENTS AND TRANSFERS DEEMED NECESSARY TO AVOID YEAR-END DEFICITS IN THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENT BUDGETS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND. NO TRANSFER/ADJUSTMENTS TO GO BEYOND FUNDS IN CONTINGENCY. ALL TRANSFERS/ADJUSTMENTS REQUIRE THE SIGNATURE OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR.

Equalization – Aerial Imagery Acquisition Spring 2025:

#346-12172024 Regular Session

• TO AUTHORIZE ENTRY INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF MICHIGAN'S STATEWIDE AUTHORITATIVE IMAGERY AND LIDAR PROGRAM (MISAIL) TO COLLECT AERIAL IMAGERY IN THE SPRING OF 2025.

Drain Commission – Relinquishment of Brewery Creek Drain to Elmwood Township:

#347-12172024 Regular Session

• TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION AND RELINQUISH THE JURISDICTION AND CONTROL OF BREWERY CREEK DRAIN TO ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP.

**LEELANAU COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER
RESOLUTION #2024-022**

**ORDER TO RELINQUISH JURISDICTION AND CONTROL OVER BREWERY CREEK
DRAIN TO ELMWOOD CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Brewery Creek Drain is county drain pursuant to Public Act 40 of 1956, as amended ("Drain Code"), and wholly located within Elmwood Charter Township; and

WHEREAS, Section 395 of the Drain Code authorizes a Drain Commissioner to relinquish an existing drain to a county, township, city, village or authority in which all or the

part of the drain and the area the drain or part of the drain services in wholly located, as long as there is no outstanding indebtedness or contract liability of the drainage district; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 395 of the Drain Code, the Drain Commissioner has determined that the Drain should be relinquished to Elmwood Charter Township; and

WHEREAS, there is no outstanding indebtedness or contract liability of the Brewery Creek Drain Drainage District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 395(l)(c)(i) of the Drain Code, for the relinquishment to become effective, a majority of the members of the county board of commissioners must approve the relinquishment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 395(1)(c)(ii) of the Drain Code, for the relinquishment to become effective, the governing body of the township that is to accept jurisdiction and control of the drain must approve the relinquishment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED THAT, the Leelanau County Drain Commissioner does authorize the relinquishment of the Brewery Creek Drain to Elmwood Charter Township.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the relinquishment of the Brewery Creek Drain shall not become effective until approved by resolution of the governing body of Elmwood Charter Township and the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that upon relinquishment, the Drain Commissioner shall take all steps necessary to effectuate the same, including assigning all drain easements and/or rights-of-way, including drainage structures and related appurtenances to Elmwood Charter Township, executing all necessary contracts with the Elmwood Charter Township and all other steps proscribed in Section 395 of the Drain Code.

Drain Commission – GEI Consultants Contract Renewal:

#348-12172024 Regular Session

● TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH GEI CONSULTANTS OF MICHIGAN PENDING LEGAL REVIEW.

IT – Safety Net VMWARE Renewal:

#349-12172024 Regular Session

● TO APPROVE THE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (KNOWN AS THE LOWE NW2 REGIONAL MATERIAL MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE) BY-LAWS AS PRESENTED.

Michigan State University (MSU) Extension – 2025 Agreement for Extension Services:

#350-12172024 Regular Session

● TO APPROVE THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY AGREEMENT FOR EXTENSION SERVICES FOR LEELANAU COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025, TO DECEMBER 31, 2025, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$141,730.00 WITH PAYMENTS TO COME FROM ACCOUNT #101.615.257.801.000.

Planning – Materials Management Planning Committee By-Laws:

#351-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPROVE THE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (KNOWN AS THE LOWE NW2 REGIONAL MATERIAL MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE) BY-LAWS AS PRESENTED.**

Human Resources – Earned Sick Time Policy:

#352-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPROVE THE NEW COUNTY POLICY #08.04 EARNED SICK TIME ACT POLICY, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 8, 2025.**

Human Resources – County Policy 1.07 Update:

#353-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO ADOPT THE UPDATED PERSONNEL POLICY #1.07 TO INCLUDE THE EARNED SICK LEAVE ACT, POLICY #8.04, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 8, 2025.**

Administration – Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) 2025 Renewal:

#354-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPROVE THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY COVERAGE PROPOSAL FOR LEELANAU COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 21, 2025 TO JANUARY 1, 2026, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$258,480.00 AND APPROVE THE STOP LOSS PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AS OUTLINED IN THE PROPOSAL, WITH PAYMENTS TO COME FROM ACCOUNT #101.830.871.954.000.**

Administration – 2025 Netlink Printer copier Maintenance Agreement:

#355-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO WAIVE ITS POLICY ON BID REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVE RENEWING THE SERVICE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS WITH NETLINK FOR 2025 AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$19,529.40.**

Administration – 2025 Proposed Non-Union Wage Schedule:

#356-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPROVE THE 2025 PROPOSED NON-UNION WAGE SCHEDULE PRESENTED REFLECTING IN A 3% INCREASE TO THE 2024 APPROVED NON-UNION WAGE SCHEDULE AS AMENDED AND THAT THIS SCHEDULE BE SUBJECT TO A “ME TOO” UPON RATIFICATION OF THE TEAMSTERS AND FOPLC CONTRACTS.**

Administration – Progressive AE – Amended Agreement:

#357-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROGRESSIVE AE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REGARDING THE LEELANAU TOWER PROJECT, AMENDING THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT FROM \$5,300.00 TO \$7,800.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM ACCOUNT #101.100.101.967.000.**

Administration – Boards and Commissions Appointments – Committee of the Whole Recommendations:

Benzie/Leelanau District Health Department:

#358-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT DAVID QUIMBY TO THE BENZIE/LEELANAU DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH, FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

Benzie/Leelanau District Environmental Health Board of Appeals:

#359-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT DON BARROWS TO THE BENZIE/LEELANAU ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH BOARD OF APPEALS, FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority:

#360-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT DAVID KING TO THE BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

#361-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT CHRISTOPHER LOGAN TO THE BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

#362-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT KATHLEEN WIEJACZKA TO THE BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR A PARTIAL THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

Construction Board of Appeals (CBOA):

#363-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT THOMAS VERSCHAEVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS, PLUMBING/MECHANICAL CATEGORY, FOR A PARTIAL FIVE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2028.**

#364-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT JULIUS BUNEK TO THE CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS, ELECTRICAL CATEGORY, FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2029.**

Leland Dam Authority:

#365-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT GARTH GREENAN, AS THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE LEELANAU COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION, TO THE LELAND DAM AUTHORITY.**

Parks and Recreation Commission:

#366-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT CHARLES GODBOUT AND KEITH BEDUHN TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

#367-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT MEL BLACK, AS THE LEELANAU COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE, TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION.**

#368-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT REBECCA BENEDICT TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION FOR A PARTIAL TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

#369-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT JIM CARPENTER TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION FOR A PARTIAL TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

Planning Commission:

#370-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT LOIS BAHLE, RECREATION CATEGORY, TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

#371-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT SCOTT HEISER, FINANCE CATEGORY, TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

#372-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT MEL BLACK, REAL ESTATE CATEGORY, TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

Soil Erosion, Sedimentation, Stormwater Runoff BOA [Board of Appeals]:

#373-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT ERIC LIND TO THE SOIL EROSION, SEDIMENTATION, AND STORMWATER RUNOFF CONTROL ORDINANCE BOA, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

#374-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT KATHY DAWKINS TO THE SOIL EROSION, SEDIMENTATION, AND STORMWATER RUNOFF CONTROL ORDINANCE BOA, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

Solid Waste Council:

#375-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT ANDREW GALE TO THE SOLID WASTE COUNCIL FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

#376-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT TOM PETERSON TO THE SOLID WASTE COUNCIL FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31 ,2026.**

#377-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO APPOINT KATHY DAWKINS TO THE SOLID WASTE COUNCIL FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31 ,2026.**

Veterans Affairs Administrative Committee:

#378-12172024 Regular Session

- **TO REAPPOINT STEVE STANTON TO THE VETERANS AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE, TO A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL: Rexroat – YES; Ross – YES; Wessell – YES; Allgaier – YES; Lautner – YES; O'Rourke – YES.

AYES – 6 NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Board of Commissioners – County Administrator Agreement:

Michigan Leadership Institute Chet Janik was present and explained the Late Addition. Janik answered Commissioner questions and corrected typos that were discussed within the document.

#379-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY ROSS THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE LEELANAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT AS PRESENTED IN THE LATE ADDITION TO THE BOARD PACKET AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT APPROVED AS TO FORM BY THE COUNTY'S LEGAL COUNSEL. SECONDED BY REXROAT.

Discussion ensued.

ROLL CALL: Ross – YES; Wessell – YES; Allgaier – YES; Lautner – YES; O'Rourke – YES; Rexroat – YES.

AYES – 6 NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Finance – BLDHD Early childhood Services Renewal Agreement:

Finance Director Cathy Hartesvelt was present and explained the Agenda Item.

#380-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY ALLGAIER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE AGREEMENT FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD HEALTH SERVICES FOR LEELANAU COUNTY BY THE BENZIE-LEELANAU DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2025, TO DECEMBER 31, 2030, WITH FUNDS FROM FUND #280. SECONDED BY ROSS.

Discussion ensued.

AYES – 5 (Allgaier, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell)

NO – 1 (Lautner)

MOTION CARRIED.

Finance – Solutions For You – Contract Extension/Renewal:

Finance Director Cathy Hartesvelt was present and explained the Agenda Item.

#381-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY ALLGAIER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE AN EXTENSION AND AMENDMENT TO THE CURRENT CONTRACT WITH SOLUTIONS FOR YOU, LLC, AS OUTLINED AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT UPON REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY LEGAL COUNSEL. SECONDED BY O'ROURKE.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Allgaier, Kramer, Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell)

NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Finance – Brownfield Authority – Leelanau County Resolution #2008-026:

Finance Director Cathy Hartesvelt was present and explained the Agenda Item. Hartesvelt answered Commissioner questions and discussion ensued.

#382-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY REXROAT THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS UPHOLD RESOLUTION #08-026 AND DIRECT THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO RECORD

THE PAYABLE TO LEELANAU COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF THE NET PROCEEDS AND CALCULATED INTEREST EARNED TO BE PAID BACK TO THE COUNTY WITH THE FOLLOWING TERMS: EQUAL INSTALLMENTS OVER A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS BEGINNING IN 2025. SECONDED BY ALLGAIER/O’ROURKE.

Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL: Rexroat – YES; Ross – YES; Wessell – YES; Allgaier – YES; Lautner – YES; O’Rourke – YES.

AYES – 6 NO - 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Administration –Veterans Services – Contract with Grand Traverse County:
Finance Director Cathy Hartesvelt was present and explained the Agenda Item.

#383-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN LEELANAU COUNTY AND GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS FROM JANUARY 1, 2025, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2030, AT AN ANNUAL COST OF \$56,618.00, IF SAID AGREEMENT IS THE DESIRE OF THE GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. THE PRIOR MOTION/BOARD ACTION ON THIS AGREEMENT FROM NOVEMBER 19, 2024, IS RESCINDED AND REPLACED BY THIS MOTION. SECONDED BY O’ROURKE.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Lautner, O’Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier)

NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Marijuana Operation and Oversight Grant:

Finance Director Cathy Hartesvelt was present and explained the Agenda Item.

#384-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY ROSS THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THAT LEELANAU COUNTY PARTNER WITH BENZIE LEELANAU DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO WRITE THE GRANT APPLICATION AND APPLY FOR THE MARIJUANA OPERATION AND OVERSIGHT GRANT TO DEVELOP INITIATIVES, PROVIDE LOCKBOXES AND EDUCATION FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS ENCOURAGING SAFE STORAGE OF SUBSTANCES AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE APPLICATION. SECONDED BY ALLGAIER.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 5 (Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Lautner, Rexroat)

NO – 1 (O’Rourke)

MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Wessell introduced newly appointed Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department Health Officer Daniel Thorell and requested Thorell join the presentation table. Thorell answered Commissioner questions and Commissioners thanked him.

Leelanau County Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan Approval:

#385-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY REXROAT THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE FINAL DRAFT OF THE 2025-2029 LEELANAU COUNTY FIVE-YEAR COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN. SECONDED BY ROSS.

Discussion – none.

**AYES – 6 (Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier, Lautner, O’Rourke)
NO – 0**

MOTION CARRIED.

Review Of Financials:

Finance Director Cathy Hartesvelt was present and answered questions.

Special Reports by Staff, Commissioners, and Affiliated Agencies:

None.

Public Comment:

The following individuals spoke in person: Chet Janik, Heather Duran, Steve Mikowski, and Steve Yoder.

Commissioner Comment:

Commissioner Lautner thanked audience member Chet Janik for his kind words. She explained there were ups and downs through her career and one of those highs was when Janik was hired as County Administrator.

Commissioner Rexroat commented it has been a privilege to work on this Board and that it is not an easy job. He thanked the Commissioners for their service and said there is a great board coming in.

Commissioner Ross stated that it has been an honor to serve the good people of Centerville and Leland Townships. She hopes that the new board makes decisions by taking into consideration the beauty of the natural resources and thinking seven (7) generations out. Ross continued that there are well informed citizens, who are engaged, listening and watching, and she wishes them the best.

Commissioner O’Rourke said one person, one day and one vote. He stated he has enjoyed this job tremendously and to remember that common sense knowledge is what is needed to this job.

Commissioner Allgaier thanked the Board for working together and for showing up. She thanked the audience members for their interest, showing up boring meetings and for speaking openly about their concerns.

Chairman Wessell thanked the Board for putting up with him as Chairman this last term. He thanked Commissioner Lautner for sometimes agreeing with him and that he would rather serve with somebody he can have disagreeable discussions with and know that we have looked at where all the problems are thanked her for all of her contributions.

Approval of Financials —

Amendments & Transfers:

#386-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT #2024-016, #2024-017 AND #2024-018. SECONDED BY O’ROURKE.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier)
NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

#387-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE FUND TRANSFER #2024-007. SECONDED BY O'ROURKE.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier)
NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Miscellaneous Fund Transfers and Amendments:

None.

Claims and Accounts:

#388-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$415,802.57. SECONDED BY ROSS.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier)
NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Post Audit Claims and Accounts:

#389-12172024 Regular Session

MOTION BY LAUTNER THAT THE LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE POST AUDIT CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,099,340.40. SECONDED BY O'ROURKE.

Discussion – none.

AYES – 6 (Lautner, O'Rourke, Rexroat, Ross, Wessell, Allgaier)
NO – 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment:

Chairman Wessell adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Ty Wessell, Chairman
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners

Jennifer L. Zywicki, Chief Deputy Clerk for
Michelle L. Crocker, Leelanau County Clerk



Landscape Architecture
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January 21, 2025

Gail Myer
Leelanau County Planning and Community Development
8527 E Government Center Dr, Suite 108
Suttons Bay MI 49682

Dear Mrs. Myer:

Enclosed for your review is a copy of the Leelanau County 2025 Parks and Recreation Plan adopted by the County Board of Commissioners on January 7, 2025. We are submitting this Plan in accordance with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' guidelines for preparing a community recreation plan.

If you have any comments or need additional information, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Smith
President
MCSA Group, Inc.

Enclosure



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January 21, 2024

Mr. Matt McCauley, CEO
Networks Northwest
600 East Front Street
Suite 205
Traverse City, MI 49686

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Sincerely,

Tiffany Smith
President
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Enclosure



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Parks and Recreation Community Survey

by **Lauren Cypher**

Thursday, September 12, 2024



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The Leelanau County Parks and Recreation Commission is updating the 5 Year Master Plan and has created a survey regarding Leelanau County Parks.

Access the survey via the link below or QR Code

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**The Leelanau County Parks & Recreation
Commission is updating the
Five-Year Master Plan and have created a
community survey regarding parks use,
enjoyment, and future planning**

Your input is appreciated



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Acting in Leelanau County

My Commission Expires April 1, 2028

Leelanau County Parks & Recreation Commission

The Leelanau County Parks & Recreation Commission is updating the **5 Year Master Plan** and have created a community survey.

Your input is appreciated

Access the survey below



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/leelanaucommunitysurvey>

Comment on Parks and Recreation Parks and Recreation Plan

First and most importantly, thank you to members of the Leelanau County Parks and Recreation Committee for their long hours contributed to update to the county parks plan.

Through my volunteerism with Kids Fishing Day, I am most familiar with Veronica Valley County Park. As a suggestion, please consider combining future plans for a walk around Kids Fishing Pond and construction of a pavilion. I say this because I believe they could be integrated into one grant request to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund.

The pavilion would be very helpful for Kids Fishing Day — the need to rent a tent would be eliminated, saving funds — as well as other events hosted at the park.

Again, thank you for your work on this project.

— Alan Campbell
231 492 4972

From: [patricia cobb](#)
To: [Lauren Cypher](#)
Subject: Comment on Leelanau County Five-Year Parks Plan
Date: Monday, December 9, 2024 2:46:57 PM

Dear Ms. Cypher,

Thank-you for this valuable work and for the opportunity to comment. I am a Michigan voter and Leland resident. I have the following comment:

- I read with interest that the Leland road-ends to Lake Michigan at North Street, Reynolds Street, Thompson Street, etc. are listed as county facilities.
- This suggests that road ends could be modified or used as parks, as part of the Five-Year Plan.
- In fact, I recall it was concluded by the Leland Township Board on November 29, 2018 that road ends fall ONLY under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission.
- Furthermore, the road ends are NOT parks; they are used for launching boats and for access to shoreline walking.
- Therefore, I would recommend that the road ends be removed from the county facility list.
- Please, let's avoid a re-do of the conflicts of 2018-2019 when attempts were made to "market" the road-ends as public beaches.

Sincerely,
Patricia Cobb

From: [Derenda LeFevre](#)
To: [Richard Lewis](#); [Lauren Cypher](#)
Subject: P&R DRAFT Plan Public Comment
Date: Monday, December 9, 2024 7:29:13 PM
Attachments: [LC Recreation DRAFT Plan Edits.pdf](#)

Hello,

My name is Derenda LeFevre. I am a resident of Centerville Twp., a Recreational Therapist and a Disability Inclusion Specialist living and working in Leelanau County.

There are many ways in which you have included people with disabilities in your Draft Plan and I want to first recognize that fact and your intention of reaching for Universal Access & Design.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is widely regarded to be one of the most important pieces of civil rights legislation in American history. It was meant to ensure equal access and opportunity for the countless millions of American citizens living with disabilities. It was meant to ensure fair treatment and guaranteed accessibility.

In recent years, the tenants of the ADA have been misused to further oppress the disabled community. This most commonly takes the form of claims of undue financial burden, historic designations, providing only one accessible park or only some accessible features and waiting for access to be requested before taking action. Actions like these are essentially saying that access for disabled residents is a “nice to do” instead of a right.

It is important that the P&R Commission prioritizes access needs in your Capital Improvement Plan - that the access features are identified and included in the budget and planning process proactively.

It is also important to remember that the ADA is a minimum requirement and even if you comply with the ADA fully you are still not providing equitable access.

I encourage the P&R Committee to fully embrace Universal Access & Design by including this language in your mission statement, applying the Universal Access standards to all Accessibility Improvements and be explicit in how you will meet the all Universal Access Principles at each site.

Universal Design is design that’s usable by all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design. Universal Design IS NOT about making adaptations for a specific person or group of people.

It IS about making our spaces welcoming for all people, beyond and inclusive of disability.

I also want to express the importance of accessible, permanent and year round restrooms as an essential element of access for people with disabilities.

I want to leave you with a gentle reminder that any one of us at any time can become a member of the disabled community due to injury, illness or age.

When we look at the disability statistics in Leelanau County, we need to look at not only those that self-identified as having a disability, but also the aging population who many (but not all) will experience increased barriers to access if we are not preparing our spaces now and prioritizing access.

I’ve provided updated language for several sections of the Draft Plan that will move you closer to your goal of Universal Access as well as provide up-to-date terminology related to disability. This information is included as an attachment to this email.

Thank you for your work. Parks and Recreation is essential to the health of our community.

Lauren Cypher

From: Ashley Suttman <ashley@goodnessonmain.com>
Sent: Monday, December 9, 2024 9:49 AM
To: Lauren Cypher
Subject: Regarding the Final Draft of Parks

Thank YOU! Thank you for focusing on families & all of our needs as you created this plan. I look forward to hopefully attending the meeting, but just in case I wanted to extend my words of gratitude for the organization's hard work. This is so important and is often not recognized until we realize what we DO NOT have. I am always shocked when I go to pretty much any other township, village, or city and see their beautiful park areas. I appreciate the work you are putting into this and hope we get to see better days ahead!

Thanks again,
Ashley Suttman
Leland

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Lauren Cypher

From: Ashley Suttman <ashley@goodnessonmain.com>
Sent: Monday, December 9, 2024 10:30 AM
To: Lauren Cypher
Subject: Post Reading it over...

Hi! Ok- I just read it over.

Of course, the two parks I am most concerned about selfishly are Myles Kimmerly and Veronica Valley. Considering how many children access these parks CONSTANTLY, playgrounds, equipment and restrooms are so important to me. I'm sure a lot of thought was put into this; I just feel that our communities are lacking in playgrounds for the kids to use and would LOVE to see a great playground at Veronica Valley. I didn't even know they currently had playground equipment.

Thanks so much,
Ash

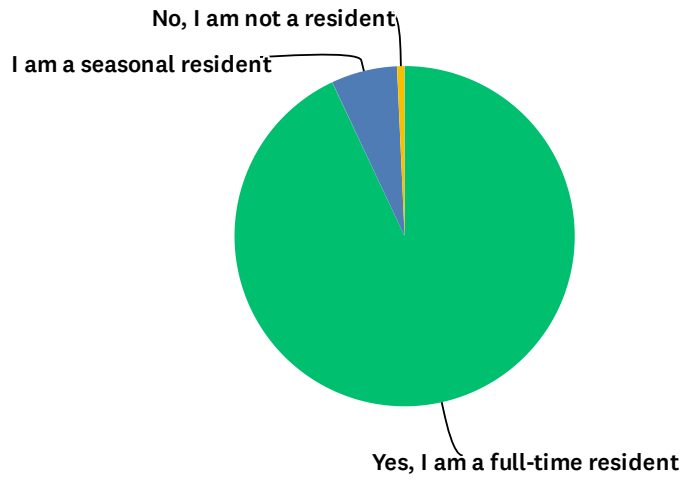
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Q1 Do you live in Leelanau County?

Answered: 143 Skipped: 1



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes, I am a full-time resident | 93.01% | 133 |
| I am a seasonal resident | 6.29% | 9 |
| No, I am not a resident | 0.70% | 1 |
| TOTAL | | 143 |

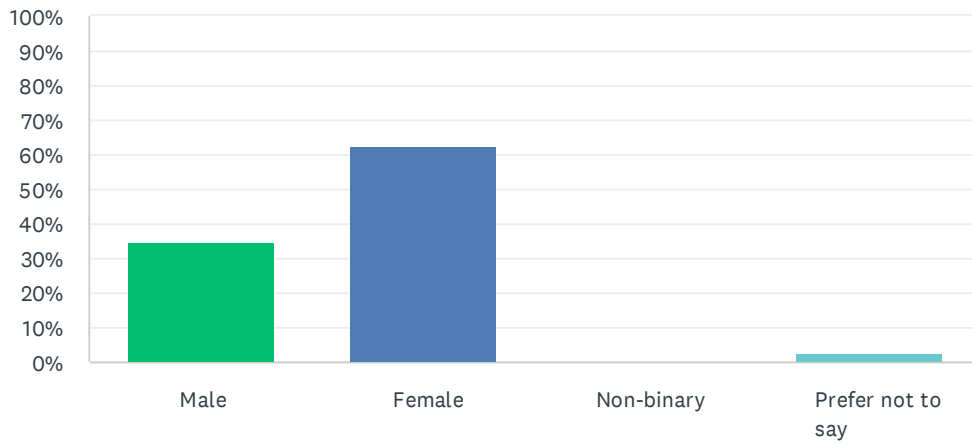
Q2 If you do not live in Leelanau County, where do you live?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 122

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| 3 | Chicago | 10/1/2024 8:39 PM |
| 4 | I live in Leelanau County, Empire Township | 9/26/2024 7:28 PM |
| 5 | Cedar | 9/25/2024 3:19 PM |
| 6 | 3581 W. Cheney Woods Trail, Maple City | 9/23/2024 5:06 PM |
| 7 | Barney Road, Traverse City. I work in Glen Arbor. | 9/23/2024 5:00 PM |
| 8 | Leelanau Township | 9/22/2024 10:08 PM |
| 9 | Traverse City | 9/22/2024 7:18 PM |
| 10 | Northport | 9/22/2024 5:49 PM |
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| 12 | Elmwood | 9/22/2024 1:45 PM |
| 13 | Na | 9/21/2024 9:05 AM |
| 14 | Village of Suttons Bay | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 15 | I spend my winters in Corvallis OR but vote in Leelanau County | 9/20/2024 8:26 AM |
| 16 | I live in Leelanau County | 9/19/2024 8:58 PM |
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| 18 | Glen Arbor | 9/19/2024 12:16 PM |
| 19 | cedar lake | 9/19/2024 8:56 AM |
| 20 | Grand Rapids, MI | 9/14/2024 11:47 AM |
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Q3 Are You:

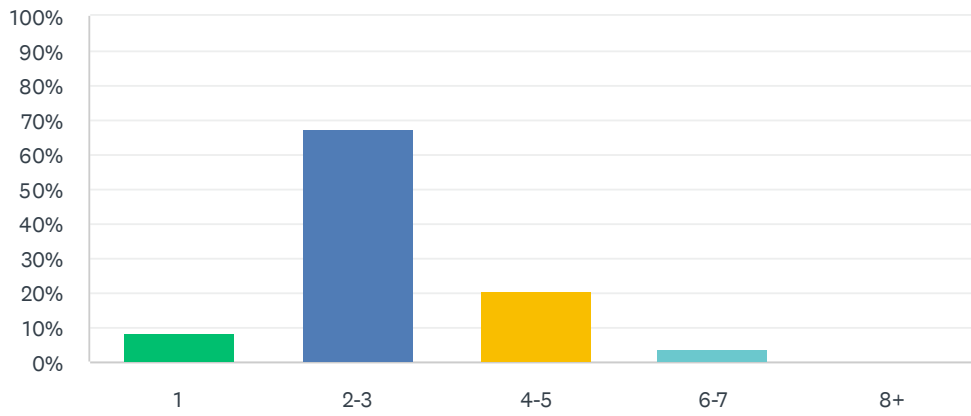
Answered: 141 Skipped: 3



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
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| Male | 34.75% | 49 |
| Female | 62.41% | 88 |
| Non-binary | 0.00% | 0 |
| Prefer not to say | 2.84% | 4 |
| Total Respondents: 141 | | |

Q4 How many people currently live in your household?

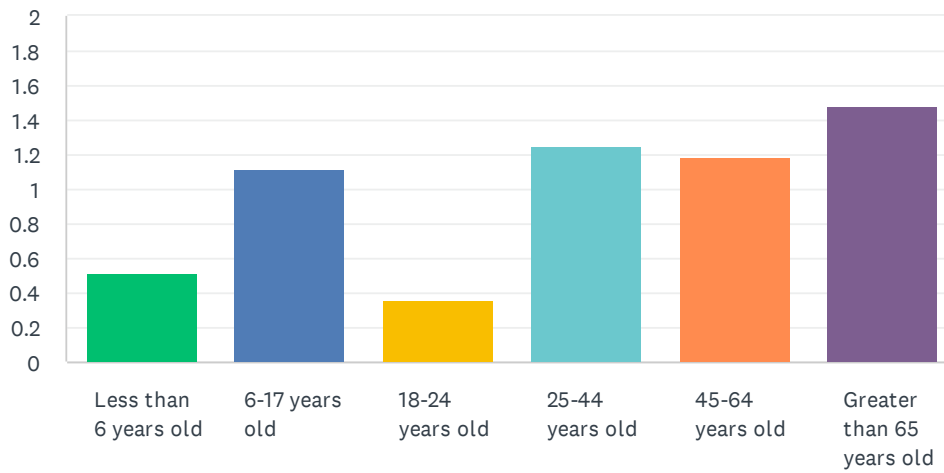
Answered: 140 Skipped: 4



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|----------------|------------|
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| 2-3 | 67.14% 94 |
| 4-5 | 20.71% 29 |
| 6-7 | 3.57% 5 |
| 8+ | 0.00% 0 |
| TOTAL | 140 |

Q5 How many people in your household are:

Answered: 143 Skipped: 1



| ANSWER CHOICES | AVERAGE NUMBER | TOTAL NUMBER | RESPONSES |
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| Less than 6 years old | 0.5 | 21 | 41 |
| 6-17 years old | 1.1 | 59 | 53 |
| 18-24 years old | 0.35 | 12 | 34 |
| 25-44 years old | 1.25 | 75 | 60 |
| 45-64 years old | 1.15 | 80 | 67 |
| Greater than 65 years old | 1.45 | 134 | 90 |
| Total Respondents: 143 | | | |

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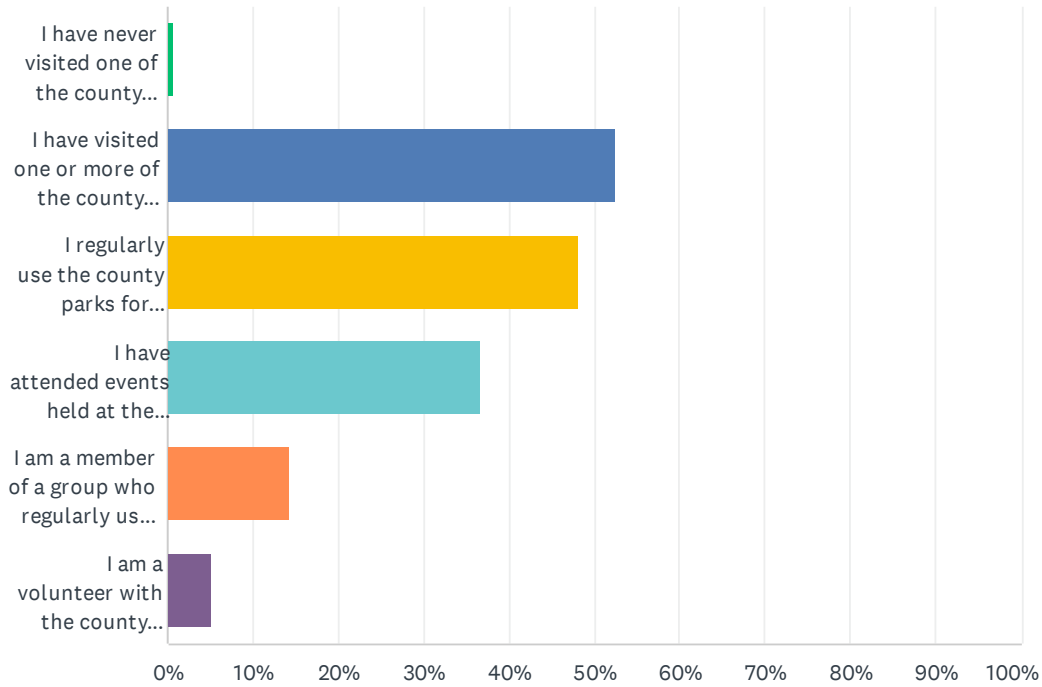
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| 34 | 2 | 9/22/2024 8:26 PM |
| 35 | 2 | 9/22/2024 8:19 PM |
| 36 | 1 | 9/22/2024 8:06 PM |
| 37 | 2 | 9/22/2024 7:36 PM |
| 38 | 1 | 9/22/2024 7:33 PM |
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| 40 | 2 | 9/22/2024 7:07 PM |
| 41 | 2 | 9/22/2024 6:37 PM |
| 42 | 2 | 9/22/2024 5:49 PM |
| 43 | 2 | 9/22/2024 5:35 PM |
| 44 | 2 | 9/22/2024 5:27 PM |
| 45 | 1 | 9/22/2024 5:27 PM |
| 46 | 1 | 9/22/2024 2:34 PM |
| 47 | 1 | 9/22/2024 1:45 PM |
| 48 | 1 | 9/21/2024 3:10 PM |
| 49 | 2 | 9/21/2024 9:05 AM |
| 50 | 0 | 9/20/2024 11:04 PM |
| 51 | 2 | 9/20/2024 7:39 PM |
| 52 | 2 | 9/20/2024 7:09 PM |
| 53 | 2 | 9/20/2024 2:58 PM |
| 54 | 2 | 9/20/2024 2:29 PM |
| 55 | 1 | 9/20/2024 2:24 PM |
| 56 | 1 | 9/20/2024 11:16 AM |
| 57 | 1 | 9/20/2024 8:26 AM |

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| 58 | 1 | 9/19/2024 9:23 PM |
| 59 | 1 | 9/19/2024 2:39 PM |
| 60 | 2 | 9/19/2024 1:55 PM |
| 61 | 0 | 9/19/2024 1:27 PM |
| 62 | 1 | 9/19/2024 12:18 PM |
| 63 | 2 | 9/19/2024 12:16 PM |
| 64 | 2 | 9/19/2024 12:06 PM |
| 65 | 1 | 9/19/2024 9:17 AM |
| 66 | 1 | 9/19/2024 8:56 AM |
| 67 | 1 | 9/19/2024 8:36 AM |
| 68 | 2 | 9/18/2024 11:10 PM |
| 69 | 2 | 9/18/2024 4:05 PM |
| 70 | 2 | 9/18/2024 3:34 PM |
| 71 | 0 | 9/18/2024 1:34 PM |
| 72 | 0 | 9/18/2024 1:04 PM |
| 73 | 2 | 9/18/2024 10:59 AM |
| 74 | 1 | 9/18/2024 10:54 AM |
| 75 | 2 | 9/18/2024 9:36 AM |
| 76 | 2 | 9/18/2024 9:08 AM |
| 77 | 2 | 9/18/2024 4:28 AM |
| 78 | 2 | 9/17/2024 11:48 PM |
| 79 | 2 | 9/15/2024 7:58 PM |
| 80 | 1 | 9/15/2024 11:37 AM |
| 81 | 1 | 9/15/2024 9:05 AM |
| 82 | 0 | 9/14/2024 11:47 AM |
| 83 | 2 | 9/14/2024 10:11 AM |
| 84 | 1 | 9/14/2024 8:50 AM |
| 85 | 2 | 9/14/2024 7:44 AM |
| 86 | 1 | 9/13/2024 8:29 PM |
| 87 | 1 | 9/13/2024 8:24 PM |
| 88 | 1 | 9/13/2024 10:03 AM |
| 89 | 2 | 9/12/2024 9:41 PM |
| 90 | 2 | 9/12/2024 3:14 PM |

Q6 What best describes your relationship with the Leelanau County Parks?

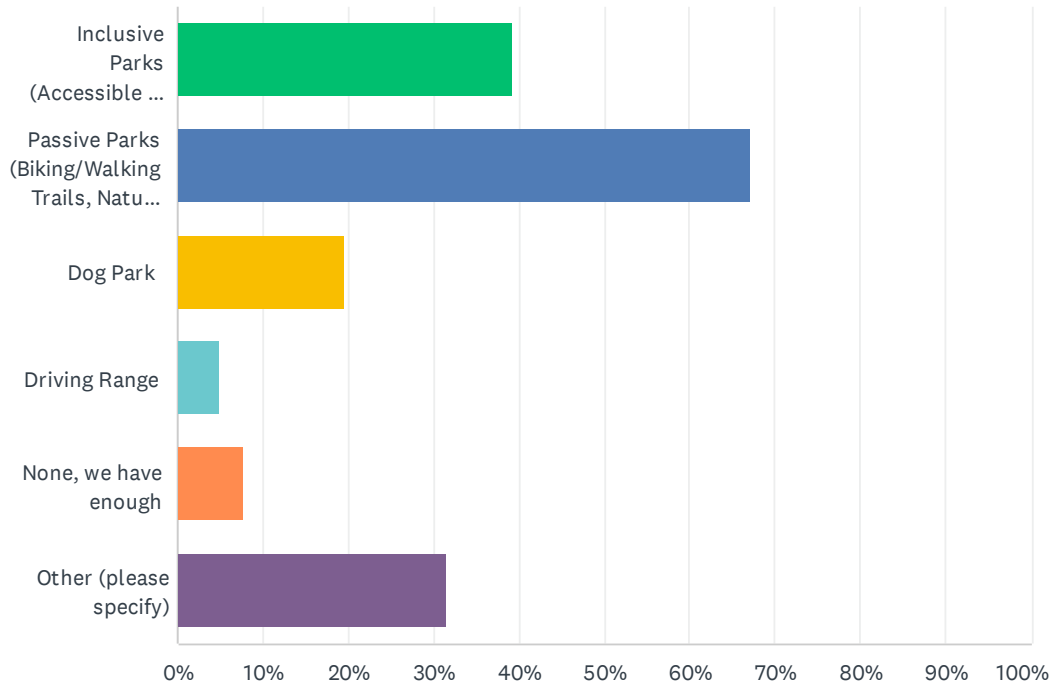
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| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
|--|-----------|----|
| I have never visited one of the county parks | 0.72% | 1 |
| I have visited one or more of the county parks | 52.52% | 73 |
| I regularly use the county parks for personal recreation | 48.20% | 67 |
| I have attended events held at the county parks | 36.69% | 51 |
| I am a member of a group who regularly uses the county parks | 14.39% | 20 |
| I am a volunteer with the county parks | 5.04% | 7 |
| Total Respondents: 139 | | |

Q7 What additional types of new parks/facilities would you most like to see in the County?

Answered: 143 Skipped: 1



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|--|-----------|
| Inclusive Parks (Accessible and used by people with all abilities) | 39.16% 56 |
| Passive Parks (Biking/Walking Trails, Natural Areas) | 67.13% 96 |
| Dog Park | 19.58% 28 |
| Driving Range | 4.90% 7 |
| None, we have enough | 7.69% 11 |
| Other (please specify) | 31.47% 45 |
| Total Respondents: 143 | |

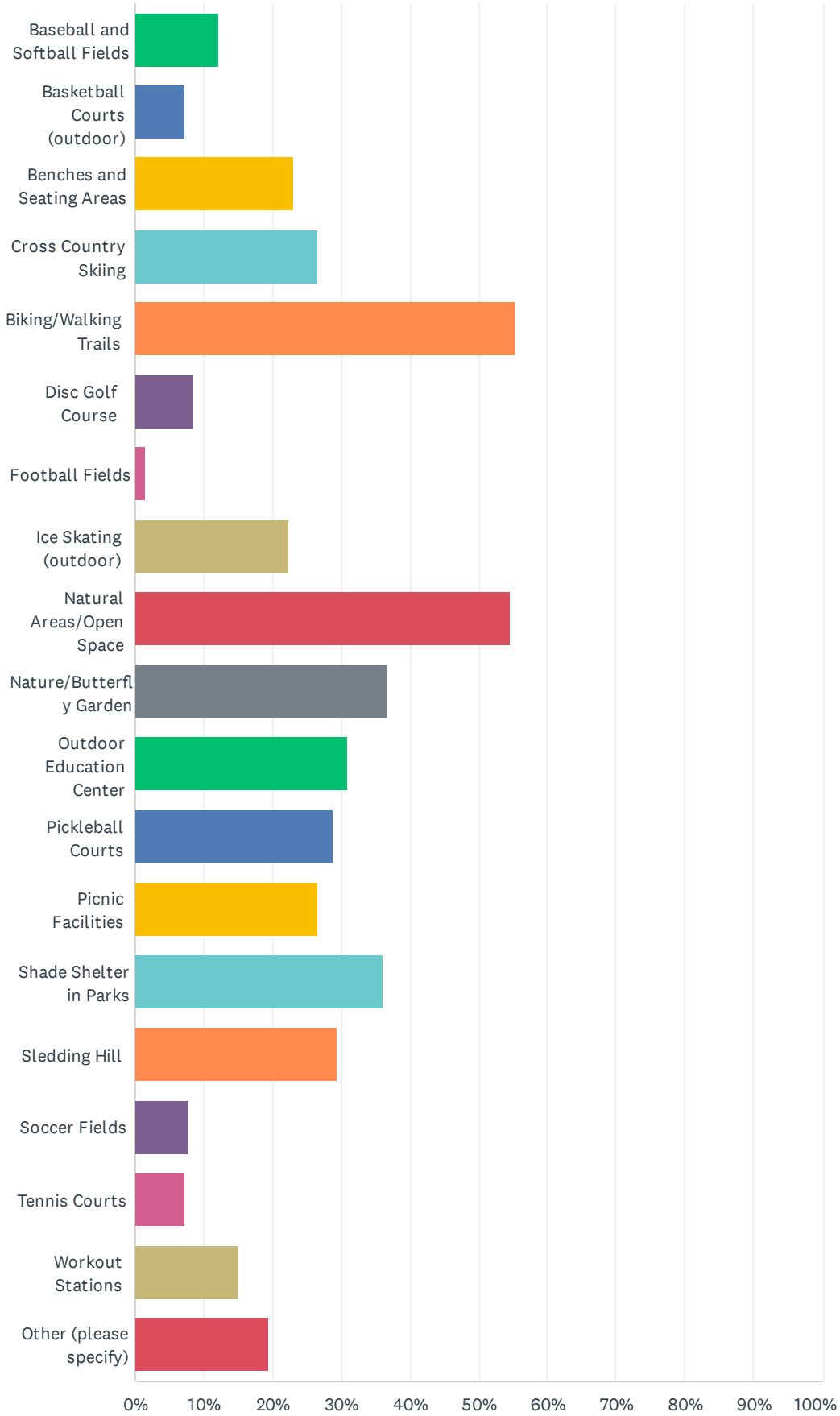
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|---|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Trails and paths connecting parks and communities | 10/5/2024 11:19 AM |
| 2 | Better shared sports fields and playgrounds | 10/4/2024 4:33 PM |
| 3 | Up to date playground and sports facilities, improved restrooms | 10/4/2024 3:36 PM |
| 4 | Pickleball, more/better children's play equipment | 10/4/2024 7:58 AM |
| 5 | Archery range, mountain bike trails | 10/2/2024 8:19 PM |
| 6 | Great playgrounds for kids of all ages (some also geared toward younger kids and toddlers); disc golf courses | 10/1/2024 7:10 PM |

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| 7 | Playground | 9/30/2024 2:36 PM |
| 8 | Water /non-motorized use facilities (canoes, kayaks, rowing, etc) | 9/30/2024 2:12 PM |
| 9 | bathrooms at the Poor Farm Barn | 9/30/2024 10:14 AM |
| 10 | Pickleball courts | 9/28/2024 11:21 PM |
| 11 | Playground for children under 5 years | 9/28/2024 2:44 PM |
| 12 | Less biking, more walking and natural areas | 9/27/2024 9:59 PM |
| 13 | recognize No. Side of Co Rd. 616 as the Agricultural Heritage site within our parks | 9/27/2024 2:29 PM |
| 14 | Running trails | 9/27/2024 8:12 AM |
| 15 | More soccer fields, playgrounds | 9/27/2024 5:23 AM |
| 16 | I would like to see better utilization of our existing parks. More investment in scheduling activities for all ages, and better communication about what is available in our parks. | 9/26/2024 7:28 PM |
| 17 | We have too many already esp. with Sleeping Bear National Park. | 9/26/2024 7:27 PM |
| 18 | trail connections from parks to villages | 9/26/2024 2:27 PM |
| 19 | Children and youth sport teams, i e skating | 9/25/2024 11:06 AM |
| 20 | pickleball, tennis | 9/24/2024 6:24 PM |
| 21 | Roller rink and tennis courts | 9/24/2024 5:55 PM |
| 22 | Boat launches | 9/24/2024 5:34 PM |
| 23 | Pickleball courts. | 9/24/2024 3:21 PM |
| 24 | Pickleball courts | 9/23/2024 6:25 PM |
| 25 | pickleball courts | 9/23/2024 5:06 PM |
| 26 | Pickleball courts at Miles Kimberly park. | 9/23/2024 4:58 PM |
| 27 | Indoor swimming pools | 9/22/2024 11:10 PM |
| 28 | Edible trails and butterfly garden | 9/22/2024 7:18 PM |
| 29 | renovation and pickleball courts at Miles Kimmerly | 9/22/2024 7:07 PM |
| 30 | Pickleball | 9/22/2024 1:45 PM |
| 31 | Dog friendly beach | 9/22/2024 9:35 AM |
| 32 | Signage at Myles Kemberly, Veronica Valley and Herman park that clearly states that Hunting is allowed. | 9/21/2024 6:03 AM |
| 33 | Stage for performances or shows | 9/20/2024 2:24 PM |
| 34 | Mountain Biking Trails / Pump Track | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 35 | Road ends on Glen Lake need to be protected for the public and not usurped by neighboring property owners. | 9/19/2024 1:55 PM |
| 36 | Please replace the worn out infrastructures | 9/19/2024 12:18 PM |
| 37 | Pickleball courts | 9/19/2024 12:06 PM |
| 38 | Parks that model nature preservation activities so visitors can take knowledge home and enrich the whole county | 9/18/2024 4:05 PM |
| 39 | Pickleball | 9/18/2024 3:34 PM |
| 40 | Skate Park, Pickleball Courts, Better Restrooms | 9/18/2024 11:45 AM |
| 41 | mountain bike trails | 9/18/2024 11:11 AM |
| 42 | Movies in the park | 9/18/2024 10:00 AM |

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| 43 | I would love to see the addition of community gardens that us locals can use to grow our own vegetables and visit with other gardeners | 9/18/2024 4:28 AM |
| 44 | Historic/cultural programming/educational programs | 9/13/2024 8:24 PM |
| 45 | Especially want Pickleball courts added to Myles Kimmerly Park | 9/12/2024 3:14 PM |

Q8 Which of the following activities would you most like to see expanded or added in the County?

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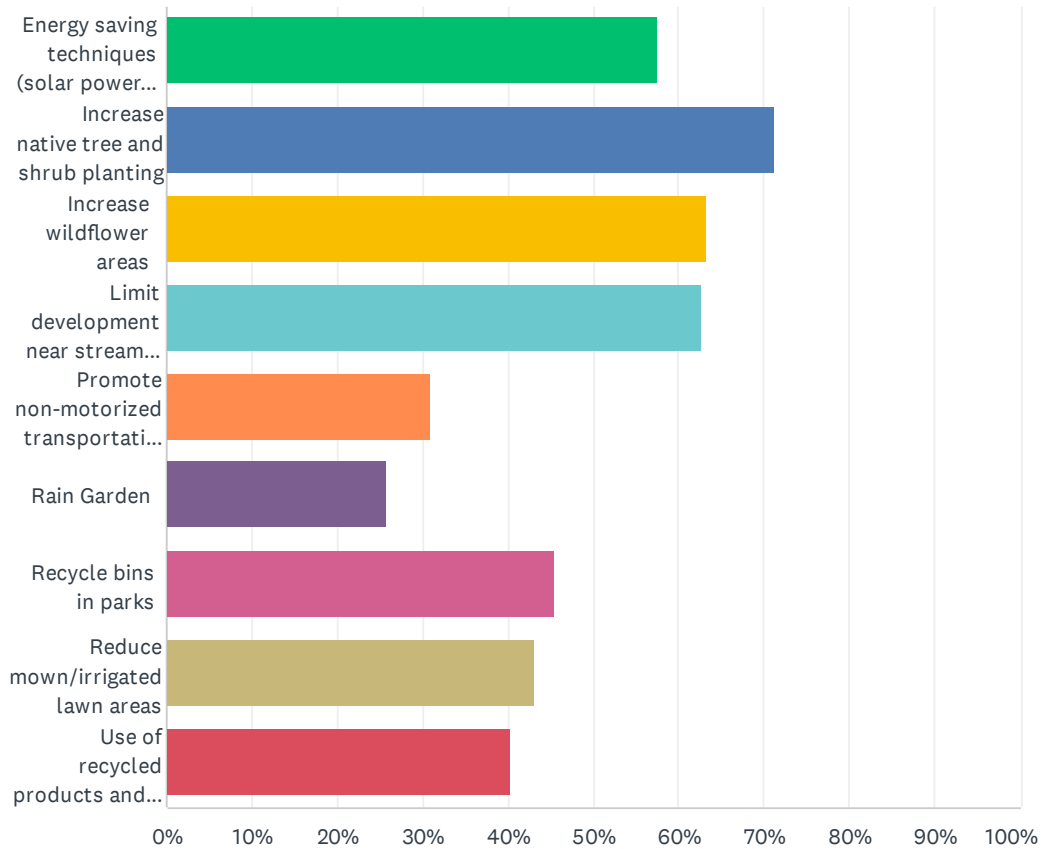
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Baseball and Softball Fields | 12.23% 17 |
| Basketball Courts (outdoor) | 7.19% 10 |
| Benches and Seating Areas | 23.02% 32 |
| Cross Country Skiing | 26.62% 37 |
| Biking/Walking Trails | 55.40% 77 |
| Disc Golf Course | 8.63% 12 |
| Football Fields | 1.44% 2 |
| Ice Skating (outdoor) | 22.30% 31 |
| Natural Areas/Open Space | 54.68% 76 |
| Nature/Butterfly Garden | 36.69% 51 |
| Outdoor Education Center | 30.94% 43 |
| Pickleball Courts | 28.78% 40 |
| Picnic Facilities | 26.62% 37 |
| Shade Shelter in Parks | 35.97% 50 |
| Sledding Hill | 29.50% 41 |
| Soccer Fields | 7.91% 11 |
| Tennis Courts | 7.19% 10 |
| Workout Stations | 15.11% 21 |
| Other (please specify) | 19.42% 27 |
| Total Respondents: 139 | |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) | DATE |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1 | Interpretive trails (history and culture) | 10/5/2024 11:19 AM |
| 2 | Playground equipment | 10/4/2024 3:36 PM |
| 3 | Dog park | 10/4/2024 7:58 AM |
| 4 | Community swimming pool | 10/3/2024 9:30 PM |
| 5 | archery/shooting range | 10/2/2024 8:19 PM |
| 6 | No more pickleball! We have enough! | 10/1/2024 7:10 PM |
| 7 | Playground equipment | 9/30/2024 2:36 PM |
| 8 | Non-motorized water recreation- rowing, kayaking canoeing etc areas | 9/30/2024 2:12 PM |
| 9 | Parks mission TO Include EDUCATION and ENTERTAINMENT | 9/30/2024 10:14 AM |
| 10 | Agriculture Heritage; leelanau Co heritage (past Poor Farm site as Leelanau Heritage | 9/27/2024 2:29 PM |
| 11 | Running trails | 9/27/2024 8:12 AM |
| 12 | All of these activities would be great. But there is no infrasturture to make them happen at the county level. Until that problem is solved, this is all just fishing. | 9/26/2024 7:28 PM |

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| 13 | Boat launches | 9/24/2024 5:34 PM |
| 14 | Pickleball at Miles Kimberly | 9/23/2024 4:58 PM |
| 15 | Swimming pools | 9/22/2024 11:10 PM |
| 16 | Restrooms at/near trailheads | 9/22/2024 5:27 PM |
| 17 | Public outdoor pool | 9/21/2024 10:28 AM |
| 18 | Signage that indicates Hunting is allowed. | 9/21/2024 6:03 AM |
| 19 | Habitat restoration | 9/20/2024 11:04 PM |
| 20 | a stage to hold musical, theatre, etc. | 9/20/2024 2:24 PM |
| 21 | Mountain Biking and Fat Tire Biking in Winter. We have enough Pickleball courts | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 22 | Music | 9/19/2024 12:18 PM |
| 23 | playground equipment for children of all ages | 9/18/2024 4:27 PM |
| 24 | Skate Park | 9/18/2024 11:45 AM |
| 25 | Movies in the park | 9/18/2024 10:00 AM |
| 26 | Up dated children climbing and fun things to play on | 9/15/2024 9:05 AM |
| 27 | Walking, NOT biking trails | 9/14/2024 7:44 AM |

Q9 Please indicate which green initiatives you think would be most effective.

Answered: 139 Skipped: 5



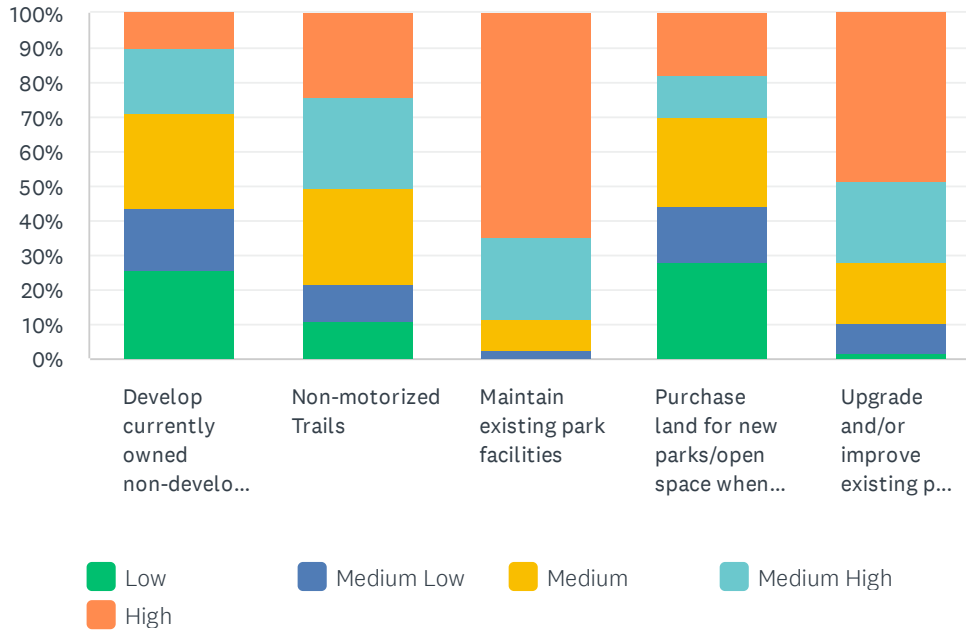
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
|--|-----------|----|
| Energy saving techniques (solar power, LED lights, timers, etc.) | 57.55% | 80 |
| Increase native tree and shrub planting | 71.22% | 99 |
| Increase wildflower areas | 63.31% | 88 |
| Limit development near stream channels and/or wetlands | 62.59% | 87 |
| Promote non-motorized transportation to parks | 30.94% | 43 |
| Rain Garden | 25.90% | 36 |
| Recycle bins in parks | 45.32% | 63 |
| Reduce mown/irrigated lawn areas | 43.17% | 60 |
| Use of recycled products and materials | 40.29% | 56 |
| Total Respondents: 139 | | |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) | DATE |
|---|------------------------|------|
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|----|--|--------------------|
| 1 | Sponsorship/ stewardship for areas (local pride in ownership) | 10/5/2024 11:19 AM |
| 2 | Less sand filling at the suttons bay beach, more nature and trees there. | 10/3/2024 9:30 PM |
| 3 | New composting toilets | 10/3/2024 3:57 PM |
| 4 | possible access to public/ Leelanau Co organizational -- gardening areas | 9/27/2024 2:29 PM |
| 5 | All of these initiatives are important, and it is difficult to prioritize with no support system in place to make them happen. | 9/26/2024 7:28 PM |
| 6 | Nuclear power is the best of all energy sources. | 9/26/2024 7:27 PM |
| 7 | I don't care about any of the above. | 9/23/2024 5:06 PM |
| 8 | Remove poison ivy near bike rack area. While playing tennis in the downtown park, balls regularly get hit into the poison ivy. | 9/23/2024 5:00 PM |
| 9 | Great list | 9/22/2024 7:18 PM |
| 10 | Speed limits on bike trails | 9/22/2024 1:45 PM |
| 11 | Dark skies compliance. | 9/20/2024 11:16 AM |
| 12 | Use of green initiatives for park development and maintenance makes sense in any form | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 13 | Use of pervious pavement and other water absorbing materials for construction | 9/19/2024 9:17 AM |
| 14 | Green initiatives are all well and good, I'm all for upgrading lighting and making recycling available. But, until we can get the maintenance functional it doesn't make sense to add to anyone's workload | 9/18/2024 10:00 AM |
| 15 | Educational displays that help visitors learn about these initiatives | 9/13/2024 8:24 PM |

Q10 Please rate, in order of priority, how you feel park funding should be spent.

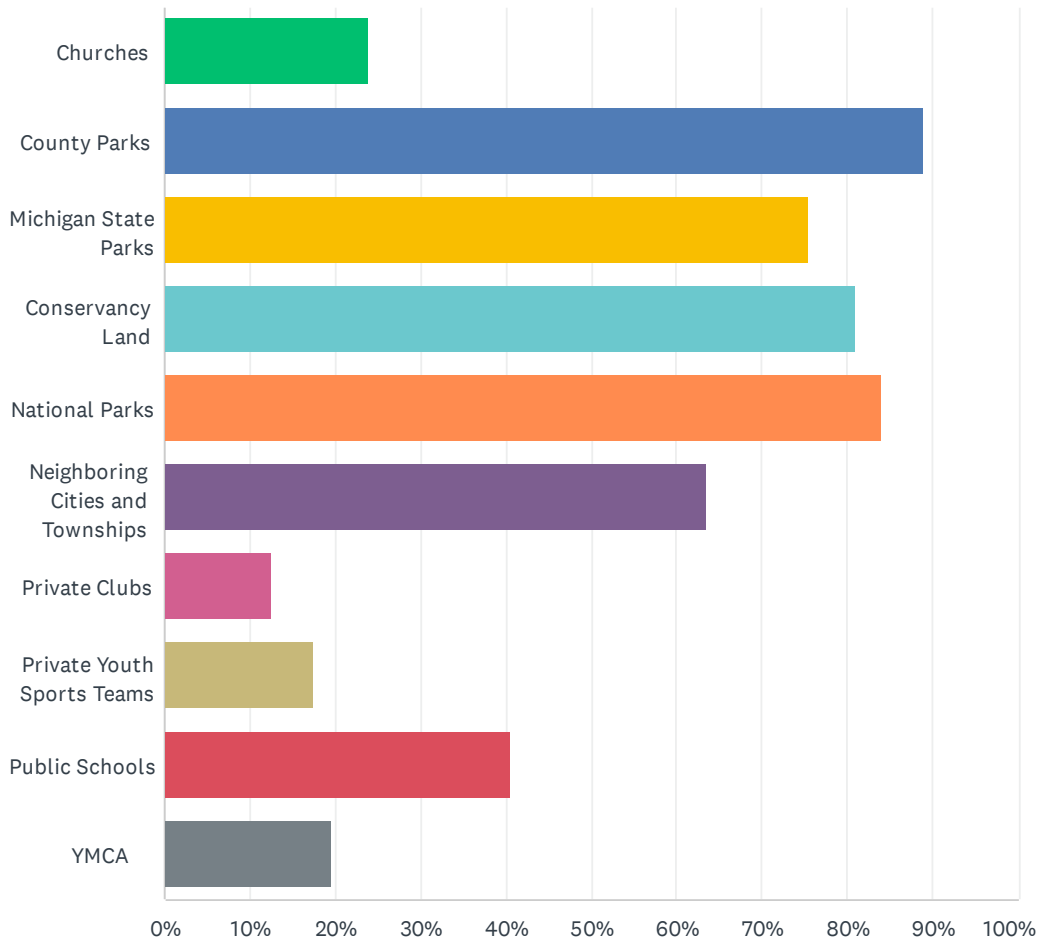
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| | LOW | MEDIUM LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM HIGH | HIGH | TOTAL |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| Develop currently owned non-developed land | 25.55% 35 | 18.25% 25 | 27.01% 37 | 18.98% 26 | 10.22% 14 | 137 |
| Non-motorized Trails | 11.28% 15 | 10.53% 14 | 27.82% 37 | 26.32% 35 | 24.06% 32 | 133 |
| Maintain existing park facilities | 0.00% 0 | 2.88% 4 | 8.63% 12 | 23.74% 33 | 64.75% 90 | 139 |
| Purchase land for new parks/open space when available | 27.94% 38 | 16.18% 22 | 25.74% 35 | 12.50% 17 | 17.65% 24 | 136 |
| Upgrade and/or improve existing park facilities | 1.43% 2 | 9.29% 13 | 17.14% 24 | 23.57% 33 | 48.57% 68 | 140 |

Q11 Check all of the organizations that you or members of your household have used for indoor and outdoor recreation activities during the last 12 months.

Answered: 143 Skipped: 1

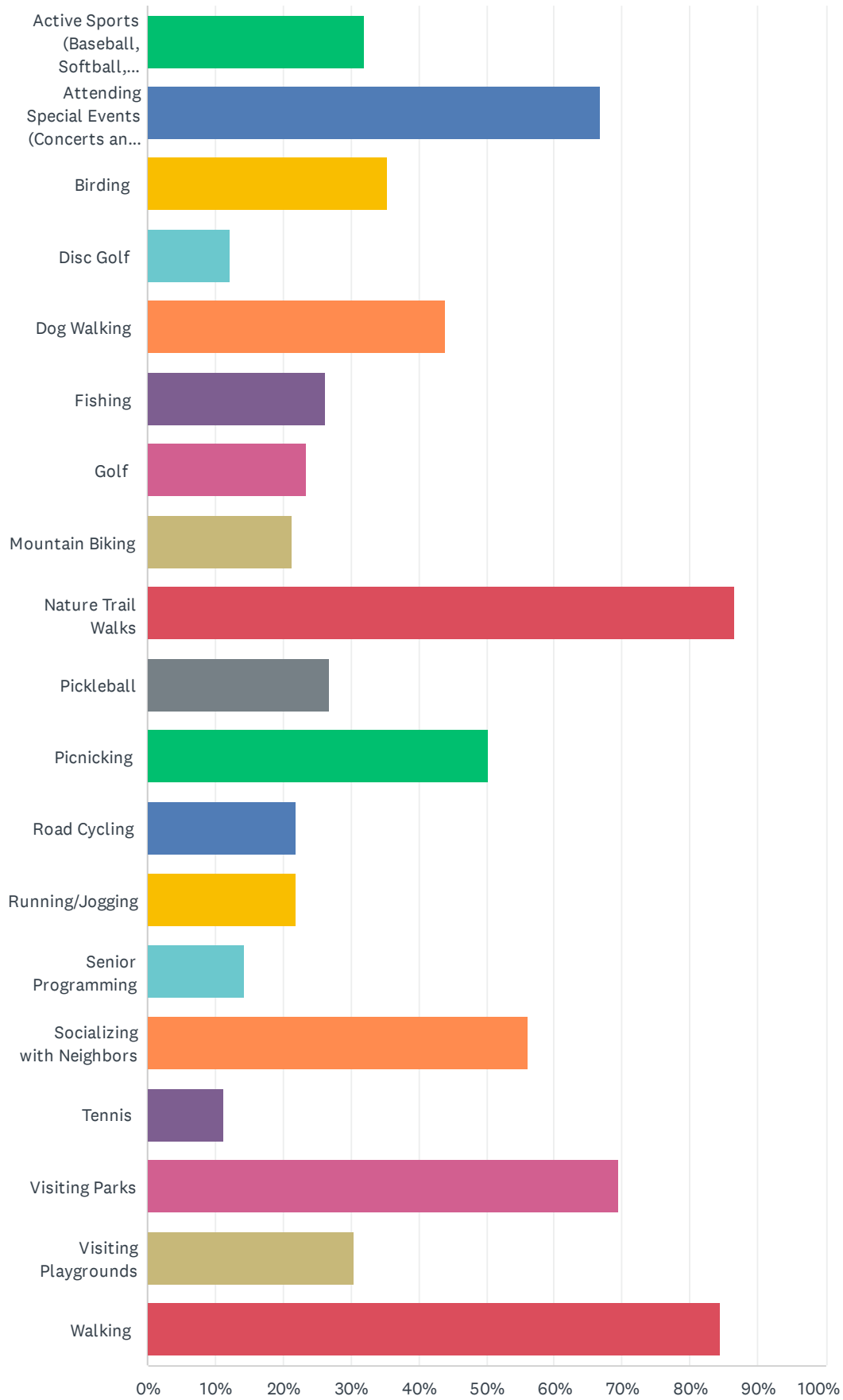


| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Churches | 23.78% 34 |
| County Parks | 88.81% 127 |
| Michigan State Parks | 75.52% 108 |
| Conservancy Land | 81.12% 116 |
| National Parks | 83.92% 120 |
| Neighboring Cities and Townships | 63.64% 91 |
| Private Clubs | 12.59% 18 |
| Private Youth Sports Teams | 17.48% 25 |
| Public Schools | 40.56% 58 |
| YMCA | 19.58% 28 |
| Total Respondents: 143 | |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) | DATE |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1 | 4-H | 10/5/2024 11:19 AM |
| 2 | Leelanau Trail | 10/3/2024 9:24 PM |
| 3 | Tribal land | 10/1/2024 7:10 PM |
| 4 | THERE ARE NO COUNTY PARKS WITH INDOOR ACTIVITIES | 9/30/2024 10:14 AM |
| 5 | youth engagement; history & heritage designated sites in co. | 9/27/2024 2:29 PM |
| 6 | Public Library (Leland) and historical museum(s) | 9/27/2024 10:24 AM |
| 7 | My 3 sons attended Glen Lake Schools. Two of them played tennis for the community high school tennis team. | 9/23/2024 5:00 PM |
| 8 | boat launches | 9/22/2024 9:02 PM |
| 9 | Temple | 9/22/2024 8:55 PM |
| 10 | Trail networks TOMMBA (Petoskey area), Noquemanon (Marquette), Glacial Hills, Palmer Woods | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 11 | Township parks | 9/19/2024 12:16 PM |
| 12 | I will choose Glen Lake school playground over Myles Kimmerly every single time. Myles Kimmerly is so dilapidated, and the bathrooms are awful. | 9/18/2024 10:00 AM |
| 13 | Yoga studio | 9/13/2024 1:34 PM |

Q12 Please indicate activities you and/or members of your household enjoy:

Answered: 141 Skipped: 3



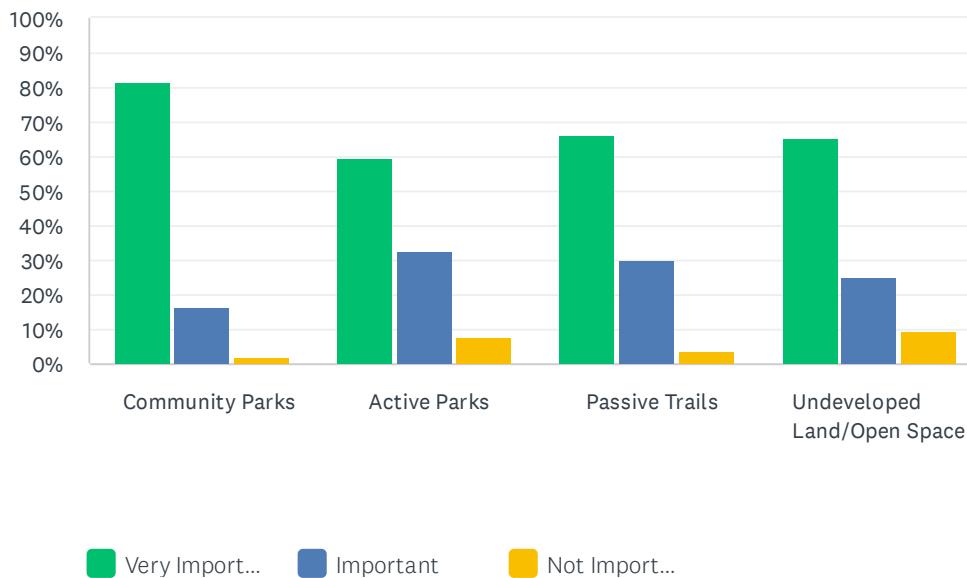
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
|--|-----------|-----|
| Active Sports (Baseball, Softball, Basketball, Soccer, Football, etc.) | 31.91% | 45 |
| Attending Special Events (Concerts and Movies, etc.) | 66.67% | 94 |
| Birding | 35.46% | 50 |
| Disc Golf | 12.06% | 17 |
| Dog Walking | 43.97% | 62 |
| Fishing | 26.24% | 37 |
| Golf | 23.40% | 33 |
| Mountain Biking | 21.28% | 30 |
| Nature Trail Walks | 86.52% | 122 |
| Pickleball | 26.95% | 38 |
| Picnicking | 50.35% | 71 |
| Road Cycling | 21.99% | 31 |
| Running/Jogging | 21.99% | 31 |
| Senior Programming | 14.18% | 20 |
| Socializing with Neighbors | 56.03% | 79 |
| Tennis | 11.35% | 16 |
| Visiting Parks | 69.50% | 98 |
| Visiting Playgrounds | 30.50% | 43 |
| Walking | 84.40% | 119 |
| Total Respondents: 141 | | |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) | DATE |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Dog parks | 10/15/2024 8:46 AM |
| 2 | Trail maintenance and advocacy | 10/5/2024 11:19 AM |
| 3 | ice skating | 10/4/2024 3:36 PM |
| 4 | Mountain biking should only be considered in special circumstances, it is a high impact to natural areas | 10/3/2024 9:30 PM |
| 5 | Tart and Leelanau Trail Cycling. Not road, not mountain. :) | 10/3/2024 9:24 PM |
| 6 | archery, target shooting | 10/2/2024 8:19 PM |
| 7 | Skiing | 10/1/2024 8:39 PM |
| 8 | Swimming | 10/1/2024 7:10 PM |
| 9 | Rowing, canoeing | 9/30/2024 2:12 PM |
| 10 | volunteering with Row x Row nonprofit gardens at Myles Kimmerly --and providing this produce/flowers to neighbors and those in need | 9/27/2024 2:29 PM |
| 11 | swimming | 9/27/2024 10:24 AM |
| 12 | Roller skating | 9/24/2024 5:55 PM |

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|----|--|--------------------|
| 13 | Sculling on Glen Lake with the Northern Michigan Rowing Club | 9/23/2024 4:58 PM |
| 14 | cross country skiing, boating | 9/22/2024 9:02 PM |
| 15 | Cycling on bike trails (not mountain biking or biking on the road) | 9/21/2024 3:10 PM |
| 16 | Cross-country Skiing | 9/21/2024 10:28 AM |
| 17 | Hunting and target shooting | 9/21/2024 6:03 AM |
| 18 | Swimming | 9/20/2024 11:04 PM |
| 19 | Dancing | 9/20/2024 2:24 PM |
| 20 | Paddle sports - many areas creating paddle trails and networks | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 21 | bicycle riding on trails | 9/19/2024 8:56 AM |
| 22 | Sailing, Skating | 9/18/2024 11:45 AM |
| 23 | Movies in the park | 9/18/2024 10:00 AM |
| 24 | meditation, art/nature drawing, dancing (all done in parks) | 9/18/2024 9:23 AM |
| 25 | Kayaking, paddle boards, beach activities | 9/18/2024 9:08 AM |

Q13 How important is it to have the following in Leelanau County:

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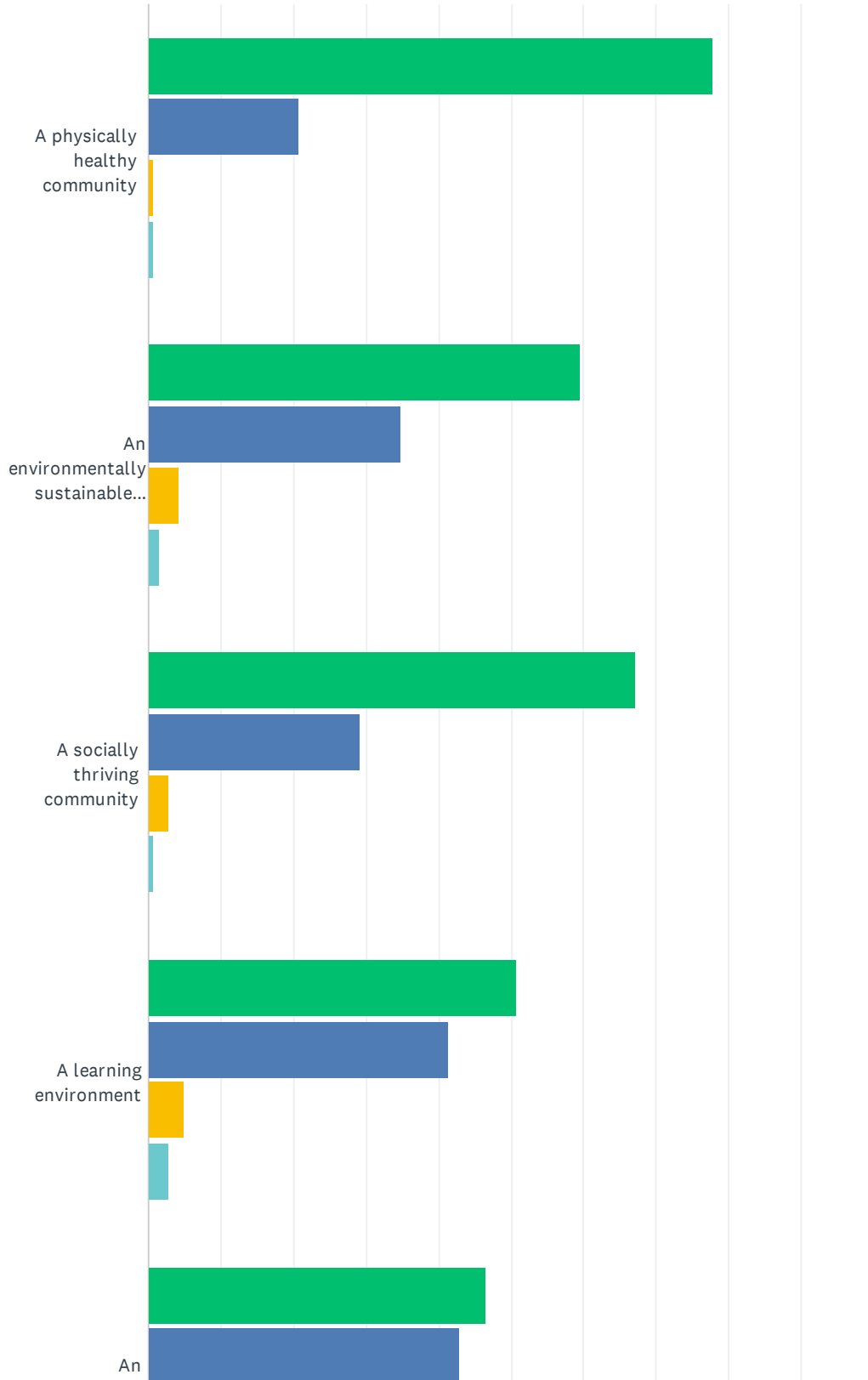


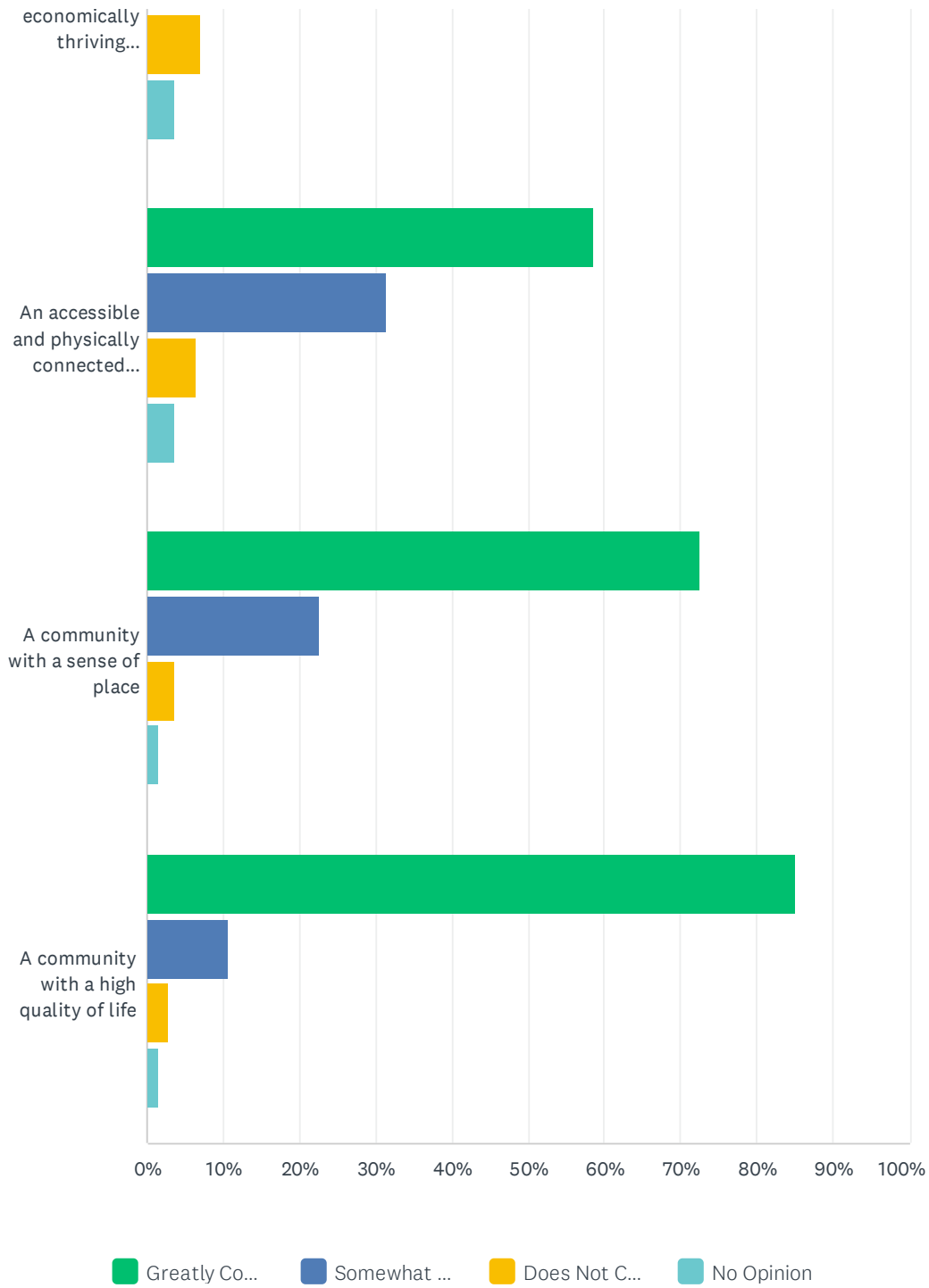
| | VERY IMPORTANT | IMPORTANT | NOT IMPORTANT | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|-------|------------------|
| Community Parks | 81.69% 116 | 16.20% 23 | 2.11% 3 | 142 | 1.20 |
| Active Parks | 59.42% 82 | 32.61% 45 | 7.97% 11 | 138 | 1.49 |
| Passive Trails | 66.43% 93 | 30.00% 42 | 3.57% 5 | 140 | 1.37 |
| Undeveloped Land/Open Space | 65.22% 90 | 25.36% 35 | 9.42% 13 | 138 | 1.44 |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) | DATE |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Dog parks | 10/15/2024 8:46 AM |
| 2 | Playgrounds associated with school areas | 10/5/2024 11:19 AM |
| 3 | I am anti-concrete for bike trails through the forest. I see no need to whiz through the natural habitat while others are leisurely walking and observing nature. | 9/27/2024 9:59 PM |
| 4 | PUBLIC RESTROOMS IN PARKS!!!! | 9/27/2024 10:24 AM |
| 5 | Not sure what the last one is, "Undeveloped Land/Open Space - it seems that this is mostly taken up by the Leelanau Land Conservancy, which is not necessarily a bad think but I'm not sure how the average citizen would take advantage of Undeveloped Land/Open Space | 9/26/2024 7:28 PM |
| 6 | parks near community centers | 9/26/2024 2:27 PM |
| 7 | What is an "active park"? | 9/20/2024 11:04 PM |
| 8 | a balance so there is something for everyone.Marquette trails allow bikes and hiking and no issues. enough trails for everyone to spread out. | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 9 | Myles Kimmerly has everything, needs to be upgraded | 9/19/2024 12:06 PM |
| 10 | Picnic areas, clean restrooms | 9/18/2024 10:00 AM |

Q14 To what degree do you think parks and trails contribute to the County being....

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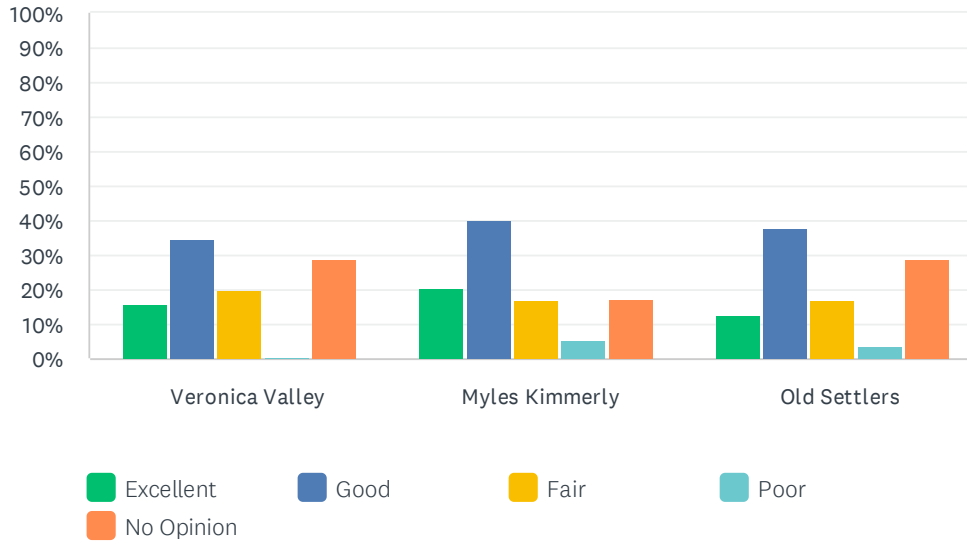




| | GREATLY CONTRIBUTES | SOMEWHAT CONTRIBUTES | DOES NOT CONTRIBUTE | NO OPINION | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| A physically healthy community | 77.86% 109 | 20.71% 29 | 0.71% 1 | 0.71% 1 | 140 | 1.24 |
| An environmentally sustainable community | 59.42% 82 | 34.78% 48 | 4.35% 6 | 1.45% 2 | 138 | 1.48 |
| A socially thriving community | 67.14% 94 | 29.29% 41 | 2.86% 4 | 0.71% 1 | 140 | 1.37 |
| A learning environment | 50.71% 71 | 41.43% 58 | 5.00% 7 | 2.86% 4 | 140 | 1.60 |
| An economically thriving community | 46.43% 65 | 42.86% 60 | 7.14% 10 | 3.57% 5 | 140 | 1.68 |
| An accessible and physically connected community | 58.57% 82 | 31.43% 44 | 6.43% 9 | 3.57% 5 | 140 | 1.55 |
| A community with a sense of place | 72.54% 103 | 22.54% 32 | 3.52% 5 | 1.41% 2 | 142 | 1.34 |
| A community with a high quality of life | 85.11% 120 | 10.64% 15 | 2.84% 4 | 1.42% 2 | 141 | 1.21 |

Q15 How would you rate the maintenance of the Leelanau County parks you have visited?

Answered: 143 Skipped: 1



| | EXCELLENT | GOOD | FAIR | POOR | NO OPINION | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------|------------------|
| Veronica Valley | 15.83% 22 | 34.53% 48 | 20.14% 28 | 0.72% 1 | 28.78% 40 | 139 | 2.92 |
| Myles Kimmerly | 20.44% 28 | 40.15% 55 | 16.79% 23 | 5.11% 7 | 17.52% 24 | 137 | 2.59 |
| Old Settlers | 12.41% 17 | 37.96% 52 | 16.79% 23 | 3.65% 5 | 29.20% 40 | 137 | 2.99 |

Q16 Thank you for your participation. If you have additional comments or suggestions please feel free to use the space below.

Answered: 48 Skipped: 96

| # | RESPONSES | DATE |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1 | We really need the dog park planned by Myles Kimmerly park. Please install. Raise donations - whatever it needs to get it put in. | 10/15/2024 8:46 AM |
| 2 | Looking forward to seeing the results of these surveys made public | 10/5/2024 11:19 AM |
| 3 | Leland's Hancock park is in need of serious investment. It gets used all the time but is run down and requires improvements. Other surrounding parks seems to get money invested in them but not Hancock or Neddows. | 10/4/2024 4:33 PM |
| 4 | Surprised not to see Leland's hancock park on the list of public parks above. Hancock park is one of the most frequented parks in Leland yet has the poorest, most inadequate facilities to serve the large demand in the community for playground, sports fields, and recreation. Just look to the thriving and updated parks of nearby Glen Arbor and Suttons Bay to see the immense benefits a fully updated park add to a community. There is a groundswell of support for investing in improved parks here in Leland and in the county to serve the growing number of families with children of all ages, and year-round and summer population alike. We would definitely vote for a mileage increase to help improve our public parks. | 10/4/2024 3:36 PM |
| 5 | Thank you for all you do! Hoping for more green space to add to the counties portfolio! | 10/3/2024 9:30 PM |
| 6 | We are in Leelanau Township. We have plenty of Conservancy parks, Township parks, and the State park, but we are 30 minutes away or more from the County parks. I fantasize about a bike path in the north end of this county. All of the trimming along the roadsides a few months ago really got me excited about the possibility. | 10/3/2024 9:24 PM |
| 7 | Focus needs to be on improving parks versus creating new parks. Current parks are an embarrassment. Our community deserves better. | 10/3/2024 9:12 PM |
| 8 | Please upgrade/maintain bathrooms at Myles Kimmerly. The choices of leaning porta potties or pit toilets with poop smeared walls for all the events that happen there is discouraging. Upgrading the baseball fields to match the immaculate soccer fields would be nice too. | 10/3/2024 3:57 PM |
| 9 | i | 10/3/2024 12:44 PM |
| 10 | THE COUNTY NEEDS TO HIRE A PARKS MANAGER | 9/30/2024 10:14 AM |
| 11 | Kimberly does not have enough safe playground equipment for children under age 5. At least one county park should have an extensive adaptive playground for children with disabilities as well as accessible trails for all individuals with disabilities | 9/28/2024 2:44 PM |
| 12 | We need more greenery, more trees, less development and to resist letting corporations buy land and develop it for their profit. Corporate greed will destroy all of the beautiful qualities of nature we who choose to live here enjoy...if we allow it to happen. | 9/27/2024 9:59 PM |
| 13 | I would recommend that Parks & Rec as well as broader county administration take the opportunity to explore the potential of the Poor Farm Barn site as a future contributor to the Parks system -- and the county. There is certinally time left in the 25 year contract with the nonprofit that rehabilitated and restored the barn structure -- for staff broadly to think about how this facility and site could benefit Parks and county government as a whole -- in the future when this recovered site is officially returned to their oversight and care. | 9/27/2024 2:29 PM |
| 14 | Due to increased use, the importance of regularly maintained TRASH RECEPTACLES and RESTROOMS cannot be overstated. Nothing brings a park down faster than trash or stinky facilities. Thank you | 9/27/2024 10:24 AM |
| 15 | Please fund parks at a high level. | 9/27/2024 9:43 AM |

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| 16 | I object to the fact that so much of the park funding goes to Myles Kimmerly without an equal amount going to the east side of the county. Should find a way to support active recreation on the east side. | 9/27/2024 5:23 AM |
| 17 | What the parks lack is a commitment to programming. Maintenance is fine but it is not enough. We have passive parks, not active parks. There is no real effort to invest in the charter of counties to take care of the health and welfare of the residents of the county. | 9/26/2024 7:28 PM |
| 18 | Between conservancy properties, county parks, Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore, township parks, DNR boat landings, state forest area, Tart Trail, bike trails, L C has an abundance of parks, especially as property owners will continue to donate their land to the Conservancy. We do not need additional parks & recreational areas. Give the county taxpayers a break. | 9/26/2024 7:27 PM |
| 19 | adopt township parks under the county management umbrella to afford a full time park and rec manager. an opportunity for grant writing | 9/26/2024 2:27 PM |
| 20 | I would prioritize pickleball courts at Myles Kimmerly and then tennis | 9/24/2024 6:24 PM |
| 21 | Why doe that county not support any parks on the east side??? Feels like Suttons Bay Township gets no county support or money. | 9/24/2024 5:31 PM |
| 22 | I cannot stress enough how vital it is to develop more pickleball courts in the area. The Glen Arbor Park is overrun with too many people waiting to play. Thank You for this opportunity to do a survey | 9/23/2024 6:25 PM |
| 23 | Please consider creating pickleball courts at Myles Kimberly- away from private residences and local businesses due to noise and parking issues. Please and thank you for maintaining the importance, and integrity of the 4 existing tennis courts by not interfering with the game of tennis. | 9/23/2024 5:00 PM |
| 24 | I love all the beautiful spaces of Leelanau County and hope we can have more! | 9/22/2024 9:02 PM |
| 25 | I would like to see a real emphasis on native plants and some educational materials about how they support critical habitats for birds,insects and other wildlife. | 9/22/2024 8:06 PM |
| 26 | More land! More parks! Less private water access, more public access | 9/22/2024 7:18 PM |
| 27 | Thank you. | 9/22/2024 5:27 PM |
| 28 | Spend responsible as necessary. No pet projects. | 9/22/2024 1:45 PM |
| 29 | Replace old signs that are faded and/or dated Make space for pollinator gardens Shade structures are helpful | 9/20/2024 11:04 PM |
| 30 | I am chairperson of Bingham Township parks. I have reached out to other local township parks, and recreation providers to begin discussions on promoting recreational activities in our area and to foster collaboration on resources rather than competition. We'd like to include the county parks in this effort. | 9/20/2024 2:24 PM |
| 31 | In addition to county parks, Leelanau has the amazing and vital presence of the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Park and the Leelanau Conservancy lands. Because I mostly walk, hike and swim, these are my primary "go-to's". However, it is vital to maintain and if possible expand the presence of accessible county parks on the two Glen Lakes, since they are the only public access. I am especially grateful for the pier at Old Settlers, which allows me as a member of the public to enjoy swimming and sunsets on Glen Lake just as the lake's private landowners can. Thank you for that pier at Old Settlers. | 9/20/2024 11:16 AM |
| 32 | Many parks are outdated - restrooms and facilities are lacking. Are not used as much as they could be because aren't widely known and are not maintained as well as they could be. Parks should contain a variety of things to do instead of focusing on one or two activities for each park. | 9/20/2024 10:27 AM |
| 33 | Survey is a good idea to get community input. | 9/20/2024 8:26 AM |
| 34 | Please stop using tire products in the parks. It is highly unhealthy for children. While it seems green the toxins the children are exposed to are not. | 9/19/2024 8:58 PM |
| 35 | Can we get a map of how the soccer fields at Myles Kimmerly are numbered? | 9/19/2024 7:05 PM |
| 36 | Would like a walking trail that you can have your dog off leash. Or at least a time set aside for that. For owners that have good behaved dogs | 9/19/2024 2:39 PM |

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| 37 | - | 9/19/2024 1:27 PM |
| 38 | The maintenance of the parks as far cutting grass etc is good. But the dilapidated structures need a lot of help. The Parts should have some kind of community programs, such as yoga in the park music events, things of that nature to engage the community. Our parks are woefully, underfunded and understaffed. The P&R board is an absolute waste of time and county resources. | 9/19/2024 12:18 PM |
| 39 | Need to upgrade the facilities at Myles Kimmerly | 9/19/2024 12:06 PM |
| 40 | Miles Kimberly needs pickle ball courts. The Glen arbor park is under great pressure because there are not similar facilities nearby. The Pickleball courts are particularly stressed. During summer months in Glen arbor there are frequently 12 people playing and 30 people waiting to play Glen arbor tennis players go to the high school tennis courts so they can be assured of getting a court, if Pickleball courts were in the same vicinity, namely, Miles Kimmerly, they two would get extensive use from people in Glen arbor, Maple city and Cedar as well as areas beyond. Please make pickle ball at Miles Kimberly, a high priority for future planning. | 9/18/2024 3:34 PM |
| 41 | We need to maintain our existing facilities that get regular use (baseball and soccer) before expanding further (pickleball). In addition, Myles Kimmerly in particular, needs some serious maintenance on their restrooms facilities. | 9/18/2024 1:04 PM |
| 42 | Miles Kimmerly trails could be marked better | 9/18/2024 10:54 AM |
| 43 | Maintenance and bathroom facilities are so bad across county parks. Playground structures are in great need of repair. | 9/18/2024 10:00 AM |
| 44 | Please include/focus on the existence of non-maintained parts of parks. It is calming to see wild plants grow as the will, and in time these areas become quite attractive - give it time. Additionally these small wild areas become important reservoirs for wildlife (birds/insects), which are in great need of habitat, and which humans very much enjoy observing. | 9/18/2024 9:23 AM |
| 45 | Native plantings everywhere. | 9/18/2024 12:55 AM |
| 46 | I want to see more budget dollars to improve and support infrastructure at our parks - they are gems!!! That we should be very proud of. | 9/13/2024 8:24 PM |
| 47 | We love parks!!!! Thanks for taking the time to survey us regarding this important subject. | 9/13/2024 1:34 PM |
| 48 | N/A | 9/13/2024 10:21 AM |

2025 BOC WORK SESSION CHANGES

Fund 101 General Fund

County of Leelanau

Department 850756 Parks & Recreation

Period Ending Date: July 31, 2024

| Account Number | 2021 Audited | 2022 Audited | 2023 Audited | 2024 Year-to-date | 2024 Amended Budget | 2024 Budget Rolled to 2025 | Department Changes or Requests | BOC Work Session Changes |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Account Name | | | | | | | | |
| Department 850756 Parks & Recreation Expenses | | | | | | | | |
| 850756-702.000 Overtime | 183.23 | 401.97 | 1,012.18 | 246.01 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | |
| 850756-703.000 Salaries | 30,290.00 | 39,457.30 | 32,252.74 | 14,871.52 | 39,281.00 | 39,281.00 | 59,510.00 | |
| 850756-703.001 Temporary Office Assistant | 2,185.44 | 2,465.02 | 3,770.15 | 1,329.95 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | |
| 850756-703.006 Salaries -non-work holiday | 533.04 | 698.07 | 585.36 | 346.08 | 604.00 | 604.00 | 562.00 | |
| 850756-704.000 Per Diem | 1,910.00 | 1,510.00 | 1,630.00 | 800.00 | 2,800.00 | 2,800.00 | 2,800.00 | |
| 850756-706.000 401 (a) Pension Plan | 0.00 | 0.00 | 23.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 850756-717.000 Social Security | 2,724.01 | 3,452.21 | 3,052.59 | 1,380.13 | 3,725.00 | 3,725.00 | 5,270.00 | |
| 850756-718.000 Hospitalization | 7,365.00 | 7,638.00 | 7,737.00 | 2,556.75 | 3,409.00 | 3,409.00 | 8,058.00 | |
| 850756-719.000 Retirement | 1,913.28 | 2,484.11 | 3,165.63 | 852.42 | 2,528.00 | 2,528.00 | 4,563.00 | |
| 850756-720.000 Life Insurance/Disability | 468.42 | 631.44 | 502.02 | 245.36 | 1,004.00 | 1,004.00 | 1,004.00 | |
| 850756-727.000 Office/Operating Supplies | 6,583.35 | 7,208.67 | 8,756.73 | 9,070.78 | 9,500.00 | 9,500.00 | 9,500.00 | |
| 850756-742.000 Uniforms | 417.10 | 296.91 | 335.42 | 1,598.46 | 400.00 | 400.00 | 400.00 | |
| 850756-743.000 Gas/Oil | 2,654.04 | 3,697.10 | 2,596.28 | 2,460.77 | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 | |
| 850756-775.000 Repair and Maintenance | 21,688.51 | 26,812.98 | 33,288.50 | 37,495.56 | 30,000.00 | 30,000.00 | 40,000.00 | |
| 850756-801.000 Contractual Services | 13,979.29 | 11,736.86 | 15,337.99 | 8,155.44 | 18,000.00 | 18,000.00 | 20,000.00 | |
| 850756-801.101 Myles Kimmerly Debris 2021 | 46,800.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 850756-807.000 Membership Dues and Fees | 0.00 | 0.00 | 646.80 | 687.68 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | |
| 850756-850.000 Telephone | 577.68 | 465.87 | 628.03 | 371.32 | 400.00 | 400.00 | 400.00 | |
| 850756-850.001 Telephone - Cell phone | 345.60 | 344.91 | 394.43 | 223.56 | 294.00 | 294.00 | 294.00 | |
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| 850756-900.000 Printing and Publishing | 1,307.30 | 1,547.38 | 1,294.65 | 1,368.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | _____ |
| 850756-920.000 Utilities (Light-Oil) | 4,312.71 | 3,421.99 | 4,213.00 | 2,961.05 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | _____ |
| 850756-940.000 Rental | 1,465.20 | 2,707.80 | 1,477.80 | 2,074.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | _____ |
| 850756-942.000 Copy Machine Charges (Rental) | 28.68 | 17.32 | 0.80 | 11.20 | 30.00 | 30.00 | 30.00 | _____ |
| 850756-970.000 Capital Outlay | 42,328.00 | 86,293.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 55,000.00 | 55,000.00 | _____ |
| 850756-970.010 Capital Outlay under \$5,000.00 | 4,597.17 | 0.00 | 4,779.24 | 0.00 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | _____ |
| Expenses Total | 195,479.69 | 204,162.97 | 128,450.47 | 89,553.60 | 131,345.00 | 186,345.00 | 226,761.00 | _____ |
| Parks & Recreation Dept Total | 195,479.69 | 204,162.97 | 128,450.47 | 89,553.60 | 131,345.00 | 186,345.00 | 226,761.00 | _____ |



GRANT HISTORY

Grantee

Leelanau County - Leelanau County

Project No. TF06-024

Project County: Leelanau

Project Year: 2006

Project title: Veronica Valley Park

Project Status: Grant Closed

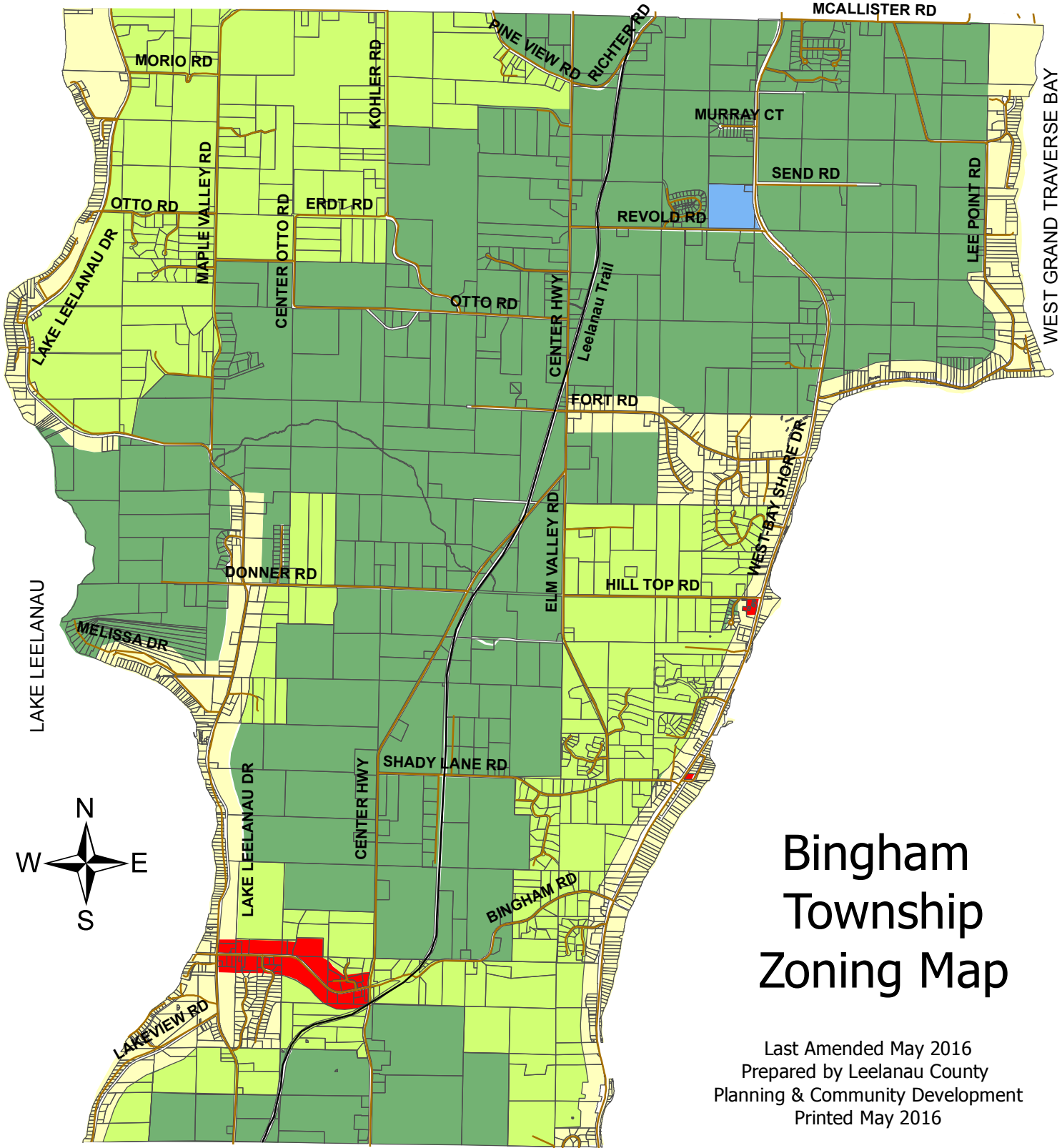
Grant Amount:
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Scope Item

Project Description: Acquisition of 93 acres of land with 2,000 feet of frontage on Mebert Creek, a designated trout stream, and over 47 acres of wetlands.

Total number of projects: 1

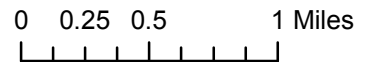
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ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP

Bingham Township Zoning Map

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- Rural Residential Zoning District
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- Commercial Zoning District
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- Residential Zoning District

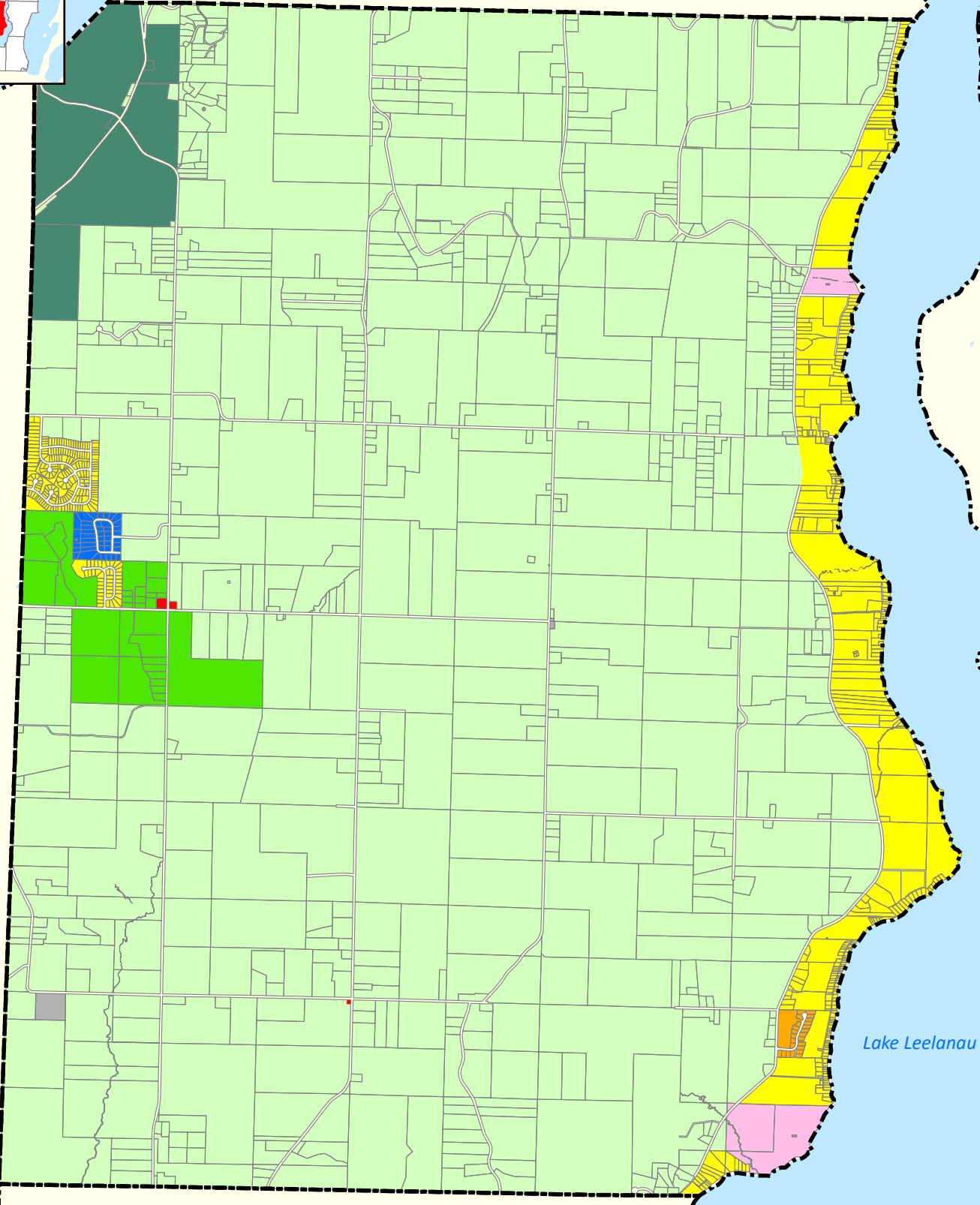
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Centerville Township - Zoning Districts

Leelanau County, Michigan

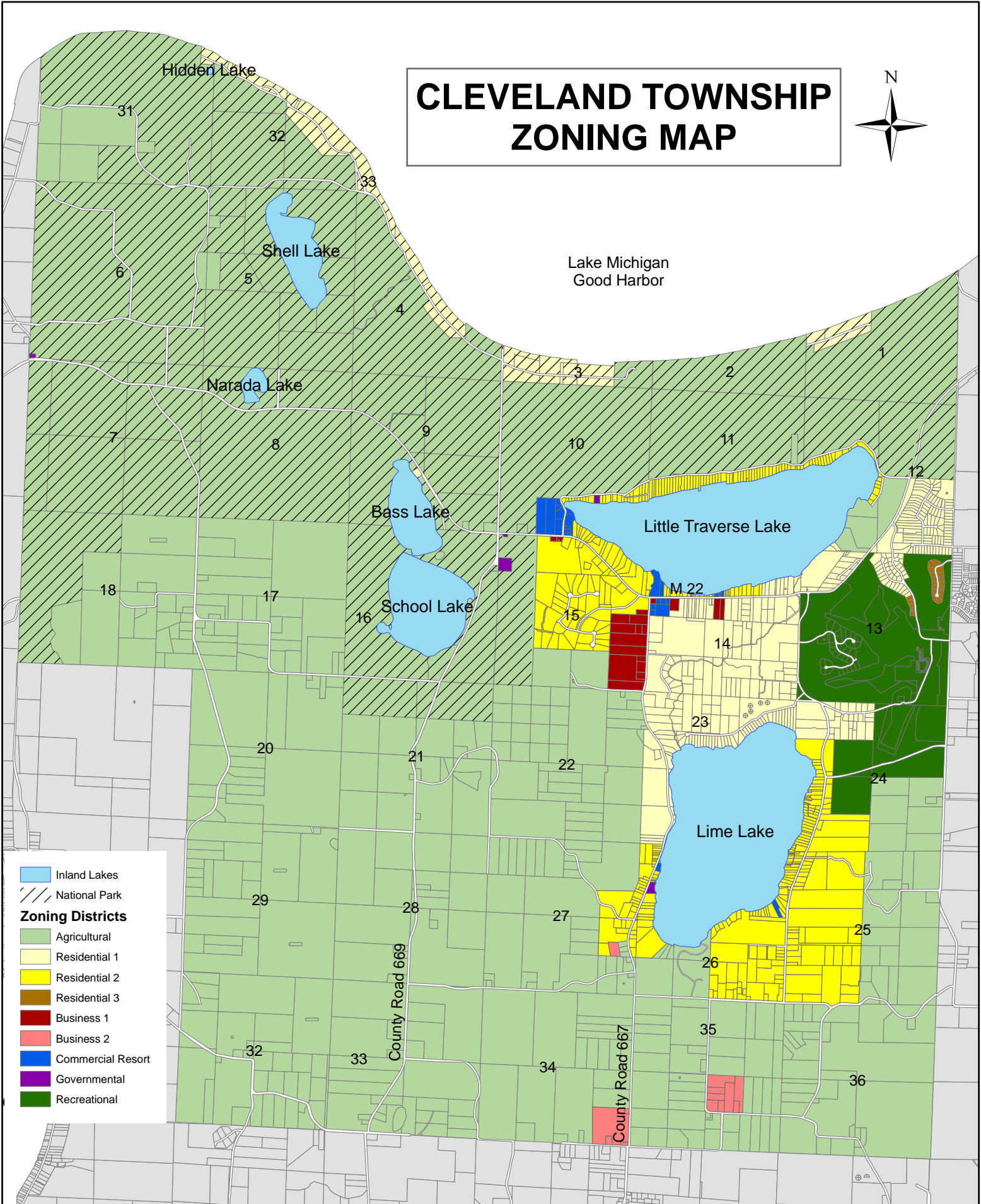
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Lake Leelanau

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|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Township Properties | Agricultural | Commercial Resort | Residential 2 | Ski View Farms Sub |
| Sleeping Bear Nat'l Park | Business | Residential 1 | Recreational | 1 inch = 4,000 feet |

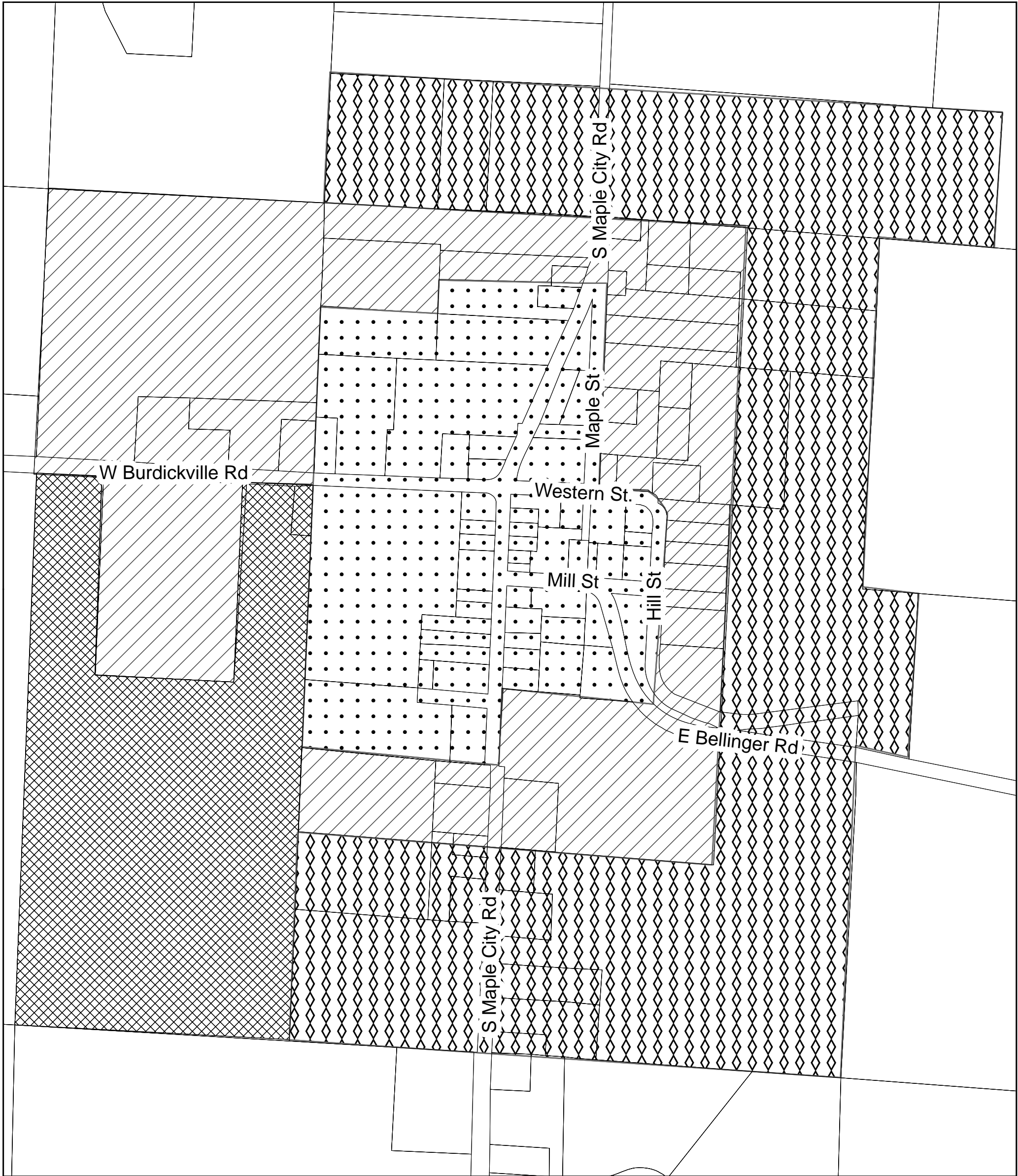
CLEVELAND TOWNSHIP ZONING MAP




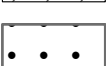

- Inland Lakes
- National Park
- Zoning Districts**
- Agricultural
- Residential 1
- Residential 2
- Residential 3
- Business 1
- Business 2
- Commercial Resort
- Governmental
- Recreational



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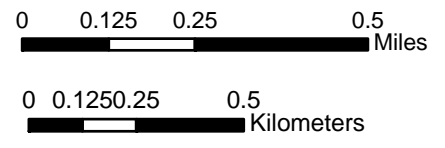
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-  Large Lot SF & Peripheral Uses
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-  Planned Unit Development

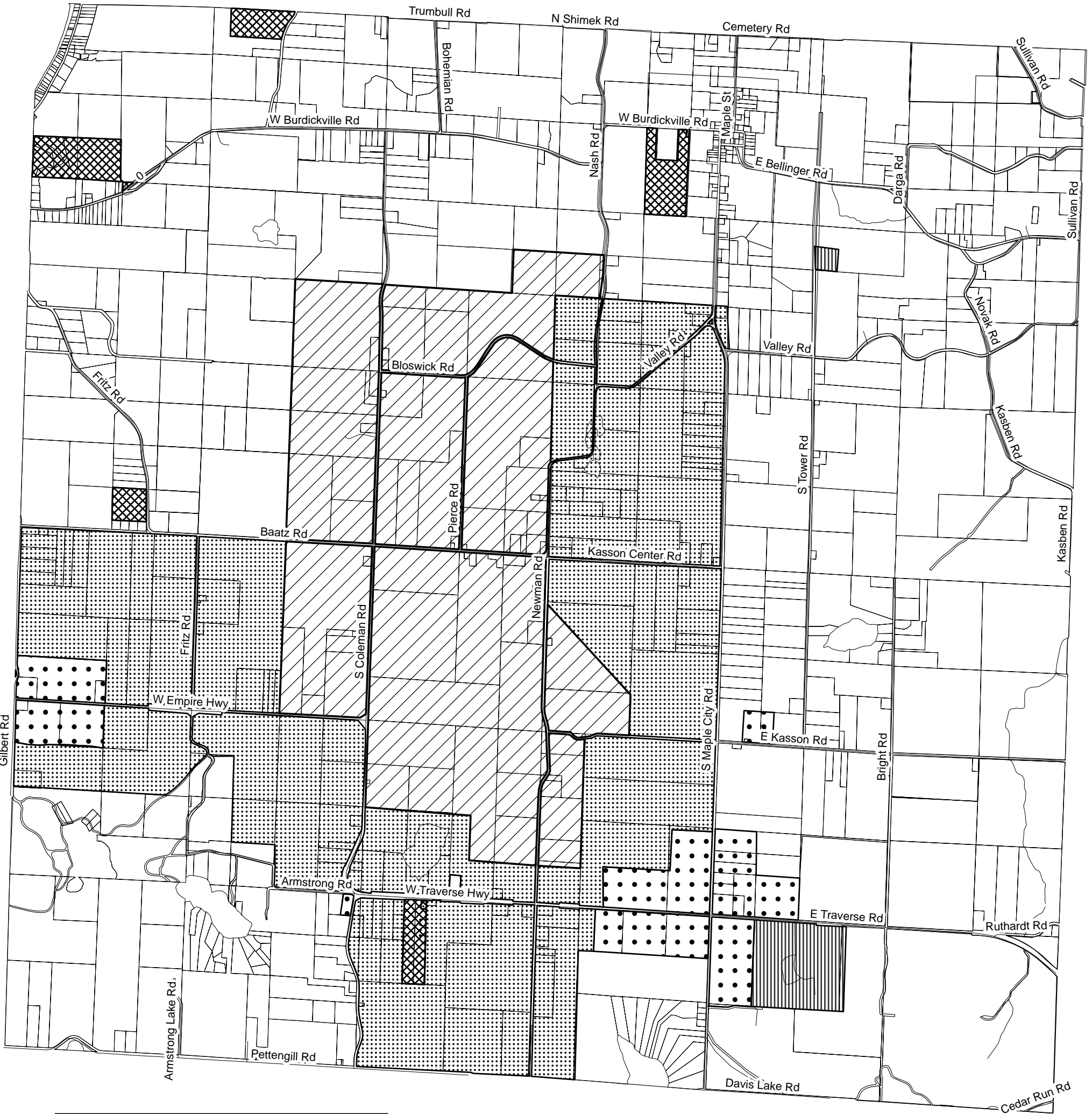
ZONING MAP

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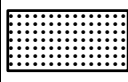





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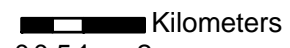
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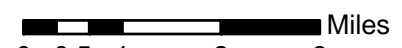


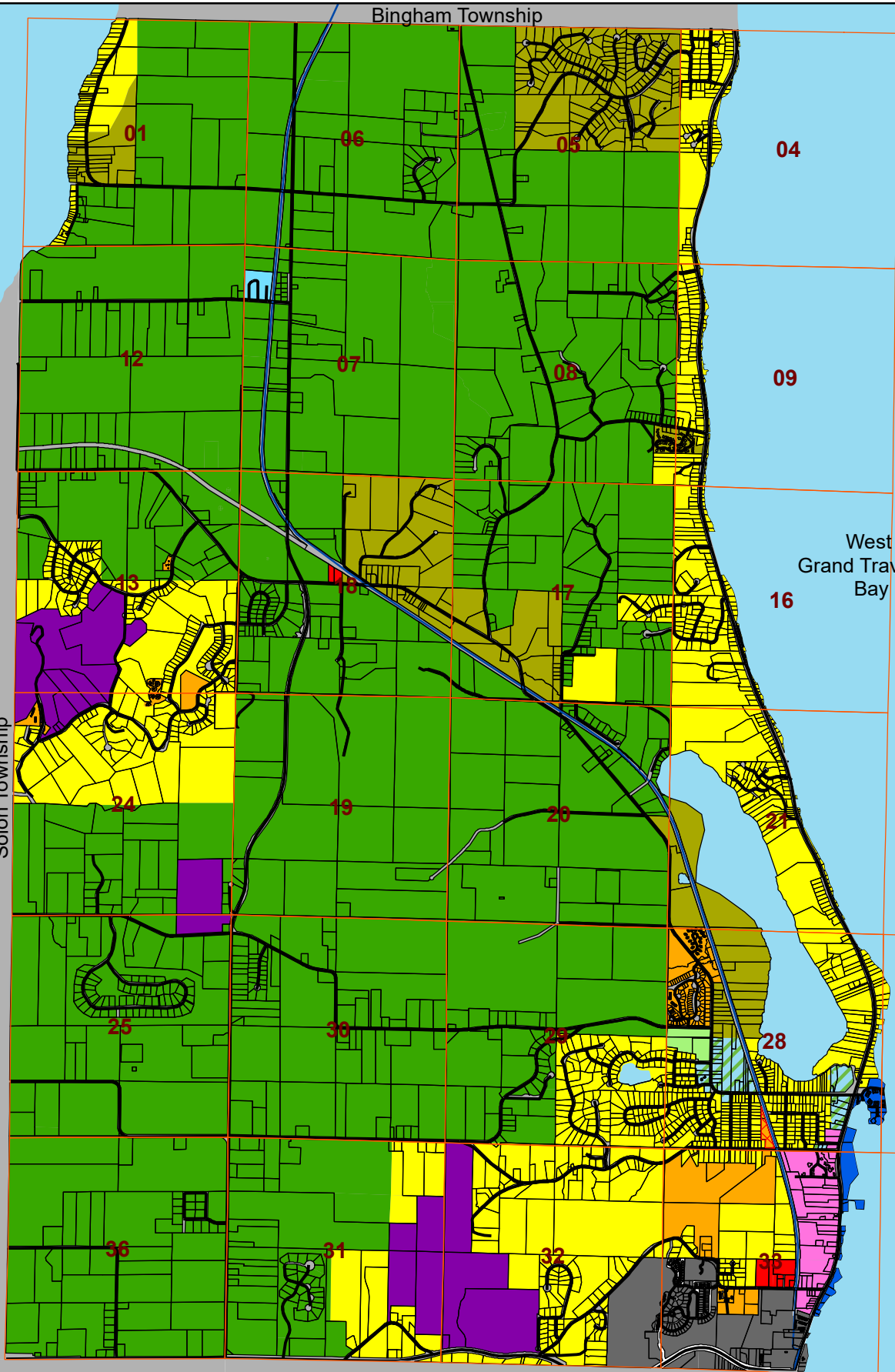
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ZONING MAP

KASSON TOWNSHIP
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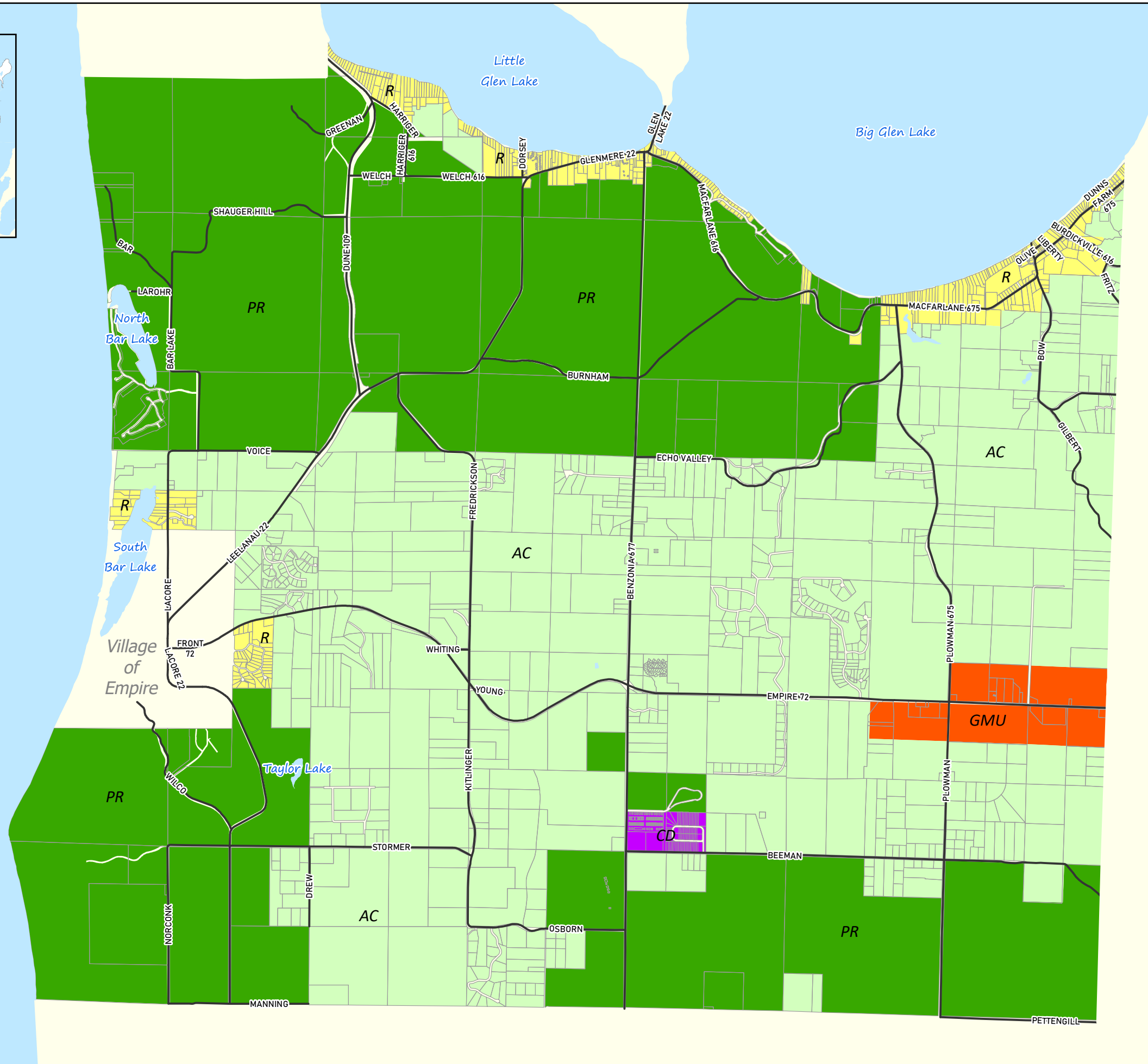
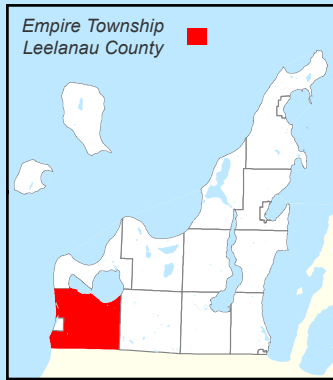
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Zoning Districts

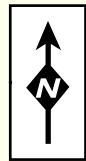
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| Agricultural - Rural (A-R) | Manufactured Home Park (MHP) | General Commercial (GC) | Conditional Rezoning |
| Residential 1 (R-1) | Rural Resort (RR) | Light Industrial (LI) | |
| Residential 2 (R-2) | Municipal Center (MC) | Shoreline Commercial (SC) | |
| Residential 3 (R-3) | Neighborhood Commercial (NC) | Traverse City | |

Official Zoning Map
September 1, 2017



Empire Township Zoning Districts

Leelanau County, Michigan



1 inch = 1 mile

Major Roads

Lakes

Parcels

Zoning Districts

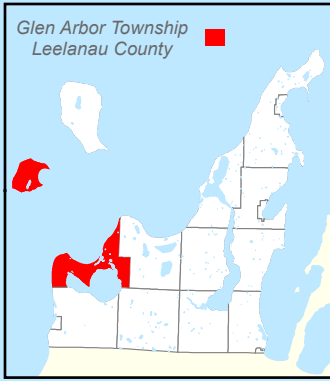
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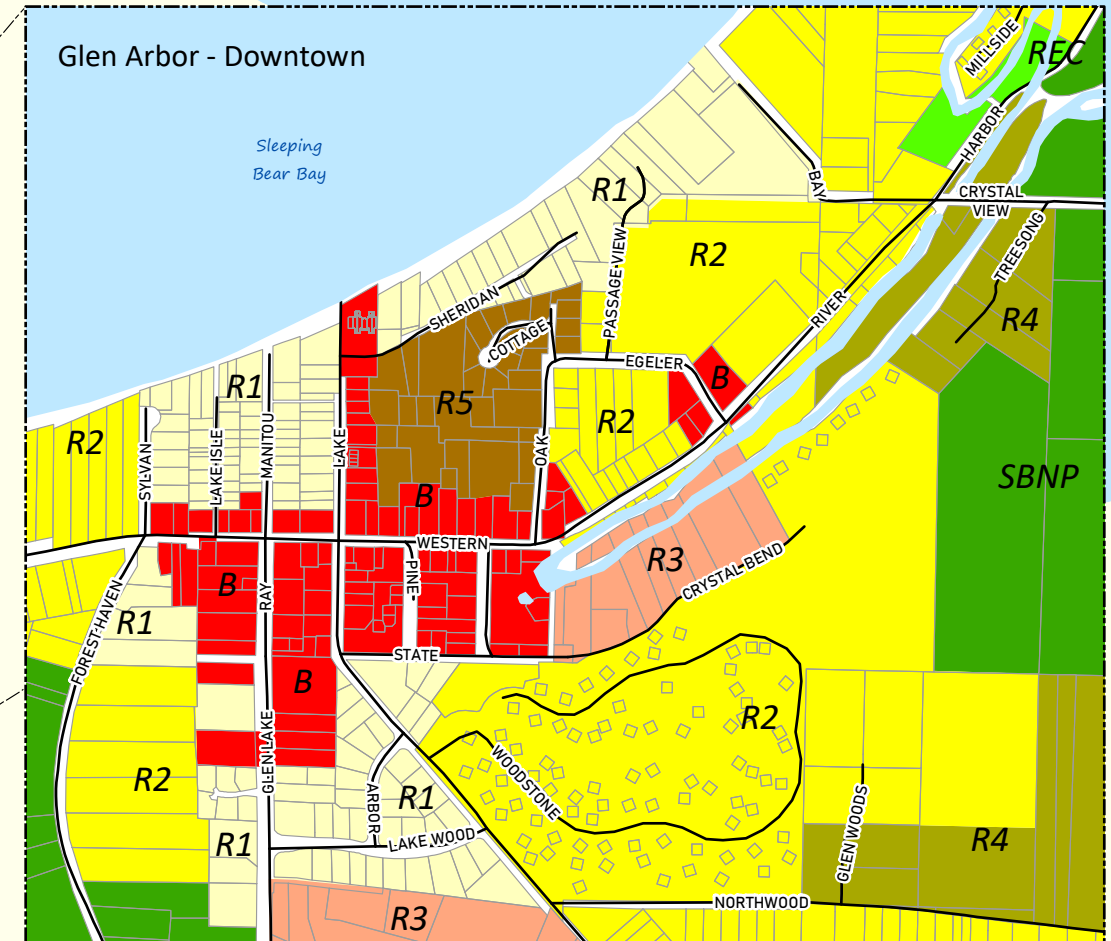
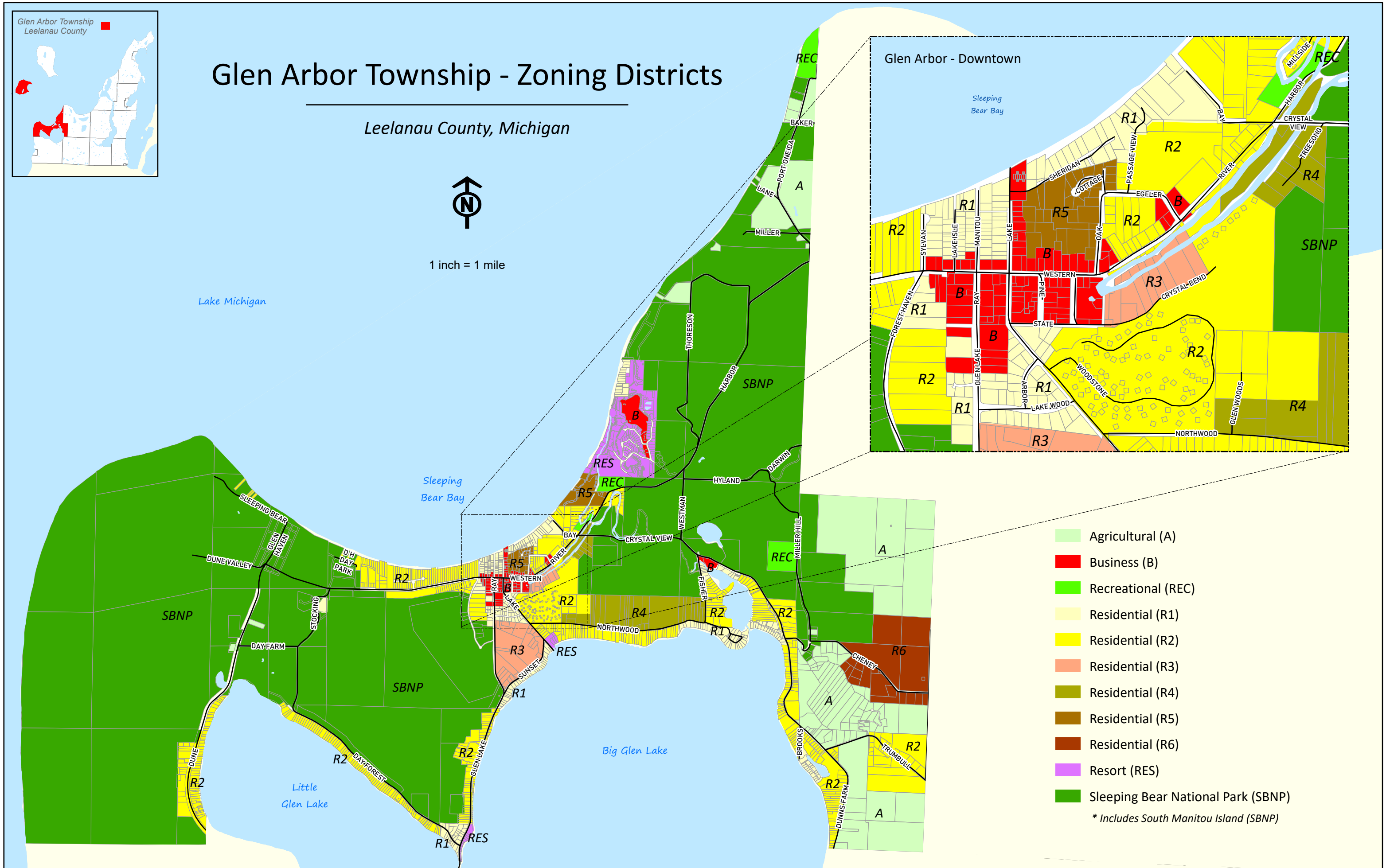


Glen Arbor Township - Zoning Districts

Leelanau County, Michigan



1 inch = 1 mile



- Agricultural (A)
 - Business (B)
 - Recreational (REC)
 - Residential (R1)
 - Residential (R2)
 - Residential (R3)
 - Residential (R4)
 - Residential (R5)
 - Residential (R6)
 - Resort (RES)
 - Sleeping Bear National Park (SBNP)
- * Includes South Manitou Island (SBNP)

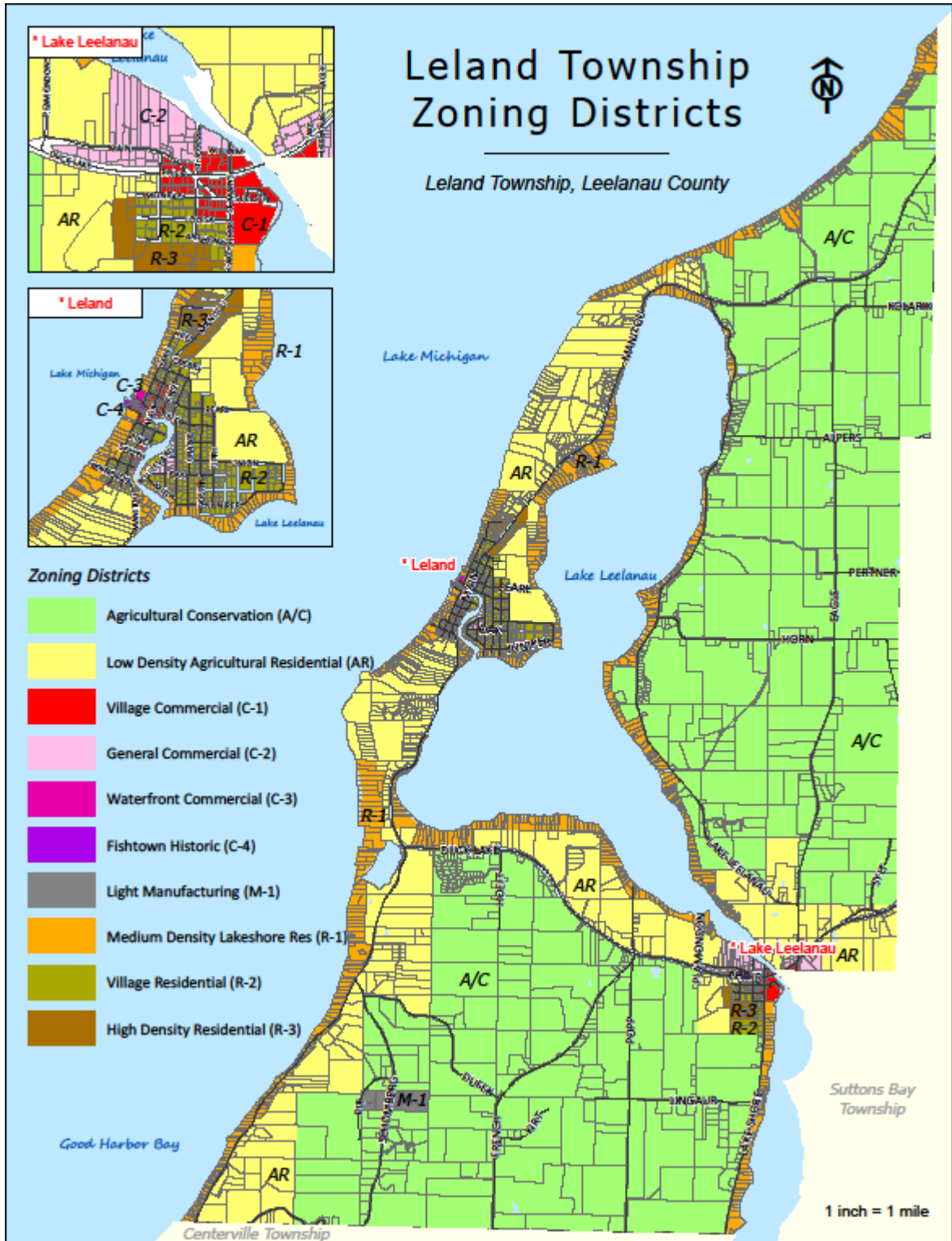
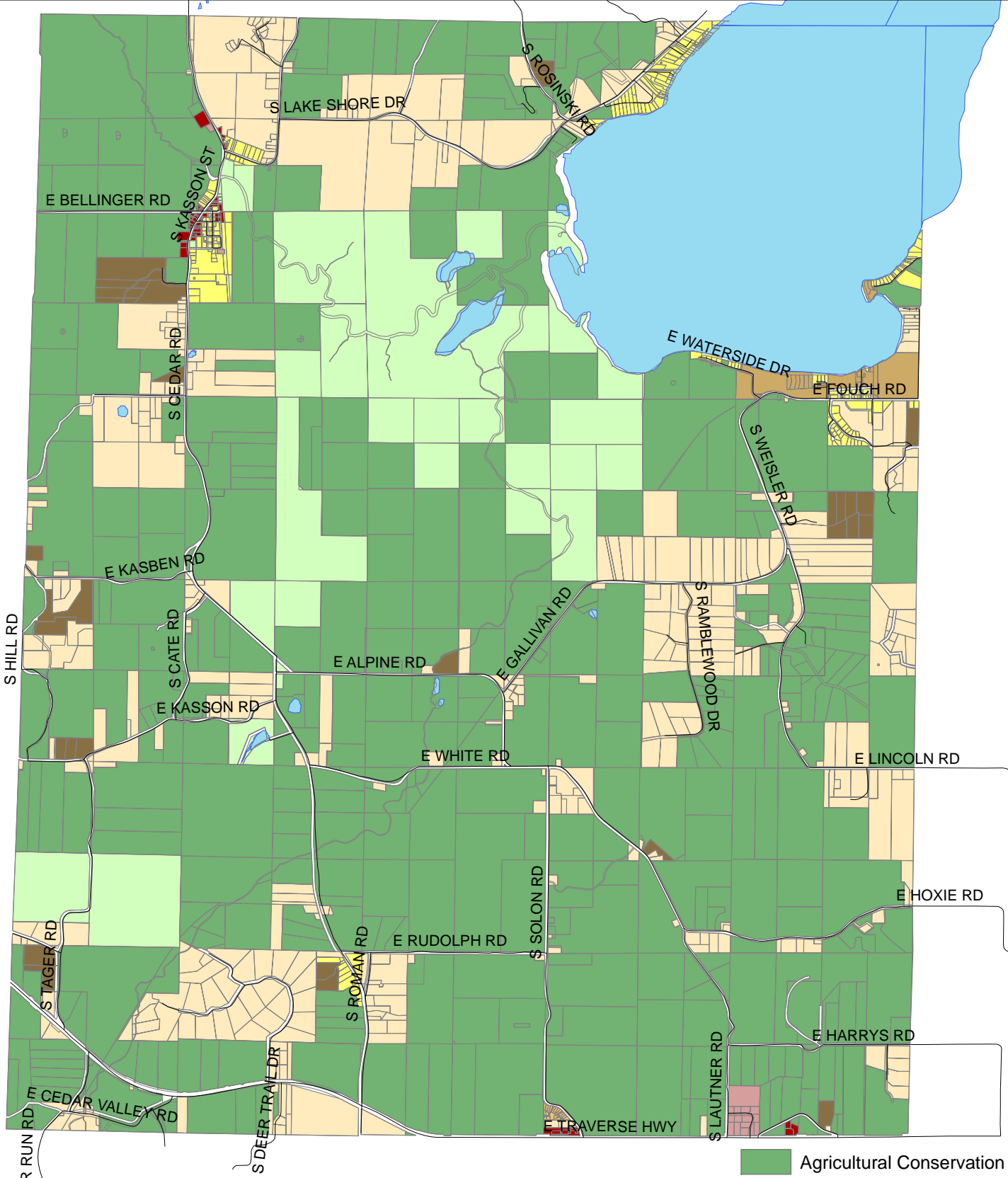


Figure 1-2 - Current Leland Township Zoning

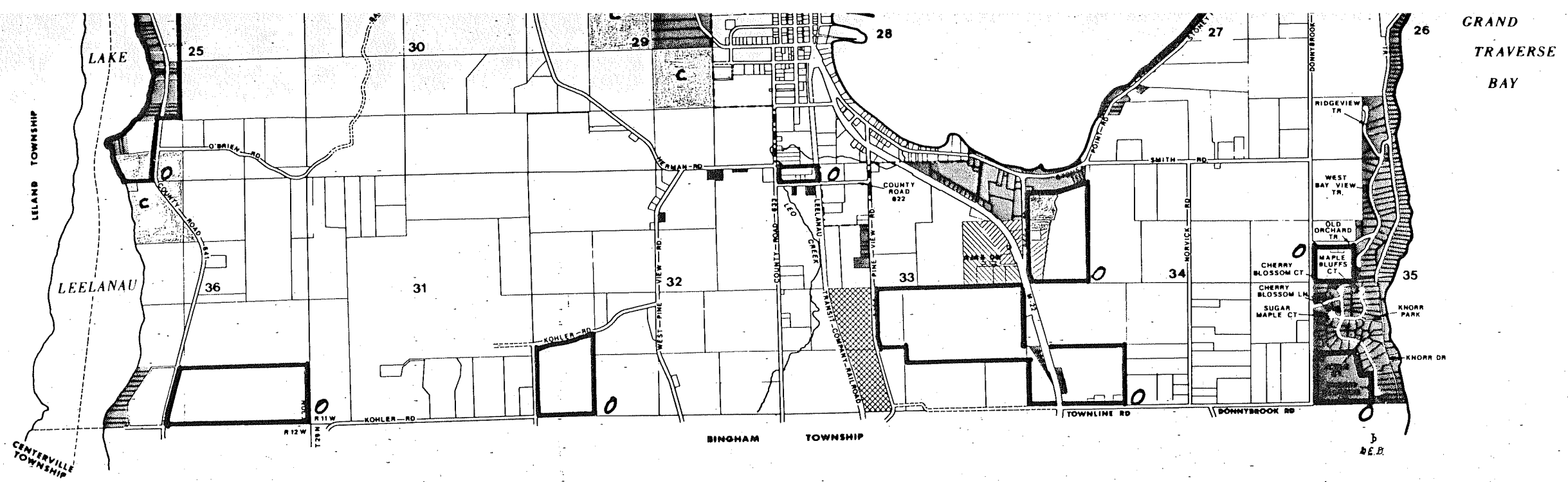


Solon Township Zoning Map

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- Agricultural Conservation
- Business 1
- Business 2
- Governmental
- Residential 1
- Residential 2
- Resort/Recreational
- Residential Agricultural 2
- Residential Agricultural 5
- water

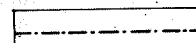
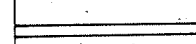
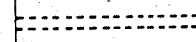


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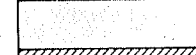


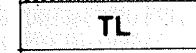
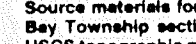
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LEGEND

MAP SYMBOLS

-  VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY CORPORATION LIMIT
-  PUBLIC ROAD
-  PRIVATE ROAD

ZONING DISTRICTS

-  RESIDENTIAL (R)
-  AGRICULTURE (A)
-  COMMERCIAL (C)
-  INDUSTRIAL (I)
-  WASTE MANAGEMENT (W)
-  FEDERAL TRUST LANDS (TL)

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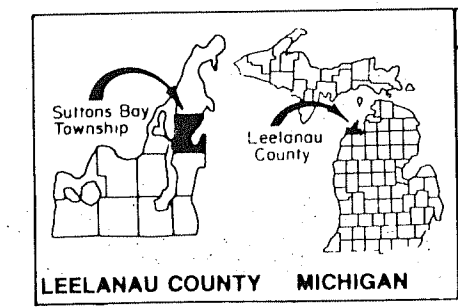
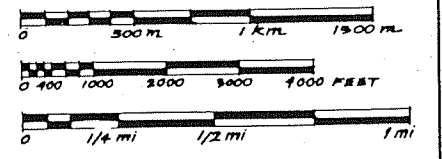
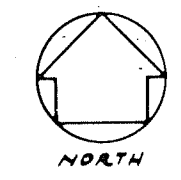
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OVERLAY MAP: SPECIAL USE; CHURCHES AND DAY CARE CENTERS

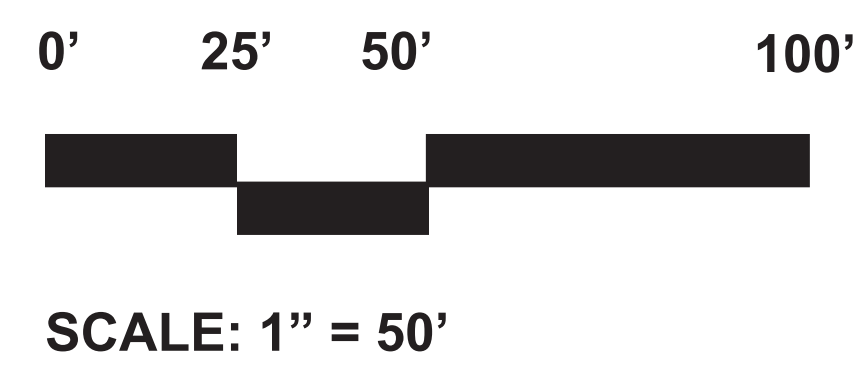
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 **5-YEAR PARK & RECREATION PLAN**
MYLES KIMMERLY PARK
1110 W BURDICKVILLE RD.



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5-YEAR PARK & RECREATION PLAN
VERONICA VALLEY PARK
 4341 S LAKE LEELANAU DR.



0' 15' 30' 60'



SCALE: 1" = 30'



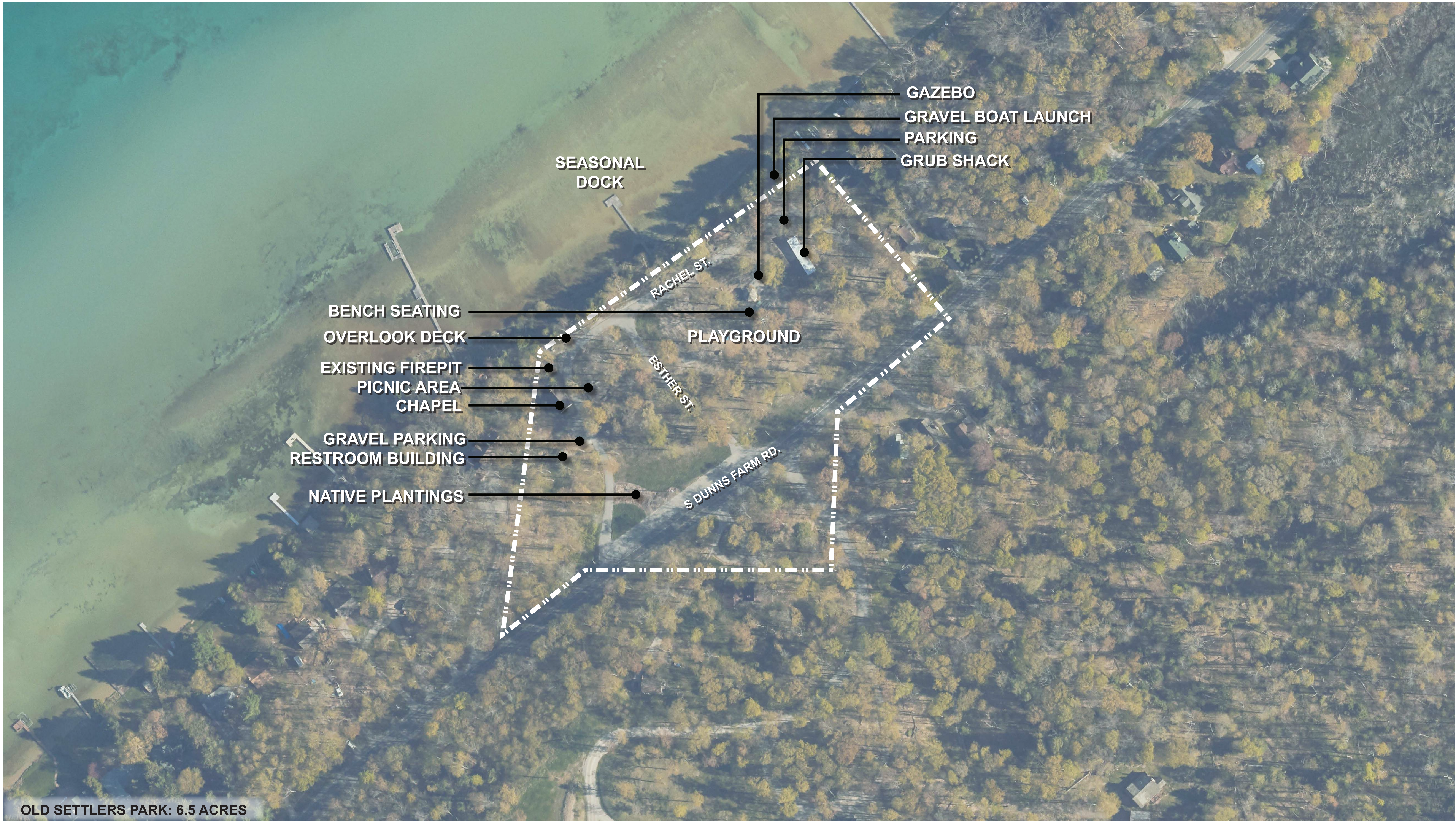
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OLD SETTLERS PARK: 6.5 ACRES



5-YEAR PARK & RECREATION PLAN

OLD SETTLERS PARK
8854 S DUNNS FARM RD.

0' 10' 20' 40'



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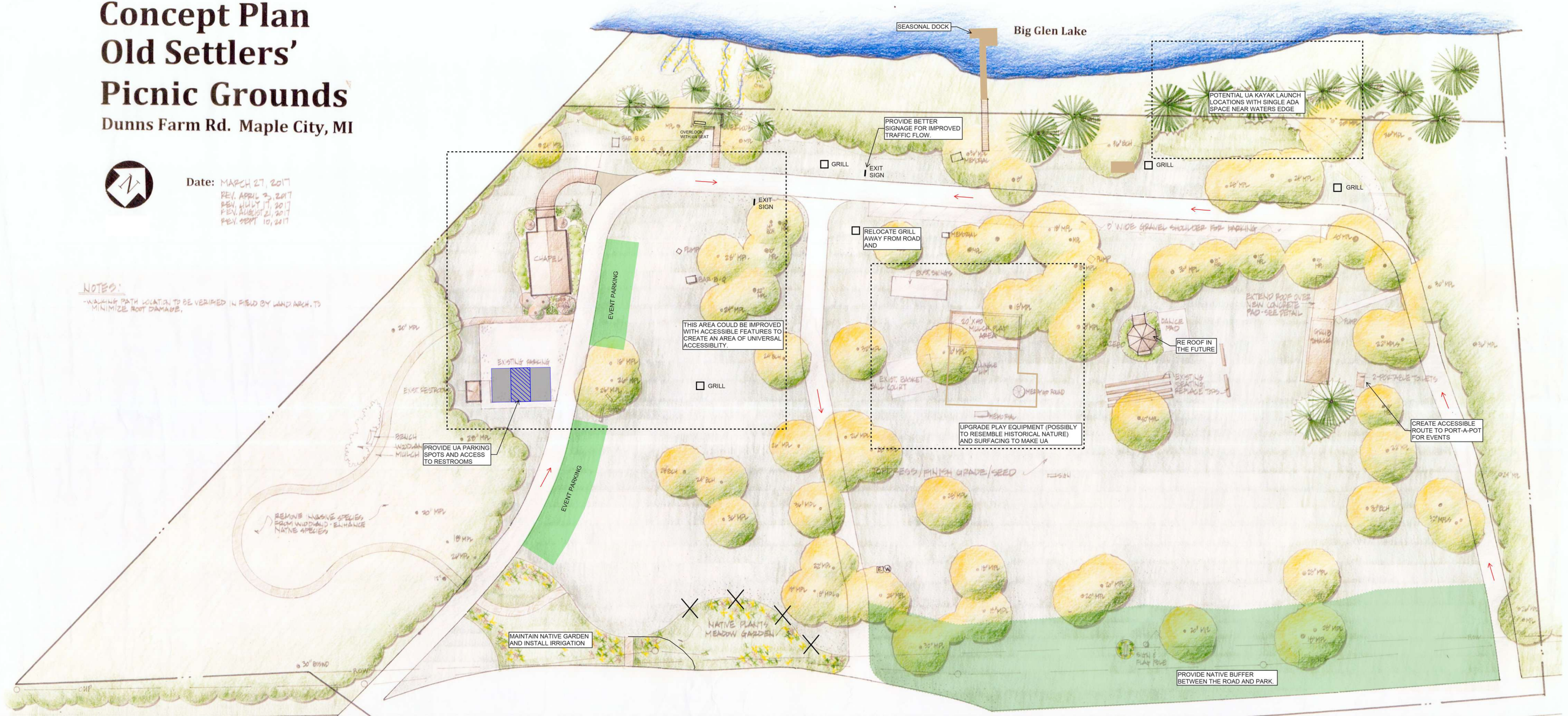
Concept Plan Old Settlers' Picnic Grounds

Dunns Farm Rd. Maple City, MI



Date: MARCH 27, 2017
REV. APRIL 23, 2017
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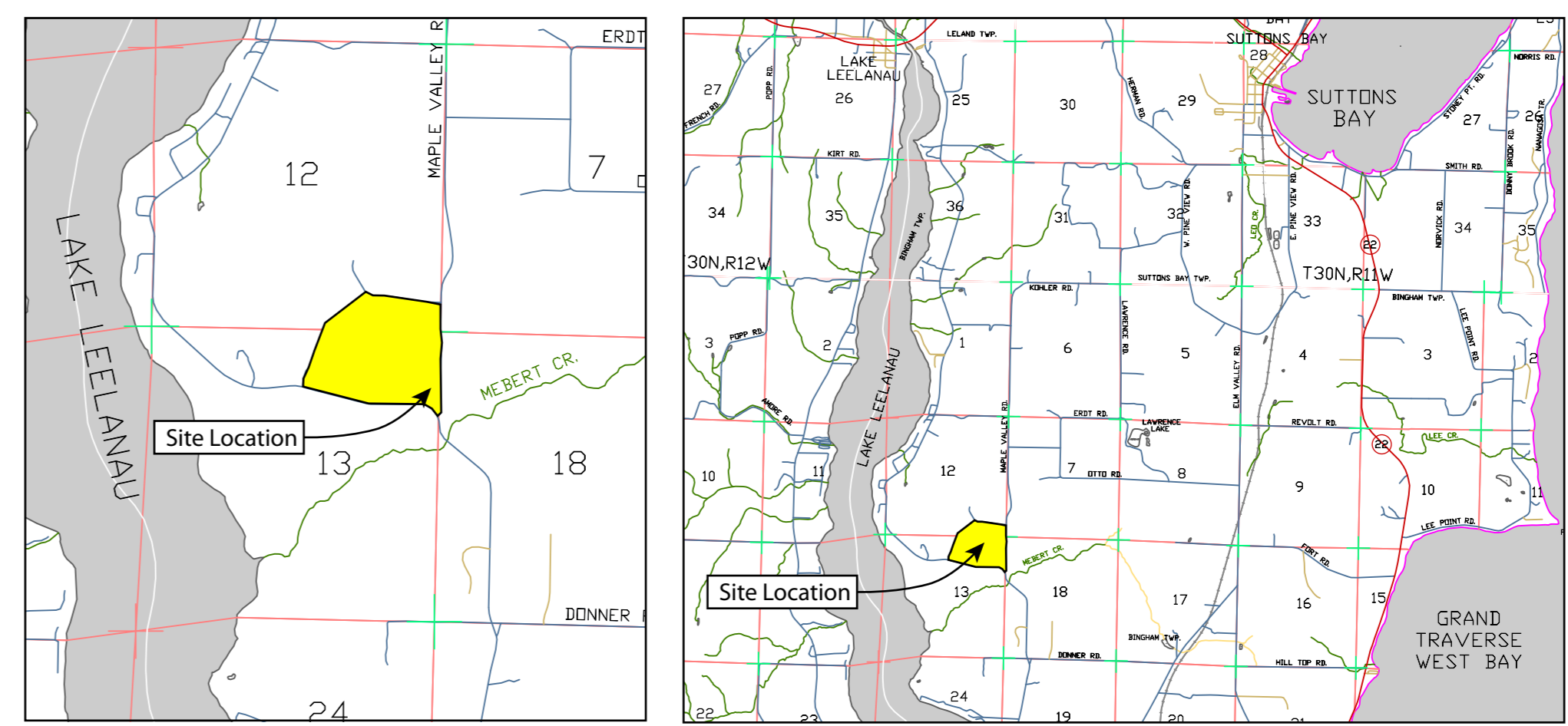
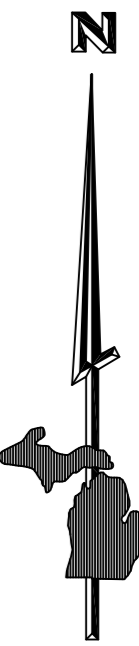
County Rd. 675 Dunn's Farm Rd.



- ### PARK IMPROVEMENTS LEGEND
- 1 8' WIDE ASPHALT TRAIL - PHASE 1 ACCESSIBLE LOOP
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 - 3 8' WIDE ASPHALT TRAIL - PHASE 3 FIELD LOOP
 - 4 SOUTH PARKING, PICKLE BALL, TRAILHEAD & KIOSK - PHASE 1 - 4 COURTS, 39 PARKING SPACES, STORMWATER MGMT..
 - 5 NORTH PARKING & PICKLE BALL - PHASE 2 - 4 COURTS, 21 SPACES, STORMWATER MGMT..
 - 6 DISC GOLF WARM-UP / SHORT COURSE
 - 7 EXISTING BALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS - REGRADING, OUTFIELD FENCING, IMPROVE STRUCTURES
 - 8 PORTABLE RESTROOM ENCLOSURE (2 STALL)
 - 9 PORTABLE RESTROOM ENCLOSURE (4 STALL + 2 ACCESSIBLE)
 - 10 FUTURE DOG PARK
 - 11 FLEXIBLE RECREATION SPACE - SUCH AS: HIKING TRAIL, NATIVE RESTORATION EXAMPLE AREA, DRIVING RANGE
 - 12 ARENA TO REMAIN FOR SEASONAL ICE RINK AND 4-H ACTIVITIES
 - 13 PROPOSED PAVILION AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING - KEEP UNIMPROVED PARKING AREA
 - 14 NEW FENCING SECTIONS (NORTH AND EAST PROPERTY LINE)
 - 15 EXISTING BASKETBALL AND VOLLEYBALL TO REMAIN
 - 16 REFURBISH EXISTING TENNIS COURTS
 - 17 MINOR EXISTING PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS AND SAFETY UPGRADES
 - 18 DRIVEWAY SHOULDER PARKING AND PAVILIONS TO REMAIN
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 - 23 CONNECT TO EXISTING WOODLAND TRAIL NETWORK
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MASTER PLAN IMPROVEMENTS



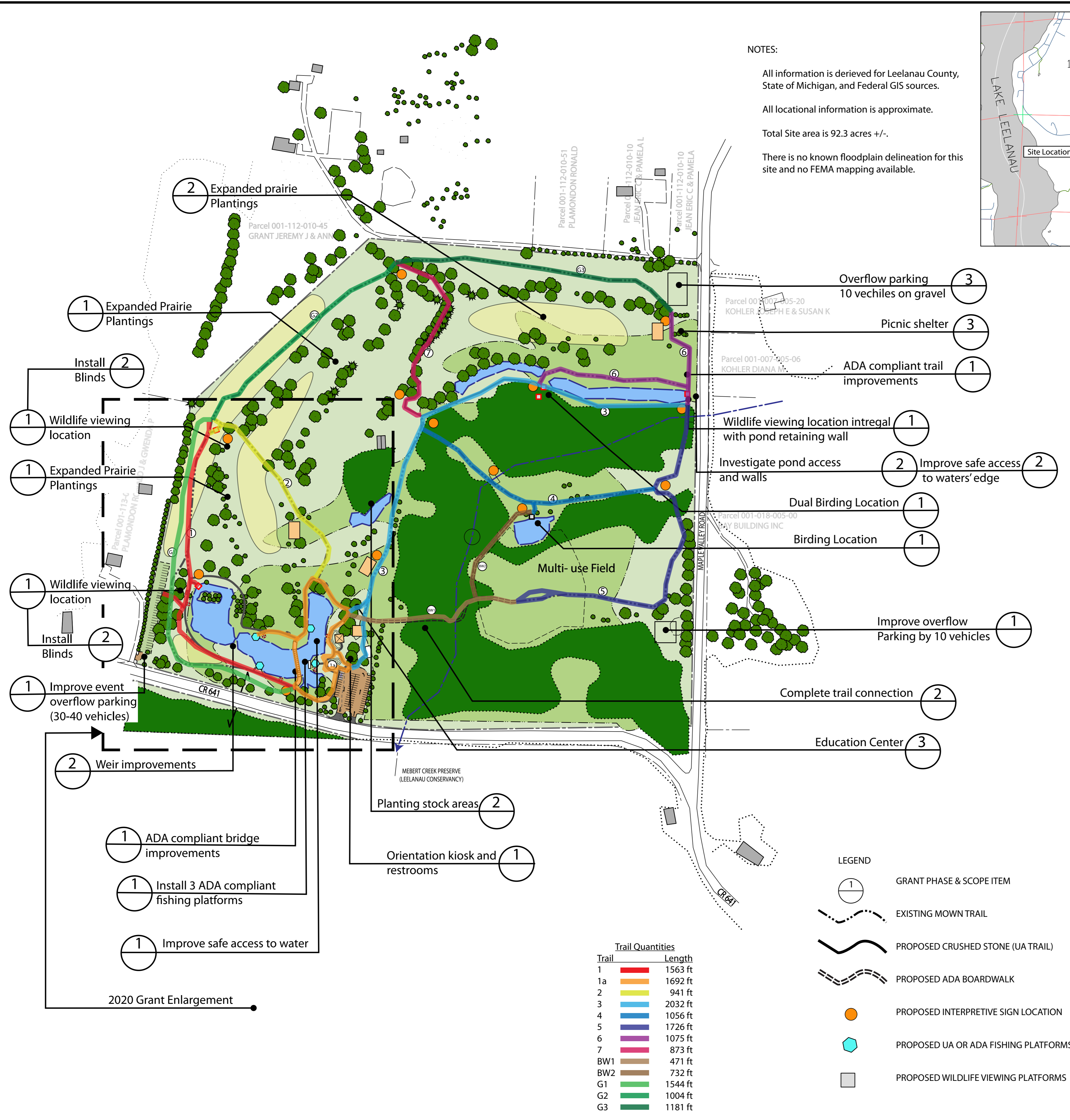
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2. Install upper pond improvements.
3. Seek funding sources for Mebert Creek Preserve trail connections.
4. Investigate night lighting.
5. Design and install more bird and wildlife observation areas.
6. Estimate need for permanent public restrooms.
7. Evaluate and install picnic pavilions where needed.
8. Continue signage program.
9. Define, delineate, and establish a planting stock area to augment a regional birding environment. Include educational signage detailing the program.

Phase 3:

1. Construct trail lighting system as needed.
2. Continue assistance in Mebert Creek Trail connections and program.
3. Design and construct public restrooms.
4. Create a maintenance program for to evaluate future user needs and funding.
5. Design pond lower pond weir enhancements.

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| 3 | 2032 ft |
| 4 | 1056 ft |
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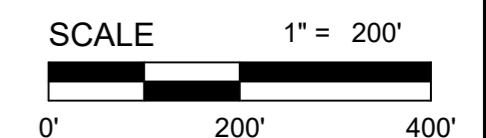
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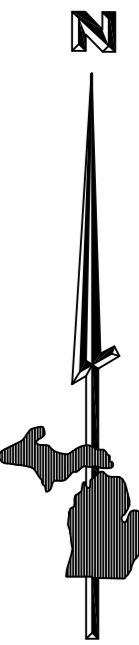
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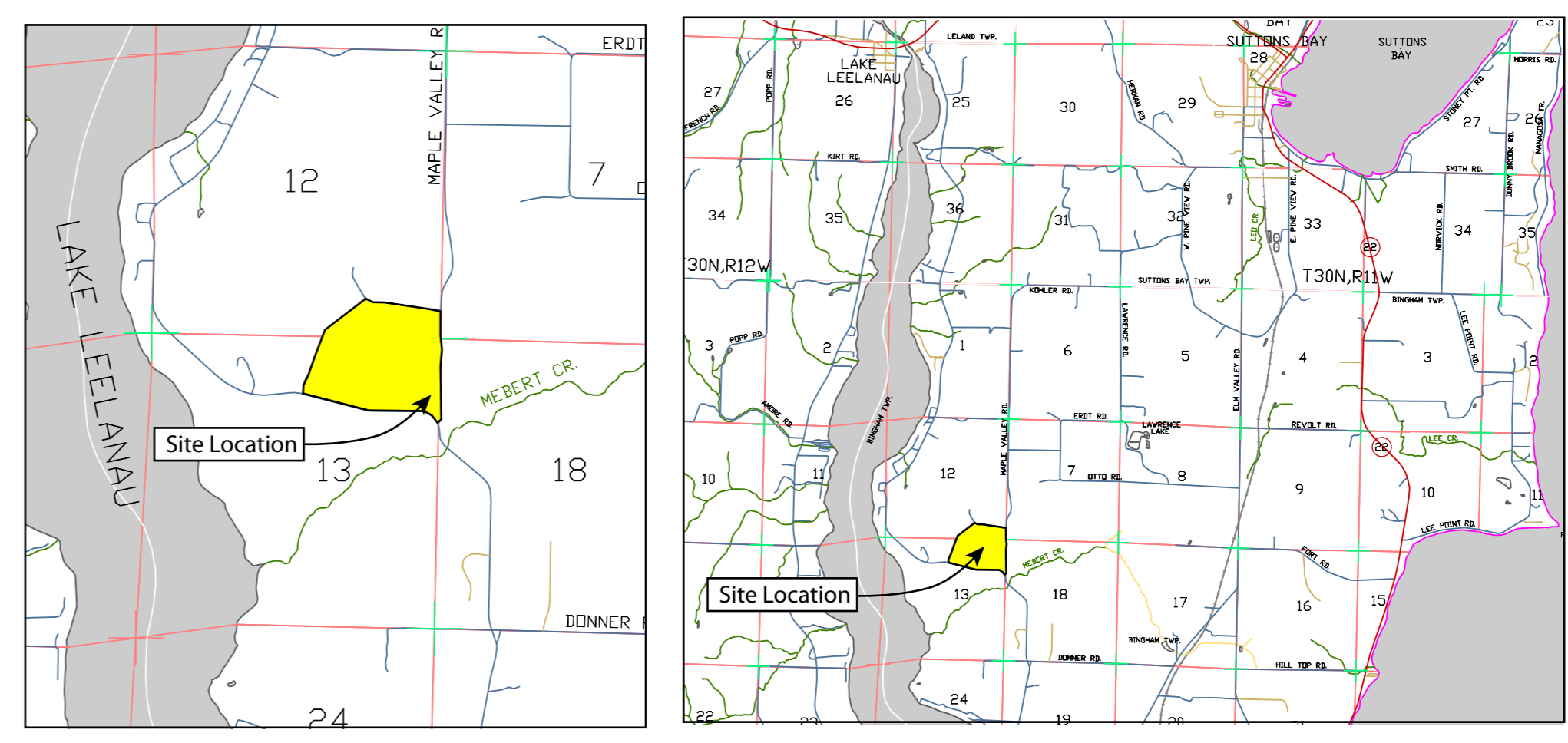
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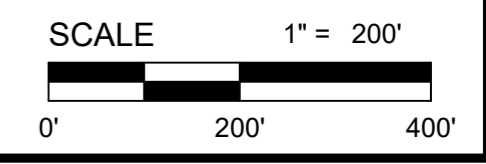
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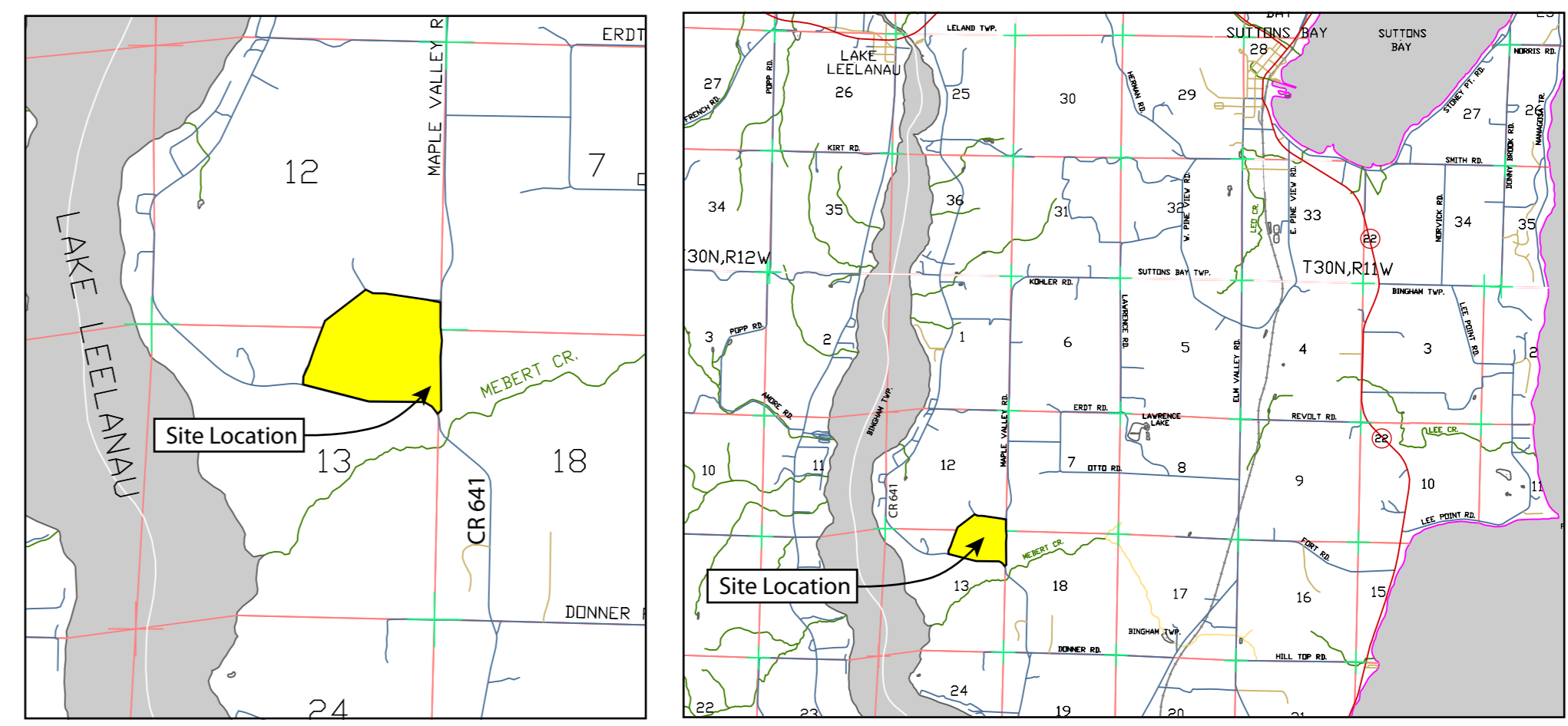
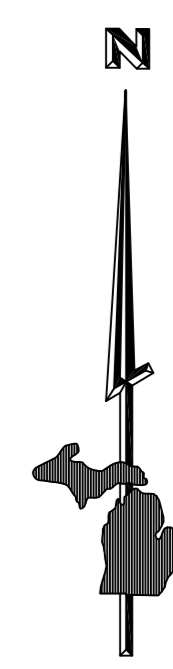
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- BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS**
- Develop accessible bridge approaches (check bridge camber for ADA)
- PARKING UPGRADES**
- Modify entrance with widened boulevard island (one-way loop)
 - Create bus-drop loop
 - Consider one-way loop (signage)
 - Develop paved drive throat (to LCRC standards)
 - Add timber rounds/curing to delineate parking
 - Add reserved parking with aisles (conc.) & signage (3-4 to exceed ADA ratio)

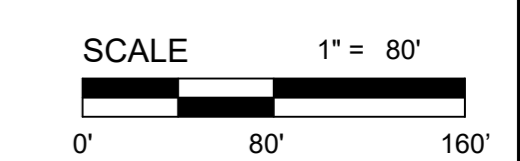
- Native vegetation planting stock area
- PROPOSED OPEN-AIR PAVILION**
 - Create landform/berms (grass seating - informal amphitheatre)
 - Outdoor classroom opportunity
 - Close proximity to ex. playground
 - Visible from arrival & parking
 - Near pond & demonstration nursery
 - Info board / Wind screens
- Ex. Playground
- Proposed ADA walk to Pavilion
- Berm with ADA Access
- Kiosk interpretive/ site & travel map panel
- Proposed porta-potty enclosure/ screen (2-4 units)
- 6" Conc. Accessible Parking Spaces
- Bus drop-off/ pickup
- Existing gravel lot

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- ① PHASE AND GRANT SCOPE ITEM
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PUBLIC OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT
POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT

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GRANT TYPE: [X] MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND [] CLEAN MICHIGAN INITIATIVE
(Please select one) [] LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND [] RECREATION PASSPORT [] BOND FUND

GRANTEE: Leelanau County

PROJECT NUMBER: TF06-024

PROJECT TYPE: Aquisition

PROJECT TITLE: Veronica Valley Park

PROJECT SCOPE: Acquisition of 93 acres of land with 2,000 feet of frontage on Mebert

TO BE COMPLETED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY (GRANTEE)

Table with 3 columns: Name of Agency (Grantee), Contact Person, Title, Address, Telephone, City, State, ZIP, Email. Row 1: Leelanau County, Richard Lewis, Administrator, 8527 E Government Cnter Dr., 231.256.9711, Suttons Bay, Mi 49682, rlewis@leelanau.gov

SITE DEVELOPMENT

Any change(s) in the facility type, site layout, or recreation activities provided? If yes, please describe change(s). [] Yes [X] No

Has any portion of the project site been converted to a use other than outdoor recreation? If yes, please describe what portion and describe use. (This would include cell towers and any non-recreation buildings.) [] Yes [X] No

Are any of the facilities obsolete? If yes, please explain. [] Yes [X] No

SITE QUALITY

Is there a park entry sign which identifies the property or facility as a public recreation area? If yes, please provide a photograph of the sign. If no, please explain. [X] Yes [] No

Are the facilities and the site being properly maintained? If no, please explain. [X] Yes [] No

Is vandalism a problem at this site? If yes, explain the measures being taken to prevent or minimize vandalism. [] Yes [X] No

POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONT'D

Is maintenance scheduled on a regular basis? If yes, give schedule. If no, please explain. Yes No

Daily litter pickup, weekly grass mowing, bi-weekly playground equipment inspection
irrigation system checks, annual deep cleaning of restrooms and shelter areas

GENERAL

Is a Program Recognition plaque permanently displayed at the site? If yes, please provide a photograph. (Not required for Bond Fund Grants) Yes No N/A

Is any segment of the general public restricted from using the site or facilities? (i.e. resident only, league only, boaters only, etc.) If yes, please explain. Yes No

Is a fee charged for use of the site or facilities? If yes, please provide fee structure. Yes No

What are the hours and seasons for availability of the site?

24 Hours - All year round

COMMENTS (ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)

POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONT'D

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that I am duly elected, appointed and/or authorized by the Grantee named above and that the information and answers provided herein are true and accurate to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief.

Richard Lewis

Please print

Richard Lewis
Grantee Authorized Signature

01/28/25
Date

Lauren Cypher
Please print

Lauren Cypher
Witness Signature

01/28/25
Date

Send completed report to:

**POST COMPLETION GRANT INSPECTION REPORTS
GRANTS MANAGEMENT
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
PO BOX 30425
LANSING MI 48909-7925**

VERONICA VALLEY PARK

(Rules and regulations submitted by the Rules & Signage Subcommittee 08/25/10)
(Adopted by the Parks and Recreation Commission 09/15/10)

1. PARK HOURS: Park is open from sunrise to sunset.
2. Refuse must be disposed of in containers provided.
3. Fires allowed in designated grills only.
4. Beach fires are prohibited.
5. Plants and trees may not be cut or removed from park.
6. Alcohol consumption is prohibited.
7. Launching motorized power boats from anywhere in park is prohibited.
8. Fireworks in park are prohibited.
9. **Pets are allowed in Park** and must be on a leash no longer than six feet in length and under control by owner at all times. Owner is also responsible for any cleanup of messes by pets.
10. Hunting with dog is permitted in compliance with the State of Michigan statute P.A. 451 of 1994, Part 401 (Sec. 2-27.)
11. Solicitation in park is prohibited.
12. Camping in park is prohibited.
13. Operation of off-road vehicles or snowmobiles is prohibited in park.
14. Music from radios and/or other devices shall not be excessive or disturbing to other park guests.
15. No organized, non-passive recreation allowed such as baseball, soccer, disc golf, etc.
16. Violation of any provision of this ordinance is a misdemeanor, according to statute P. A. 251 of 1965.

17. Swimming prohibited.

**HUNTING AND FISHING
ALLOWED**
GOVERNED BY STATE OF MICHIGAN
REGULATIONS



Revenue derived from oil, gas and mineral
production on state-owned lands provides
funding for public recreation site.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund
Michigan Department of Natural Resources
and Environment



Veronica Valley Park Master Plan Improvements Estimated Cost and Priority Schedule

| Phase # | Conceptual Design Item Number | Description | New/Improved/No Change | Priority | Requested Install Year(S) | Estimated Installation Cost | Estimated Annual Maintenance Cost after installation | Notes |
|---------|-------------------------------|---|------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-------|
| 1 | 5 | Wildlife Viewing and Birding locations - Design & Install Bird and Wildlife Observation area | New | | | | | |
| 1 | 6 | Install Orientation Kiosk that details heritage and park goals | New | | | | | |
| 1 | 11 | Design and Construct ADA Trail System | New | | | | | |
| 1 | | Install ADA Compliant Fishing Platforms | New | | | | | |
| 1 | | Install ADA Compliant Bridge Improvements | New | | | | | |
| 1 | 12 | Install Safety Improvements to Ponds | New | | | | | |
| 1 | 13 | Improve Overflow Parking | New | | | | | |
| 1 | 14 | Design and Construct Porta-Potty Enclosure/Screen | New | | | | | |
| 1 | 15 | Evaluate and Install Picnic Pavillions where needed. | New | | | | | |
| 2 | 2 | Install Upper Pond Improvements | New | | | | | |
| 2 | 5 | Wildlife Viewing and Birding locations - Design & Install Additional Bird and Wildlife Observation areas | New | | | | | |
| 2 | 7 | Evaluate and Install Picnic Pavillions where needed | New | | | | | |
| 2 | 9 | Define, delineate, and establish a planting stock area to augment a regional birding environment. Include educational signage detailing the program | New | | | | | |
| 3 | 5 | Install Lower Pond Weir Improvements | New | | | | | |

Myles Kimmerly Park Master Plan Improvements Estimated Cost and Priority Schedule

| # | Conceptual Design Item Number | Description | New/ Improved/ NoChange | Priority | Requested Install Year(S) | Estimated Installation Cost | Estimated Annual Maintenance Cost after installation | Notes |
|----|---|---|-------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | 8' wide Asphalt Trail - Phase 1 Accessible Loop | Install a x miles Universally Accessible asphalt Walking Trail | New | | | | | |
| 2 | 8' wide Asphalt Trail - Phase 2 Accessible Loop | Install a x miles Universally Accessible asphalt Walking Trail | New | | | | | |
| 3 | 8' wide Asphalt Trail - Phase 3 Accessible Loop | Install a x miles Universally Accessible asphalt Walking Trail | New | | | | | |
| 4 | South Parking, Pickleball Courts, Trailhead & Kiosk Phase 1 | Install a 39 space parking lot, 4 pickleball courts and a Kiosk for a Walking Trail Trailhead and Stormwater Management | New | | | | | The additional parking area will improve the available parking for the Soccer Fields and the Ballfields. The grading of the area for items 4 and 5 may be done with Item 4 and with the installation of the phase 2 facilities done later. |
| 5 | North Parking and Pickleball Courts Phase 2 | Install a 21 space parking lot, 4 pickleball courts and Stormwater Management facilities | New | | | | | The additional parking area will improve the available parking for the existing Tennis Courts, playground area and pavilions. Potentially eliminate the need for parallel parking along the access road improving access for emergency vehicles. |
| 6 | Disc Golf Warm-up / Short Course | Install a nine hole Disc Golf Short Course and Warm-up area. | New | | | | | The Disc Golf Short Course will occupy the area currently used for the Golf Driving Range |
| 7 | Existing Ballfield Improvements | Regrade the ballfield area, Install Outfield Fencing and Improve the Ballfield Structures. | Improved | | | | | |
| 8 | Portable Restroom Enclosures | Install Restroom Enclosures at the Poor Farm Barn, at the North East Corner of the Ballfields and along the Walking Trail Loop at the Northeast corner of the soccer fields each to accommodate two Standard Porta-Potty Units. | New | | | | | |
| 9 | Portable Restroom Enclosures | Enclosure to accommodate 4 Standard and Two Accessible Porta-Potty units | Improved | | | | | |
| 10 | Future Dog Park | Reserved area North of the Arena | No Change | | | | | |
| 11 | Flexible Recreation Space | The currently Vacant acreage to the west of the Poor Farm Barn and North of CR616 that could accommodate future hiking trail, Native Restoration Example Area or the relocation of the Golf Driving Range. | No Change | | | | | |
| 12 | Arena | Arena to remain for Seasonal Ice Rink and 4H Activities | No Change | | | | | |
| 13 | Proposed Pavillion and Accessible Parking | Proposed Pavillion and Accessible Parking - Keep Unimproved Parking Area | No Change | | | | | |
| 14 | New Fencing Sections (North and East of Property Line) | Install new fencing sections along the North and East Property Lines | New | | | | | |
| 15 | Existing Basketball and Volleyball courts | | No Change | | | | | |
| 16 | Refurbish Existing Tennis Courts | Refurbish the Existing Tennis Courts | Improved | | | | | |
| 17 | Minor Existing Playground Improvements and Safety Upgrades | Make minor improvements and safety upgrades to the existing playground equipment and infrastructure | Improved | | | | | The Current CIP calls for the replacement of the Playground Equipment in 2027 with an estimate of \$22,000. The 2023 MMRMA Risk Assessment found rust and corrosion on some equipment. |
| 18 | Driveway Shoulder Parking and Pavilions to Remain | | No Change | | | | | |

Myles Kimmerly Park Master Plan Improvements Estimated Cost and Priority Schedule

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|----|--|---|-------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| 19 | Repurpose Structure for Mainenance Use | | No Change | | | | | |
| 20 | Existing Disc Golf Course | Keep and Improve the existing Disc Golf Starting are and Kiosk and Unimproved Overflow Parking Area | Improved | | | | | |
| 21 | Existing Gravel Parking Area | No change to the existing gravel parking area on the south side of the soccer fields | No Change | | | | | |
| 22 | Existing Soccer Fields | No change to the existing soccer fields | No Change | | | | | |
| 23 | Connections to Existing Woodland Trail Network | Create connections between the new loop trail and the existing Woodland Trail Network | New | | | | | |
| 24 | Existing Poor Farm Barn and Gardens | Add Bathrooms to the Poor Farm Barn | New | | 2025 | \$150,000 | | In order for the Leelanau Historical Preservation Society to conduct its activities the Poor Farm Barn must be brought up to code that requires the installation of Bathrooms within the Barn. This requires the installation of a Septic Tank and Drainfield as well as the running of water lines from the 4H arena area. The LHPS will conduct fundraising activities to fund this project. LHPS requests that the county fund 50% of this project |

VERONICA VALLEY PARKING LOT

~~10/20/21~~ 7/23/23

1. Follow county entry guide lines
2. Assume gravel parking lot at this time - no parking lines (\$40,000 paved)
3. How many parking spaces ?
4. How to design for buses/ children counter clockwise circulation
5. How to handle snow plowing
6. Location of portable toilets - barrier free
7. Waste receptacles ?

notes

10/20/21
7/23/23

Leelanau Parcel Viewer



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- Sections
- Tax Parcels

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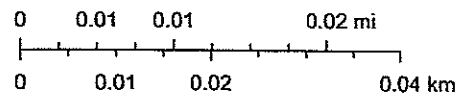
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School Bus Turning Radius, Weights and Dimensions

Heights are approximate due to suspension, load, and tire variances.

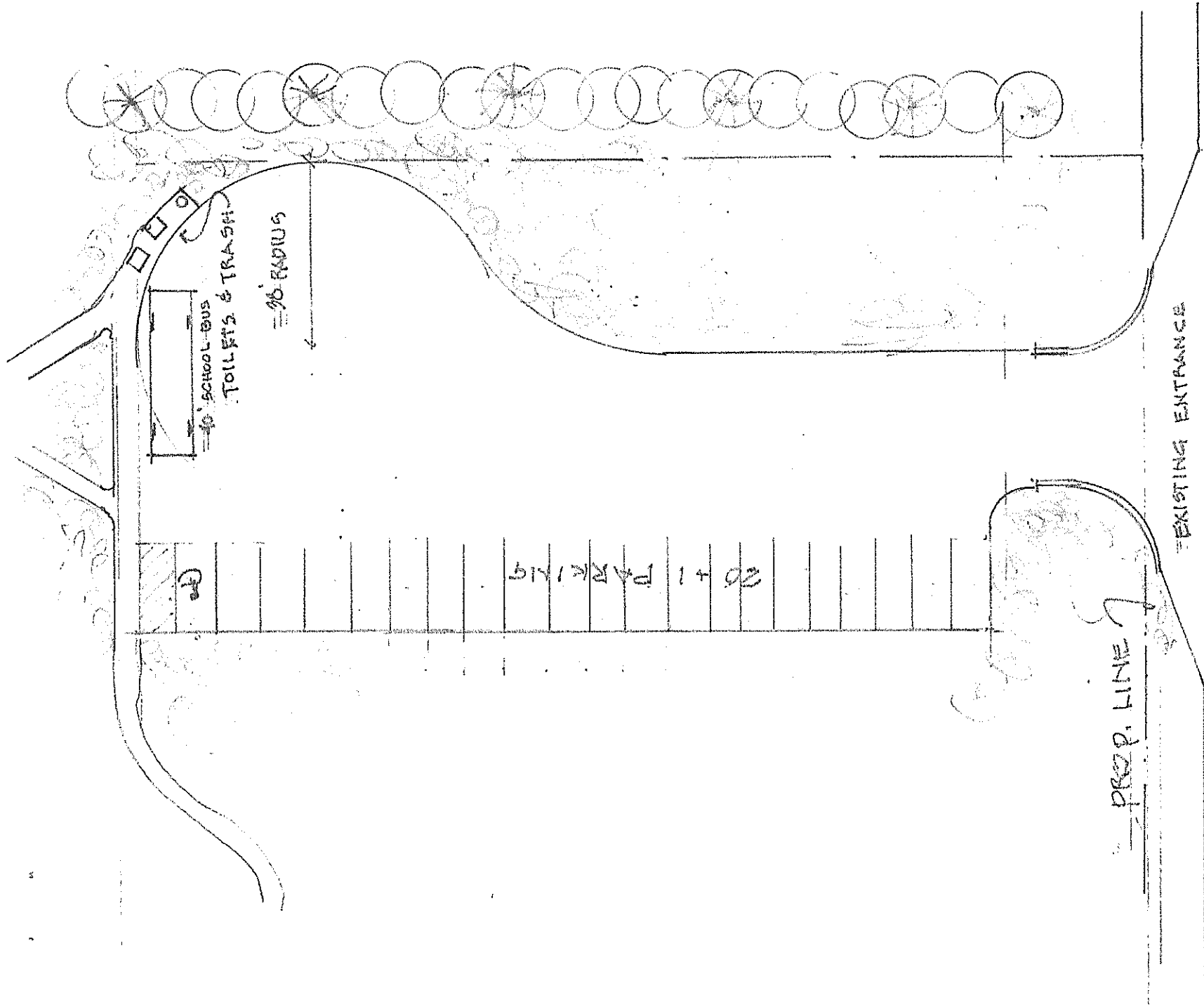
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Weights are approximate due to equipment options.

| BLUE BIRD | | | | | | | |
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| Bus Type | Bus Shell Capacity | Bus Length | Bus Width | Bus Height | Unladen Weight (pounds) | Turning Radius (Curb To Curb) | Turning Radius (Wall to Wall) |
| A1 | 29 | 271.1" | 105.5" | 105.5" | 10,755 | 30' | 31.3' |
| C | 47 | 362.9" | 116.5" | 118" | 17,119 | 25.9' | 28.3' |
| C | 65 | 446" ^{2 1/2} | 116.5" | 120.5" | 19,386 | 32.6' | 35' |
| C | 71 | 476.2" | 116.5" | 121" | 20,483 | 34.9' | 37.3' |
| D | 84 | 493.7" | 116.5" | 122.3" | 23,915 | 38.3' | 42.4' |

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| Bus Type | Bus Shell Capacity | Bus Length | Bus Width | Bus Height | Unladen Weight (pounds) | Turning Radius (Curb To Curb) | Turning Radius (Wall to Wall) |
| A1 | 29 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| C | 47 | 366.2" | 116" | 130" | 15,057 | 31.3' | 32.5' |
| C | 65 | 438.3" | 116" | 130" | 17,925 | 33.5' | 34.7' |
| C | 77 | 483.2" | 116" | 130" | 20,150 | 36.2' | 37.25' |
| D | 84 | 506" | 116" | 130" | 24,150 | 42.7' | 46.5' |

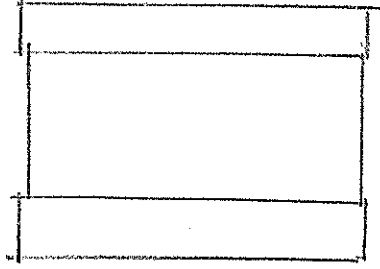
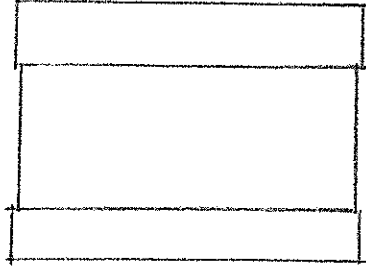
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| Bus Type | Bus Shell Capacity | Bus Length | Bus Width | Bus Height | Unladen Weight (pounds) | Turning Radius (Curb To Curb) | Turning Radius (Wall to Wall) |
| A1 | 29 | 263" | 112" | 102" | 10,500 | 30' | 31.3' |
| C | 47 | 359.7" | 118" | 134" | 17,470 | 25.75' | 27.4' |
| C | 65 | 439.7" | 118" | 134" | 18,900 | 33.4' | 35.4' |
| C | 77 | 479.7" | 118" | 134" | 20,119 | 35.9' | 37.5' |
| D | 84 | 478.9" | 118" | 137" | 22,902 | 40.8' | 45.6' |



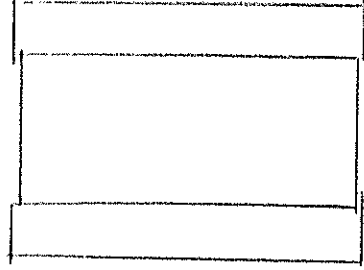
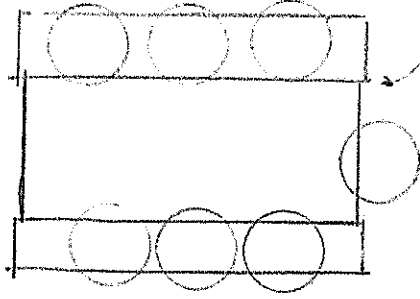
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VERONICA VALLEY PARKING LOT SCALE: 1"=30'

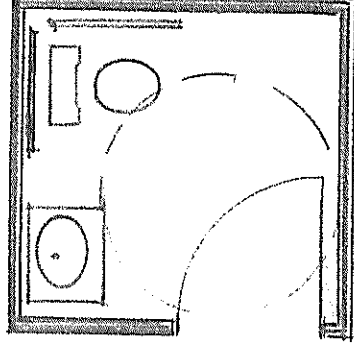
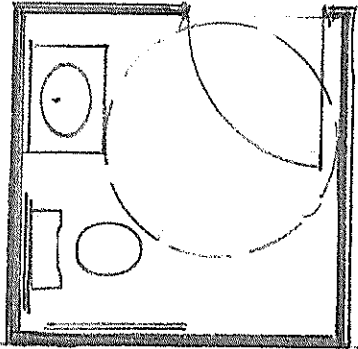
PRESENTATION BOARDS



PARK PICNIC TABLES



28 SEATS



VERONICA VALLEY

1/4" = 1' 0"

20' X 34'