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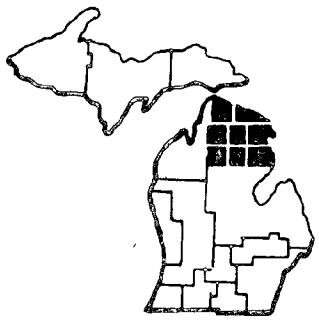

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COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 1980 - 1981 YEAR-END REPORT

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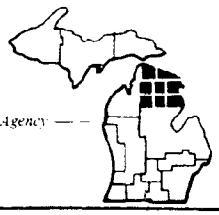

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Coastal Program Unit
Land Resource Programs Division
Department of Natural Resources
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Sirs:

The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments is pleased to submit its Year-End Report for its activities in Michigan's Coastal Management Program for 1980 - 1981. This report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 6 of our Contract No. LRP-313 with your agency.

This document provides detailed information regarding NEMCOG's activities in the development and implementation of the State's Coastal Management Program as well as the agency's involvement in various coastal issues in Northeast Michigan (Lake Huron) from October 1, 1980 through September 30, 1981.

Once again, NEMCOG is pleased to have been a part of Michigan's Coastal Program, particularly the low-cost construction projects which were funded in the region during Fiscal Year 1981 and looks forward to continued participation in this fine program.

Sincerely,

Lew Steinbrecher

Lew Steinbrecher
Senior Planner

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REVIEW OF COASTAL ACTIVITIES

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Local Assistance Efforts

The Coastal Management Program at the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments for fiscal year 1981 focused primarily upon local grants assistance with attention also devoted to local agencies dealing with specific coastal issues or opportunities. It was agreed upon by both NEMCOG and the Michigan DNR that grants information workshops would be of little benefit to local units of government along Lake Huron. This decision was based on the reasoning that such workshops would repeat material and information presented at workshops held the two previous years and that local officials were already adequately informed of the various grants programs. In lieu of these workshops, NEMCOG staff concentrated on personal contacts to generate ideas for possible grant proposals.

NEMCOG staff prepared six grant proposals for local governmental agencies during the past year, four of which appear likely candidates to receive Coastal Program grants during fiscal year 1982. Those proposals which were initiated and prepared by the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments include: continued planning along the southern end of the east side lakefront for the Village of Mackinaw City and some low-cost construction activities, a coastal land management plan for the Alpena County Planning Commission, implementation measures of the sports fishing industry for the Alcona County Economic Development Corporation, development of site design review standards in the new zoning ordinance for the Cheboygan County Planning Commission, a future land use plan for the coastal area of Alcona County for their Planning Commission, and low-cost construction activities at the Harrisville Recreation

Area for the Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission. In addition to these formal proposals, NEMCOG pursued three other projects for coastal funding consideration. Contact was made with the Presque Isle County Economic Development Corporation to propose a Great Lakes Sports Fishing Economic Impact Study similar to the study conducted in Alcona County during fiscal year 1981. While interest was shown on the part of the EDC in Presque Isle County, no proposal was developed or submitted. NEMCOG also discussed the possibility of coastal access improvements at the Presque Isle Township Lighthouse Park with the Township Board of Trustees. Again, some interest was expressed but no proposal was developed. The final project which NEMCOG actively supported and encouraged did result in the submittal of a formal grant proposal by the DNR Fisheries Division. It involved public access improvements at the Cheboygan Dam Fishing Access Site but it did not receive a favorable review by the Coastal Program and does not appear likely to be funded.

The proposals which were prepared for local governmental agencies by the staff of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments appear on the following pages.

NEMCOG staff also participated in other coastal related projects which consisted of providing assistance to local agencies. The following paragraphs present brief reports on each of those special projects.

Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve

The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments worked closely with the Alpena County Planning Committee, a local citizens group supporting the underwater preserve concept, the MSU Department of Recreation Resources and the DNR Law Enforcement Division during the various stages leading to the designation of the Thunder Bay bottomlands as one of the first two officially designated underwater preserves in the Great Lakes waters of the State of Michigan

LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY FOR
PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE COASTAL ZONE
OF CHEBOYGAN COUNTY

Project Applicant

Northeast Michigan Council of Governments on behalf of the Cheboygan County Planning Commission.

Project Location

The coastal zone land area of Cheboygan County.

Project Description

The County of Cheboygan has just now begun an effort to undertake a comprehensive revision of the Cheboygan County Zoning Ordinance (No. 100) adopted in 1970. This ordinance has many serious deficiencies and is widely recognized by county officials as being inadequate, particularly in light of the accelerated growth and development which has occurred within the county during the past decade. The County also recognizes the importance of its water resources in the physical developments which have changed the character of the area over this same period of time. This proposal is geared to examine various land management techniques and develop controls for this new ordinance best suited for Cheboygan County in dealing with physical development affecting coastal and water resources.

The Cheboygan County Planning Commission has developed a paper entitled, Suggested Zoning Districts and Uses, in which they have proposed nine separate zoning districts for the basis of this new zoning ordinance. A copy of this document is attached for ready reference. On Page 5 of this paper, the Planning Commission has suggested the establishment of the Lake and Stream Overlay (P-LS) District. The intent of this District is to require the submission of site plans for all proposed developments within 500 feet of surface waters, including Lake Huron. It is often the standards and requirements set forth in the site plan review process that enables local governments to beneficially influence proposed developments through the rejection, approval, or approval with certain conditions of site plans. These standards must, therefore, be carefully established to insure fairness and allow flexibility while also observing sound land use planning principles. The basic purpose of this proposal is to assist in the development of these site plan review criterion and other considerations to be incorporated into the revised Cheboygan County Zoning Ordinance. This will provide Cheboygan County officials with a better method of reviewing and guiding development near their water resources.

This study will also examine other approaches to be considered by Cheboygan County officials to manage and guide land use development best suited to local needs and also to the character of the county's natural environment. Examples of such approaches may include use of the proposed Lake and Stream Overlay District, the proposed Natural Resource Protection District, the proposed Planned

Unit Development District, development of performance standards, and/or use of performance guarantees.

There is also a need to establish in the zoning ordinance, a formal and coordinated internal review procedure by all necessary public agencies (such as building, zoning, public works, police and fire departments) within a reasonable period of time so as not to impose excessive delays for the developer(s).

NEMCOG staff would work cooperatively with DNR local services staff (with zoning expertise) throughout the period of this study to ensure quality control of the land regulations drafted and to avoid unnecessary delays in review and adoption of the revised ordinance.

Project Budget

Personnel	$2,900	
Secretary	400	
Fringe Benefits (40%)	1,320	
Indirect Expenses (56%)	1,850	
Travel	230	
Other Direct	150	
Total Expenses		$6,850
Revenues		
Requested Federal Funds	$5,480	
Local Match (cash)	1,370	
Total Revenues		$6,850

LAKE HURON TOURISM MARKETING STRATEGY
FOR ALCONA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Applicant

Northeast Michigan Council of Governments

Project Location

The Coastal zone land area of Alcona County

Project Description

The primary intent of this proposal is to develop a marketing plan for the Great Lakes coastal attractions of Alcona County. This marketing effort will also entail a development plan for certain coastal resources and other land parcels as to their developmental potential to enhance the county's shoreline related tourist industry. It is known that the sports fishing opportunities are the single greatest coastal attraction in the County and results from a impact study being conducted this year will document the economic importance of this industry in the Harrisville area. However, there still remains the need to develop a strategy which will expand not only the fishing sector of the county's tourism industry, but also the outdoor recreation, sight-seeing, swimming, boating and historical elements of this industry. For example, Alcona County could very easily attract more sports anglers through proper marketing and provided adequate accommodations could be provided. Nearby coastal waters certainly provide enough of a fisheries to satisfy more anglers. It is also known that there are coastal areas in Alcona County that attract visitors for reasons other than fishing. Excellent swimming beaches, rich local history, camping and picnicking also contribute significantly to the county's tourist industry. This marketing plan would detail a strategy which will enable this particular industry, a major segment of the local and regional economy, to grow and expand. The land development portion of this study would examine specific coastal lands, both public and private, and analyze their suitability for certain tourist-related uses. This analysis would include land management recommendations to encourage or preserve these selected properties for their suggested uses as well as a prospecting effort to perspective investors or developers.

A marketing plan involves three basis steps. The first step, marketing opportunity analysis, requires both the identification of opportunities in the travel market and the analysis of the county's capability to capitalize on those opportunities. As previously discussed, there appears to be many opportunities in Alcona County, but there are not enough facilities in both the public sector as well as the business community to take full advantage of this potential. There is a need to develop other products (product includes an assortment of features and services) in addition to the natural attractions along Lake Huron. Several products need to be combined into one package that can better satisfy the needs and desires of some travelers. For example, by expanding the area's capability to meet the needs of family travelers, sport anglers (usually men) would more likely combine their fishing trips

with family vacations. This may result in longer stays and more retail sales within the county.

The second component, target market selection, is a process of dividing tourists into distinct and meaningful groups of people with relatively similar interests, selecting those groups most likely to be attracted to Alcona County and then developing separate market strategies for each group identified. Through this process, the communities along Lake Huron will be better able to channel their marketing efforts with the greatest potential, design a product that matches the demand, choose the best advertising media and set the timing for promotional efforts. This year's fishing impact study will provide much of the base information on which to select the appropriate groups of travelers and to develop marketing strategies. For example, by knowing the spending habits of most fishermen who visit the county, the communities will know what the anglers' needs and wants are and can therefore, develop and provide those products for which there is a demand while at the same time, advertising the opporunities found in Alcona County in the media from their home area.

The third segment, the design of a competitive marketing strategy, formulates what specific tasks must be done in both the short and long run. The short run plan sets forth a strategy to optimize the use of existing industry, businesses, resources, and planning/development organizations. Only those projects which can be planned and implemented within one year should be included in the short run plan. The long run plan incorporates all elements and projects of the marketing strategy, including the development of new facilities that will be required before the industry can expand. It focuses on areas where new public and private investments might be profitably undertaken. This section of the study will examine specific geographical sites along the shore that may be properly suited to accommodate these new developments. This long run plan will also be closely akin to the Harrisville downtown revitalization effort and Sturgeon Point Lighthouse renovation. The downtown revitalization effort has just begun its planning activities under the direction of the recently established Harrisville Downtown Development Authority (DDA). Tax increment financing will also be examined to fund certain capital improvement projects geared to enhancing Harrisville's tourism.

Business and county involvement will be encouraged throughout the study. Contact will also be maintained with the Michigan Travel Bureau and the Huron Shores Tourist Association to take advantage of their expertise.

Project Budget

Personnel	$3,850	
Secretary	600	
Fringe Benefits	1,780	
Indirect Expenses	2,500	
Travel	460	
Other	210	
		$9,400
Requested Federal Funds	$7,520	
Local Match	1,880	
		$9,400

John Parker
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Development of Alpena County

Coastal Zone Management Plan

Project Applicant:

Alpena County Planning Commission

Project Location:

The location for this project is the entire Alpena County costal zone, an area typified by varying land uses and all possible catagories of land ownership. This area contains 32 APCs (33% of the regions's APCs) which reflect the entire continuum of criteria for establishing APCs. Unique to this costal zone area is Michigan's first "Underwater Preserve", presently being established by the DNR in accordance with PA/84 of 1980.

Also relevant is the lack of a formally accepted County land use study or plan for this area. Development of coastal zone property is currently unguided and haphazard. Alpena County's islands are particularly vulnerable to these development trends, as explained in the Great Lakes Island Management Study.

Project Description:

The Alpena County Planning Commission will contract with a college, university, or professional planning firm to:

1. Conduct a comprehensive current land use and land ownership survey in Alpena County's costal zone to include:
   a. an evaluation and prioritization of the significance of the 27 APCs in this zone, and
   b. a recommendation of other locations for APC designation, if appropriate.

2. Determine optimal land uses of publicly owned land in the costal zone.

3. Determine optimal land uses of privately owned land in this zone.

4. Recommend and prioritize parcels of privately owned land in the coastal zone for future public acquisition to fulfill needs for:
   a. public recreation - parks
   b. other public facilities
   c. natural preservation

5. Enumerate changes necessary to support active promotion of the Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve/Park as a prime tourist attraction.

6. Implement the "Island Classification and Ranking System" developed by Johnson and Anderson, Inc. in order to classify and rank the development potential, recreation potential, and resource potential of Lake Huron islands in Alpena County.

7. Formulate a Managment Plan for the entire costal zone to include:
   a. summaries of the above
   b. enumeration of actions which legislative bodies could take to:
      a. achieve optimal land use of publicly owned land in the costal zone, and
      b. involve private owners of coastal zone properties in cooperative land use planning.
   c. judgements as to how land use decisions affecting the coastal zone have and can impact the economic health (including tourism) of Alpena County.

Project Schedule:

Oct. 1, 1981	Request for proposals to receive bids for contractual services issued
Oct. 15, 1981	Deadline for receipt of bids
Oct. 31, 1981	Selection of contractor
Nov. 15, 1981	Execution of contract
Dec. 15, 1981-April 15, 1981	Consultant performs elements as agreed upon per contract
May 15, 1981	Draft document produced
June 30, 1981	Draft document distributed, hearings held, document refined
July 15, 1981	Document accepted by Alpena County Planning Commission and adopted as the first element of the County's General Development Plan
July 15, 1981-Aug. 15, 1981	Final document published and distributed by Planning Commission

Project Budget

Expenses:

Contractual services		$11,000	
Planning Commission Coordination/Supervision			
Member per diem ($220 per meeting)	$1,100		
Member travel	175		
Mail	75		
Supplies	50		
Secretary	320		
		1,720	
Printing (by Planning Commission) of Draft on Final Document		1,100	
Total Expected Cost			$13,820

Revenues:

Matching Funds	$ 2,764	
Federal Funds Requested	11,056	
Total Anticipated Revenues		$13,820

Alpena County Planning Commission

ALPENA COUNTY COURT HOUSE

ALPENA, MICHIGAN - 49707

A RESOLUTION

sponsoring

A MICHIGAN COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

Whereas, the Alpena County Planning Commission wishes to submit a project for inclusion on the list of eligible projects for funding consideration by the Michigan Costal Management Program, and;

Whereas, the Alpena County Planning Commission recognizes the environmental, historical, social, and economic values associated with the coastal resources of the County's Lake Huron shoreline and believes there is a need to plan for the proper development and use of these resources for the well-being of Alpena County, and;

Whereas, the total cost of this project is estimated to be $14,000, and;

Whereas, the Alpena County Planning Commission desires to secure financial assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program as administered by the Department of Natural Resources, to help defray the cost of this project to be matched with funds and/or in-kind contributions available from local sources on an 80% Federal/20% local basis;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Alpena County Planning Commission does hereby sponsor the Alpena County Coastal Resources Development and Management Study (Plan) with financial assistance under the Michigan Coastal Management Program and will provide the necessary local match (both in-kind contributions and cash) to implement this study.

Moved by _____, Supported by _____ to adopt the above resolution at a meeting of the Alpena County Planning Commission held on 4-1-81 (date) by a vote of:

Ayes 7

Nays 0

Abstain 1

Attested by _____
Chairman, Alpena County Planning Commission

THUNDER BAY UNDERWATER PRESERVE
PROMOTIONAL STRATEGY

Applicant

Northeast Michigan Council of Governments

Project Location

Coastal water, Great Lakes bottomlands and associated land resources of Alpena County.

Project Description

The basic purpose of this proposal is to develop and partially implement a strategy to increase an interest in and a demand for the Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve as a major Great Lakes recreational attraction. NEMCOG recognizes the strong interest of and will work closely with individuals, business, organizations and governments in the Alpena area in the development of this action plan to ensure that the specific recommendations reached in the study will be implemented locally. Additionally, contact will be maintained with the Michigan Travel Bureau to utilize the expertise of this state agency and the technical assistance which they can provide in developing this strategy.

The Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve Development Action Plan will be composed of the following elements:

A. A detailed assessment of the present tourist activities. This includes an analysis of those resources which are attracting tourists and the current types of promotional, advertising and marketing efforts in the Alpena area. Additionally, an examination of the type of people, where they came from, and what type of facilities and services they require will be conducted for that sector of the population most likely to be attracted to the Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve. This process will provide the study with information on what local efforts have been the most successful and provide a guide to what approaches should be used to promote the underwater preserve.

B. Based upon this information specific objectives will be developed to reflect what is locally agreed upon as the best approach in promoting this resource. Locally agreed upon means a consensus of those local groups and individuals who review, comment and participate in this project. Those groups to be invited to participate include the Alpena Area Tourist Association (a branch of the Greater Alpena Chamber of Commerce), the Alpena County Planning Commission and the Alpena Downtown Development Authority.

C. After these objectives have been identified, the study will analyze the constraints which must be overcome in order to achieve the desired results. Elements to be considered in this section of the strategy would be answers to the following questions:

* Are there adequate accommodations to service this new type of tourist?
* What special or unique services or facilities will need to be provided to accommodate this type of visitor and how can private investment develop these services or facilities?
* Are there festivals or special events in the local area which could incorporate activities focusing upon the underwater preserve or shipwreck theme?
* What other maritime historical resources are found locally to help promote the underwater preserve?
* What types of promotional, advertising and marketing efforts need to be done? This will be broken down into three levels: The local area (50-75 miles); attracting tourists passing through the area; targeting potential tourists at home.
* What lakefront properties could be better utilized to enhance or increase offshore activities associated with the underwater preserve?

D. A ranking of each problem identified will then be made to prioritize the most important problems to be addressed. Again, this process will involve local groups in Alpena to maintain their participation in the study. The Michigan Travel Bureau will also be asked to review and comment on this phase to take advantage of their expertise.

E. Finally, specific solutions to these problems will be developed in the Plan Implementation section. This strategy will detail specific actions to be taken to promote the Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve. Included in this section will be specific projects such as renovation or improvements to existing facilities, development of new facilities (public and private), new or expanded services unique to the underwater preserve aspect, festivals or special events, improve upon existing or create new promotional, advertising and marketing efforts at the state, regional and local levels. This effort will also include prospecting for perspective investors to capitalize upon this and related resources associated with Lake Huron in Alpena County.

This list of specific projects or activities will be finalized with the consensus of local groups participating in the study after various alternative solutions have been reviewed and discussed with them. Also identified will be specified groups and agencies with the responsibility of carrying out the projects which will best promote the underwater preserve and encourage the private sector to service the visitors to Thunder Bay and surrounding attractions.

Project Budget

Personnel	$5,600	
Secretary	800	
Fringe Benefits (40%)	2,560	
Indirect Expenses (56%)	3,580	
Travel	350	
Other Direct	100	
Total Expenses		$13,000

Revenues

Requested Federal Funds	$10,400	
Local Match (cash)	2,600	
Total Revenue		$13,000

REGIONAL COASTAL PROGRAM COORDINATION

FOR NORTHEAST MICHIGAN

Project Applicant

Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG)

Project Location

The Lake Huron coastal zone of Northeast Michigan.

Project Description

Northeast Michigan's regional coastal program coordination/administration has been an ongoing function of NEMCOG with financial support from the Michigan Coastal Management Program for the past several years. During that period, NEMCOG has served as an extension of the state's program to inform local units of current or pending efforts at the state level and to forward various issues or activities occurring at the local level into the appropriate state agency as they directly relate to management of coastal resources. Based upon these past efforts and identified local needs, the following work elements will be carried out:

a. Provide local units of government, public officials, interest groups and concerned citizens with information on current coastal management efforts in their communities. This would also include researching information on pending or ongoing state or federal activities within the coastal zone of Northeast Michigan.

b. Provide an opportunity to local residents and public officials to express their thoughts, ideas and concerns regarding activities of the Coastal Management Program, including review of APC's and projects funded by the program.

c. Prepare news releases and provide information to the news media regarding events, activities, or developments related to the Coastal Management Program or other coastal projects with which NEMCOG is sufficiently aware of. This effort would also include referring the news media to proper contacts at the local, state or federal level for more details on such issues as is appropriate.

d. Review and comment, if appropriate, upon federal grant applications through the A-95 review process for projects located within the defined coastal boundary or otherwise related to the use or development of coastal resources for impacts upon the coastal environmental and consistency with Michigan's approved Coastal Management Program.

e. Evaluate new and existing nominations as Areas of Particular Concern (APC) and take regional action, as deemed appropriate by the NEMCOG Board of Directors or its Natural Resources Advisory Committee, along with any staff review and comments. This activity includes revising management recommendations to properly reflect completed implementation measures, changing on regional priority, or other changes as may be dictated by evolving circumstances. Provide affected public officials, property owners and the Coastal Management Program with such information reflecting regional action taken on APC's.

f. Review local, regional, state and federal plans and projects within the defined coastal zone boundary or which have direct impact upon coastal resources for consisting with Michigan's Coastal Management Program. This element includes review and comment, if appropriate, on public notices to permit applications of joint U.S. Army Corps of Engineer and Department of Natural Resources permits for proposed dredge, fill or other earth alteration activities within the defined coastal zone boundary.

g. Perform staff services to NEMCOG's Natural Resources Advisory Committee relative to coastal management program related matters.

h. Provide grants assistance to coastal communities to help secure state and/or federal funds which relate to coastal oriented projects upon request. Because of the rural character of the region and small local governmental budgets, most coastal communities can not prepare their own grant applications without some degree of professional assistance. NEMCOG has been able to provide this service to numerous local units along Lake Huron in the past for coastal projects. This assistance ranges from review and comment on draft grant proposals to actually preparing an entire application on behalf of the local governmental unit. This element entails travel to meet with the local governing board or its appointed agency (such as planning commission) to discuss a proposed project, develop the scope of work, a work schedule and budget and gathering the necessary supporting documents in the grant application package.

This element emphasizes working with local public officials on a one-to-one basis to discuss and work out the details of a particular grant application, to avoid any foreseeable problems with the application and ensure that a quality proposal is submitted for review and funding consideration. In the past, this approach has resulted in many successful grant applications being funded under the Michigan Coastal Management Program. Other state and federal funding programs have also been considered and applied for using this method of assistance, including the Michigan Land Trust Fund-Land Acquisition Proposal, The Land and Water Conservation Fund and the Resource Conservation and Development Project-Action Measure Proposal (U.S. Department of Agriculture), to implement coastal projects. Most of these programs have been utilized by coastal communities within the region to improve public access and waterfront recreation opportunities.

i. Provide direct technical assistance to caostal communities in establishing planning commissions, local parks and recreation boards, reviewing proposed zoning ordinances or other regulations and similiar activities where it can be demonstrated that such assistance will directly expand, improve or create new efforts in coastal resource management at the local level. This element will include discussion for the use of existing state statutes (Shorelands Protection and Management Act, Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act, Township Rural Zoning Act, etc.) available to local units of government to implement coastal land management policies. Discuss and exchange information regarding management of the various resources and problems associated with the Lake Huron shoreline, including recreation, public access, energy development, destruction of wet lands, economic development activities (great lakes shipping, limestone production, industry, commercial fishing, tourism, etc.) flooding, erosion, pollution, conflicting land uses, loss of cultural, historic or environmental resources, and other shoreline development.

j. Perform other relative duties for the Michigan Coastal Management Program as needed or as requested by the DNR Shorelands Section. This includes any special coastal related activity at the initiative of NEMCOG or at the request of a local unit of government.

The above activities will require a certain amount of administrative functions for record keeping purposes to clearly document NEMCOG's involvement in coastal related matters throughout the region. Most of this documentation will be submitted to the Michigan Coastal Management Program as a summary of NEMCOG's activities during the duration of the grant period in the form of a year end report. In addition to this report, NEMCOG will provide the DNR Coastal Program Unit with the necessary financial and progress reports on a quarterly basis. Such reports will include the name, title, hourly rate and total hours worked of the employee(s) charged to the contract. The year-end report will include:

a. List of all meetings attended by NEMCOG's coastal planner and a summary of the coastal program portionand number of people attending meeting.

b. List of all contacts, whether personal, by phone or by letter, relating to coastal matters.

c. List and summary of any and all conferences attended by NEMCOG's coastal planner outside of the northeast Michigan region relating to Coastal Management Program interests.

d. Listing of all consultation with Michigan Coastal Management Program staff (DNR personnel).

e. Newspaper clippings and summary of known radio/television coverage of projects and activities directly related to the coastal management program.

f. Summary of NEMCOG's technical and grants assistance to coastal communities during the contract period.

Project Schedule

October 1981 through August 1982 - Perform work elements as described

January 1982 through April 1982 - Provide grants assistance for development of local project proposal. Attend local meetings as needed.

August 30, 1982 - Submit year-end report.

Project Budget

Coastal Planner's Salary (6 man months)	$9,500	
Secretary (4 man weeks)	800	
Fringe Benefits (40%)	4,120	
Indirect Expenses (56%)	5,770	
Travel	2,400	
Other Direct	210	
TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS		$22,800
Requested Federal Funds	$18,240	
Local Match (cash)	4,560	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES		$22,800

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Resolution No. 81-03-5

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NORTHEAST MICHIGAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR A COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments has been and wishes to continue to assist the various local units of government in managing their coastal resources, and;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Land Resource Programs Division has provided the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments with grants for each of the past six years to assist in the development and implementation of the Michigan Coastal Management Program, and;

WHEREAS, the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments wishes to submit a proposal for inclusion on the list of eligible projects to be funded by the Michigan Coastal Management Program, and;

WHEREAS, this year's projects encompasses continued technical and grants assistance to local units of government along Lake Huron within Northeast Michigan and development of a coastal rescurces development study for Alcona and Cheboygan counties, and;

WHEREAS, the total cost of these projects are estimated to be $34,000, and;

WHEREAS, the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments desires to secure financial assistance from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources through its Coastal Management Program to help defray the cost of these projects to be matched with funds available from local sources on an 80% Federal/20% local basis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments does hereby support these projects and will provide the necessary local match with Coastal Program funds to implement this proposal.

The above resolution is adopted by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments on 17 March 1981 by motion from George Jury, *seconded by* Gerald Mast, *and a vote of:*

Ayes all (12)

Nays none

Abstained none

Attested by: Robert W. French

Thomas W. Martin (Robert W. French,
President First Vice-President

Councilman - 3/9/81

WATERTOWER AND STRAITS PARK LOW-COST CONSTRUCTION

and

SOUTH-END WATERFRONT SITE DESIGN STUDY

Project Applicant

The Village of Mackinaw City

Project Location

Mackinaw City's Watertower Park (Boulevard Park 1 referred to in the Mackinaw City Design Studies, 1979) is located on the shores of the Straits of Mackinac, approximately 500 feet north of the City Marina. It is the site of the present watertower and old sewage treatment plant as well as the proposed location of the new water tower. Under a grant awarded by the Land and Water Conservation Program, the Village will be constructing new public restroom facilities during the summer 1981.

The Straits Park is located next to property owned by the Mackinaw Island State Park Commission and is open to the public at no charge. It is east of both the Mackinaw Point Lighthouse and Fort Michilimackinac State Park, which charges admission fees. The park offers an excellent view of the Mackinac Bridge as well as the Straits of Mackinac, including Mackinac Island. Both the Watertower Park and Straits Park are proposed for low-cost construction to improve public access to the Straits of Mackinac and to enhance the scenic views offered at these sites.

The site design study portion of this grant proposal includes the re-design of Boulevard (Watertower) Park and the entire waterfront area of Mackinaw City from the State Ferry Dock south to the Village limits. This area is all within the defined coastal boundary and includes the complex US-23 and business loop intersection as well as the Barbard Street-end and lakefront Ford Drive. This area was not considered on the 1979 Design Study for Mackinaw City as originally prepared by Land Planning and Design Associates. (See map).

Project Description

This project is separated into two portions, an overall analysis of Mackinaw City's south-end waterfront between the State Ferry Dock and the southern village limits along with a site design study for improved public access as well as a re-design for Boulevard (Watertower) Park in light of changes in the original design for improvements at that site and low-cost construction activities at Straits and Watertower Parks to improve public access and enhance the scenic views of the historic Straits of Mackinac and the impressive Mackinac Bridge.

A private consulting firm will be selected by a competitive bid process to undertake the southend Site Design and Watertower Park re-design study portion of this project. The firm will be responsible for various site improvements

design drawings for Watertower Park, State Ferry Dock, the Barbara Street-end, the waterfront along Ford Drive, the orientation of the Mackinaw City parks system at the US-23 business loop intersection and proposed store front remodeling along this strip of primarily commercial businesses. Preliminary design concepts will be submitted to both the Mackinaw City Village Council and its Planning Commission for review as well as a public meeting conducted to receive citizen comments. After this review process, the consultant will finalize the site designs, including cost estimates and presented to the Village Planning Commission for approval.

The low-cost construction activities at both Watertower and Straits Parks will be undertaken by the Village of Mackinaw City itself, using Village employees and equipment. This project will be similar to that conducted by the Village under an FY 1980 Coastal Management Grant at two other street-end parks on the Straits of Mackinac. Activities proposed under this portion of the project include the installation of bollards with weather-resistant rope looped through them, construction of several benches, placement of top-soil followed with seedings, tree and shrub plantings, construction of two observation pads, completion of barrier-free inter-connecting pedestrian walkways and installation of split-rail fencing.

This project also calls for the construction of an orientation sign to be erected at the US-23 Business loop intersection near the southern Village limits and an information/parking sign for the historic sloop "WELCOME" in the downtown Marina area.

Attached to this application is a resolution unanimously adopted by the Mackinaw City Village Council, sponsoring and supporting this proposal. This project would implement proposed public recreational improvements to the waterfront of Mackinaw City as outlined in the Site Design Study for the community in 1979 with financial assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program.

Project Schedule

October 1, 1981	-	Request consulting firm bids for site design portion of project.
October 15, 1981	-	Deadline to receive consultants' bid estimates.
December 1, 1981	-	Village Council selects appropriate firm.
December 20, 1981	-	Execute contract and begin design study.
February 15, 1982	-	Complete re-design of Watertower Park
March 15, 1982	-	Preliminary south-end design study complete
April 15, 1982	-	Begin low-cost construction activities at Straits and Watertower Parks.
April 30, 1982	-	Complete public review process of site design study.
May 30, 1982	-	Consultant submits final design study for Planning Commission approval.
July 30, 1982	-	Village submits three copies of final documents to Coastal Management Program.
August 15, 1982	-	Complete low-cost construction activities.

Project Budget

Contractual Services (Site Design Study)		$ 6,000
Straits Park		10,400
2,000 sq. ft. crushed stone	1,000	
32 shrubs & trees	1,200	
2,000 Sq. Yds. topsoil & seedings	1,900	
8 benches	1,200	
1 observation pad	350	
Fieldstone abutment for pad	300	
Rough grading	1,700	
40 wood bollards with rope	1,250	
Split-rail fencing, RR ties & wood chips	1,500	
Boulevard (Watertower) Park		$16,100
25 trees/10 shrubs planting	2,450	
3,600 sq. yd. topsoil & seedings	3,400	
10 benches	1,500	
2 park signs	700	
140 wood bollards with rope	1,900	
1 observation pad	350	
9,750 sq. ft. crushed stone	5,000	
Split-rail fencing	800	
2 Information/Orientation Signs		$ 1,400
TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS		$33,900
Requested Federal Funds	$27,120	
Local Match (In-kind contributions and cash)	6,780	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES		$33,900

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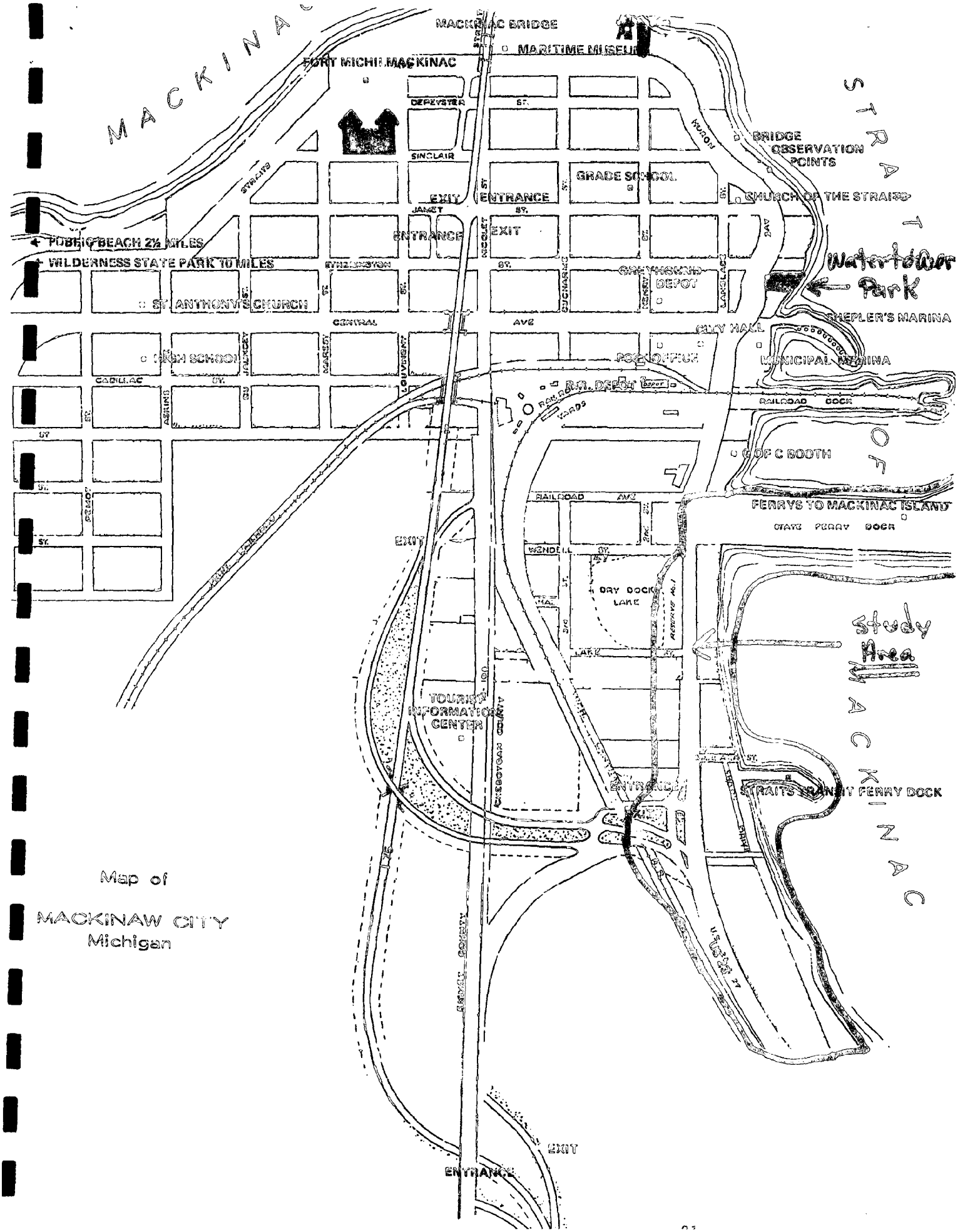

Map of

MACKINAW CITY
Michigan

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR A COSTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Village of Mackinaw City wishes to submit a project for inclusion on the list of eligible projects for funding consideration by the Michigan Coastal Management Program; and,

WHEREAS, This project is the development of a site design study for the southside waterfront of Mackinaw City, the re-design of Watertower Park and low-cost construction at Watertower and Straits Parks on the Straits of Mackinaw; and,

WHEREAS, The total cost of this project is estimated to be $33,900; and,

WHEREAS, The Village of Mackinaw City desires to secure financial assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program as administered by the Department of Natural Resources to help defray the cost of this project to be matched on an 80% Federal/20% local basis with funds and/or in-kind contributions available from local sources;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mackinaw City Village Council does hereby support and endorse this project and will provide the necessary local match with Coastal Management Program funds to implement this project.

Moved by _____, *supported by* _____

to adopt the above resolution at a meeting of the Mackinaw City Village Council held on 3/19/81 (date) *and by a vote of:*

Ayes _____

Nays _____

Attested by _____

President, Mackinaw City

_____

Village Clerk

New

HARRISVILLE SPORTS FISHING INDUSTRY NEEDS IMPLEMENTATION MEASURES AND DESIGN STUDY

Project Sponsor

Alcona County Economic Development Corporation (established by the Alcona County Board of Commissioners under authority of Michigan's Economic Development Corporation, No. 338, P.A. 1974).

Project Location

The study area for this project would generally encompass those parcels of land within the City of Harrisville which are experiencing both beneficial and detrimental impacts, either economically or physically, as a result of the Lake Huron sports fishing industry as well as property not currently impacted but have potential of providing opportunities to enhance this industry. This would include all lakefront property within the breakwaters of the Harrisville Harbor, land immediately across Lake Street to the west of the DNR launching facility and harbor parking area, Harrisville State Park, Harrisville Recreational area, the old Detroit & Mackinac Railway Station, the central business district, the dead end area of Main Street, the shoulder area along Church Street, and other impacted properties. A map depicting the location of the various areas to be addressed in the study is attached.

Project Description

Currently, the Alcona County Planning Commission is sponsoring a study under the Michigan Coastal Management Program to determine the economic impacts of Lake Huron sports fishing on the coastal communities of Alcona County. The City of Harrisville is by far, the most significantly impacted community in the County by this activity. However, this year's study being carried out by the MSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife will only identify the needs and problems of anglers, businesses, and residents as well as an accurate estimate of the dollars being generated locally as a result of this industry. There are no provisions to plan or design improvements for the necessary facilities to better accommodate the sports fishing public who annually visit this community, nor are there any measures being developed or implemented to satisfy the needs of anglers, businessmen or the residents and problems which they are experiencing. There is a desperate need to conduct a traffic flow and parking study through the downtown area, all along Lake Street and other residential districts where these problems now exist. New areas to expand parking must be identified, de-

signed, and constructed. This study would accomplish the planning and site design for such facilities. It is also proposed that this project would provide for the publication and distribution of a community fishing guide brochure to inform anglers as they enter Harrisville about local eating establishments, lodging accommodations, proper parking arrangements, bait and tackle shops, and other information often needed by outside fishermen.

In light of the current economic conditions within Michigan and efforts by the Governor and legislators to diversify the State's economy, particularly with emphasis on increased public/private cooperation to develop new approaches in expanding the travel-tourist industry, this project could very easily be viewed as an investment of public funds, rather than an expenditure. Governor Milliken's 1981 State of the State Message clearly identifies the water resources of the Great Lakes as a unique opportunity not only for recreation, but for economic development. The potential for expanding fisheries activities in Alcona County can help diversify the State's economy as well as provide employment locally through the success of this project.

By designing available sites to meet current and projected demands on facilities used by sport fishermen, developing a promotional campaign to more effectively attract new anglers, encouraging and providing incentives to the private sector to help satisfy the needs of this industry and minimizing the problems being caused by this industry, this project can help achieve better intergovernmental coordination in addressing the coastal-related issues in Alcona County, provide improved public access to the Lake Huron shoreline and implement new state policies toward economic diversification using available natural resources.

This project would also entail certain low-cost construction activities within the City of Harrisville in cooperation with affected local units of government. Such activities would include the construction and placement of directional and orientation signs along the most heavily used streets to provide information to incoming anglers and a fishermen's information board or center at the Harrisville Harbor, perhaps at the various fish cleaning stations. Another activity proposed would be the working with the Detroit & Mackinaw Railway, Michigan Department of Transportation, and the Michigan Travel Bureau to organize, promote, and conduct a Lake Huron fish-train which would be a weekend fishing expedition to various locations, with Harrisville as its destination. Anglers would be transported from the old Harrisville Railroad Station to the Harbor for fishing activities and to appropriate lodging accommodations in the area.

It is proposed that a qualified private consulting firm would be selected to carry out certain planning and design functions, EDC staff to perform the promotional activities and work with local businesses, County employees to build and erect the direc-

tional signs, and a qualified printing studio selected to design and publish the fishing guide brochure.

Project Schedule

October 15, 1981	-	Request for proposals to receive consulting firm bids for traffic planning and design
November 15, 1981	-	Deadline for receipt of bids for traffic planning and design
December 1981	-	Select consultant and execute contract
March 1, 1982	-	Draft of traffic planning and design complete
March 1, 1982	-	Invite bids for printing of brochure
March 15, 1982	-	Deadline of printing bids
April 15, 1982	-	Planning and Design Study completed
April 15, 1982	-	County employees complete signs and erect in proper location according to plans
May 1, 1982	-	Brochures published
October 1, 1981 through July 15, 1982	-	EDC staff coordinates above projects, works with local businesses expand product lines and services, and perform promotional activities.

Project Budget

Salary for EDC Staff (5 man months)	$ 5,000	
Travel	1,200	
Consultant Services (Planning & Design)	13,000	
Printing (Brochure Development)	1,500	
Directional Signs and Information Board	2,000	
TOTAL EXPECTED COSTS		$22,700
Requested Federal Funds	$18,160	
Local Match (in-kind and cash)	4,540	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES		$22,700

Contact Person

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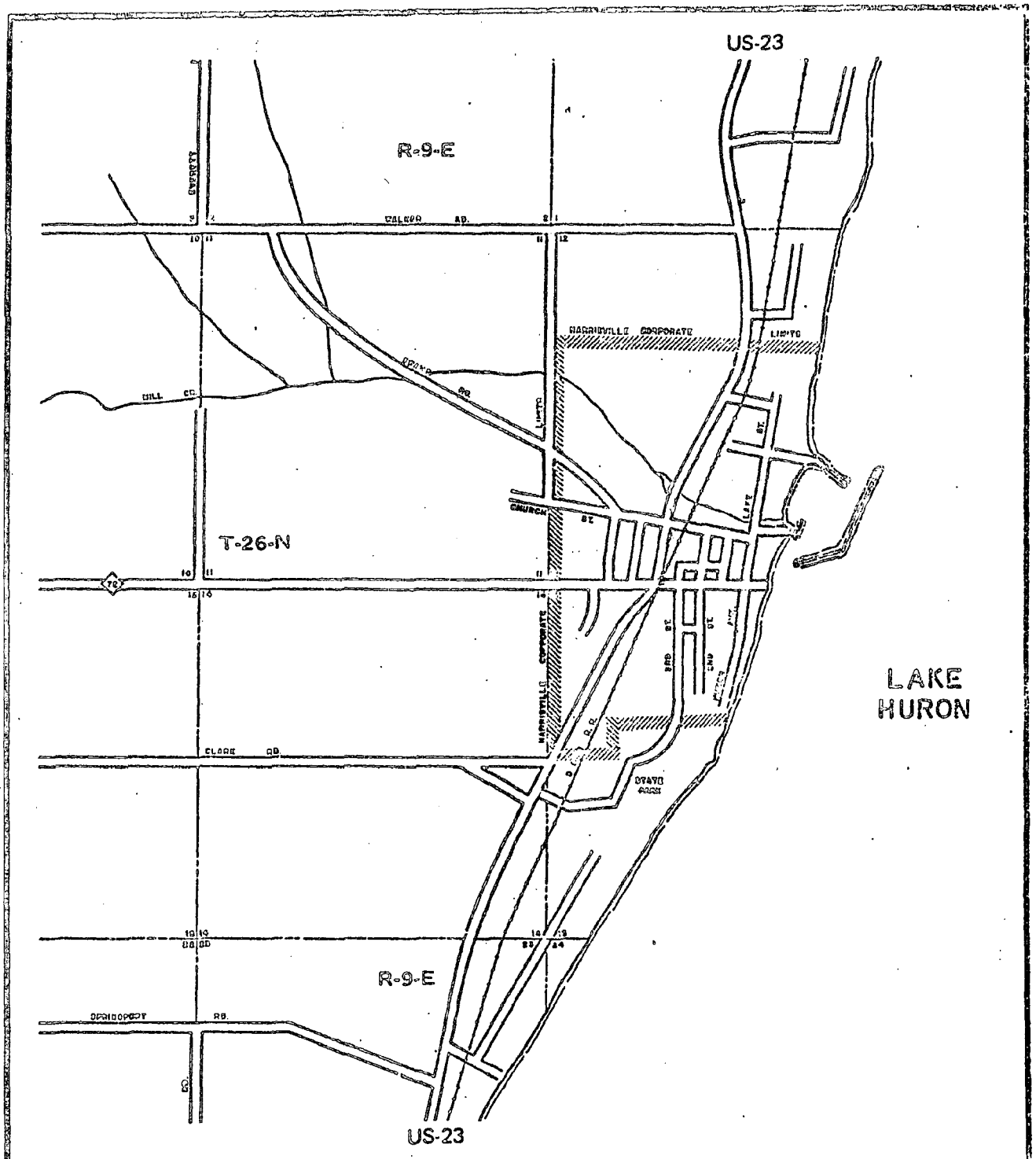

HARRISVILLE

Existing Proposed
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SERVICE AREA
SEWER LINES
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NORTHEAST MICHIGAN REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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ALCONA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
A RESOLUTION

supporting

A MICHIGAN COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Economic Development Corporation wishes to submit a project for inclusion on the list of eligible projects to be funded by the Michigan Coastal Management Program; and,

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Economic Development Corporation recognizes the value of the sports fishing impact study presently being conducted by the County Planning Commission and desires to follow-up on that effort by undertaking certain implementation measures and a design study to enhance this industry and thereby strengthen the local economy of Alcona County; and,

WHEREAS, This study would also accommodate the needs of fishermen and local businesses and residents by improving or providing for the improvement of various facilities associated with coastal recreational activities in the Harrisville area; and,

WHEREAS, The total cost of this project is estimated to be $22,700; and,

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Economic Development Corporation desires to secure financial assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program, as administered by the Department of Natural Resources, to help defray the cost of this project to be matched with funds and/or materials, work and equipment available from local sources on an 80% Federal/ 20% local basis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alcona County Economic Development Corporation does hereby sponsor the Harrisville fishing industry needs implementation measures and design study with financial assistance under the Michigan Coastal Management Program and will provide the necessary local match (both in-kind contribution and cash) to implement this project.

Moved by _____, *supported by* _____ *to adopt the above resolution at a meeting of the Alcona County Economic Development Corporation held on* _____ *(date) by a vote of:*

Ayes ____

Nays ____

Attested by _____

Chairman, Alcona County Economic Development Corporation

ALCONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
A RESOLUTION

supporting

A MICHIGAN COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Board of Commissioners is aware of the intent of the Alcona County Economic Development Corporation to submit a project for funding consideration under the Michigan Coastal Management Program; and,

WHEREAS, The scope of the project is to plan, design and carry out certain implementation measures associated with the Great Lakes sports fishing industry and is detailed in a final grant application which has been prepared; and,

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Board of Commissioners is aware that the total cost of this project is estimated to be $22,700 and that financial assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program is available to the Economic Development Corporation to help defray the cost of this project to be matched with funds, material, labor and/or equipment from local sources on an 80% Federal/20% local basis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alcona County Board of Commissioners does hereby support and endorse the efforts of the Alcona County Economic Development Corporation in its efforts to secure funding assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program to carry out this project.

Moved by _____, *supported by* _____ *to adopt the above resolution at a meeting of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners held on* _____ *(date) by a vote of:*

Ayes _____

Nays _____

Attested by _____

Chairman, Alcona County Board of Commissioners

Sent to Jack Hayden, Chairman
on 3/3/81

LOW-COST CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES AT HARRISVILLE RECREATION AREA

Project Applicant

The Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission

Project Location

The Harrisville Recreation Area is located along the northern corporate limits of the City of Harrisville, Alcona County, Michigan, between U.S. 23 and Lake Huron. The entire 17 acre parcel is located within the Coastal Boundary as documented by the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (see Attachment A). The site is bordered to the west by the track of the Detroit and Mackinaw Railway Company, and is within 350 feet of the shores of Lake Huron, is separated by a large, privately owned parcel of land.

The site is easily accessible to and heavily used by the local population and tourists, particularly sports fishermen, alike. It is located at the corner of Lake Street and Michigan Avenue, both paved streets in the City of Harrisville. Michigan Avenue extends west and intersects with U.S. 23 and Lake Street serves as the access street to the DNR boat launching facility (one block south) and the Harrisville Harbor of Refuge (two blocks south). The site has recently been given to the Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission after many years of management by the Alcona County Fair Board. The fairgrounds were officially transferred to other county-owned land with more acreage. The property is well known as public land by many residents and visitors. Attachment "A" is a location map of the Harrisville Recreation Area.

Project Description

The project includes the completion of construction drawings for and actual low-cost construction of entrance road, parking accommodations, an observation platform (approximately 10 feet high), split-rail fencing, tree and shrub plantings and landscaping at the Harrisville Recreation Area. The Parks and Recreation Commission has already approved the site design for this park which calls for three ball diamonds. However, there has been considerable

concern given to other improvements on their property to better accommodate the needs of Great Lakes sports fishermen which heavily use public facilities along Lake Huron in Harrisville, particularly during the fall and early spring fishing seasons. The improvements proposed under this program are specifically geared toward better parking accommodations for these anglers, providing a scenic view overlooking the Harrisville Harbor breakwaters, the shoreline both north and south of the site and the open water of Lake Huron. The purpose of the split-rail fencing and vegetation is to sufficiently delineate the property boundary line between this public park and adjoining private parcels. Landscaping and seeding would be needed to improve access and pedestrian traffic on the grounds itself.

Actual construction of these improvements would be carried out by employees of the County under supervision and would be completed separate from any other activities, such as construction of the proposed ball diamonds, whether prior, during or after this project.

The parking lot would be constructed with crushed rock and delineated by chain and bollards to prevent vehicle traffic on the grounds. It is so designed to accommodate the large motorhomes and camping trailers which often accompany the Great Lakes anglers on their visits to Harrisville.

Project Schedule

March 1, 1982 - Locate and secure needed building materials for project.
April 15, 1982 - County employees begin construction and landscaping activities.
August 1, 1982 - Complete low-cost construction project.

Project Budget

Observation Platform	$ 7,000	
Access Road and Parking	4,500	
Split-Rail Fencing	2,000	
Trees, shrubbery, landscaping	4,300	
TOTAL PROJECT COST		$17,800
Requested Federal funds	$14,240	
Local Match (in-kind contribution of material and labor)	3,560	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES		$17,800

Project Coordinator

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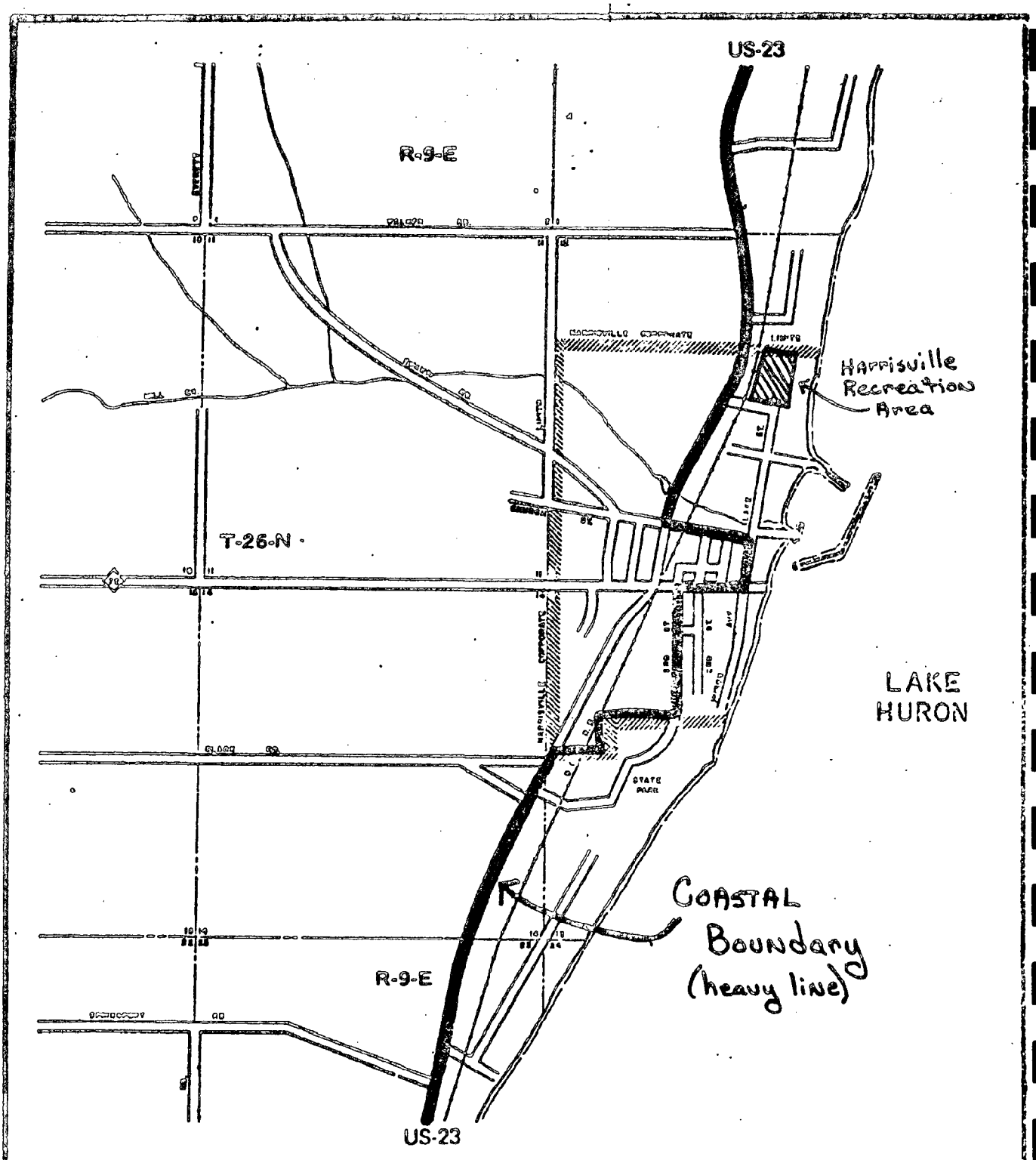
ATTACHMENT "A"



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ALCONA COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

FOR A MICHIGAN COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission wishes to submit a project for inclusion on the list of eligible projects to be funded by the Michigan Coastal Management Program; and,

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission, realizing the need and benefit both to visitors and residents of Alcona County, have placed full development of the Harrisville Recreation Area high on its list of priorities; and,

WHEREAS, This project entails the development and low-cost construction at the Harrisville Recreation Area; and,

WHEREAS, The total cost of this project is estimated to be $17,800; and,

WHEREAS, The Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission desires to secure financial assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program, as administered by the Department of Natural Resources, to help defray the cost of this project to be matched with funds and/or materials, work and equipment available from local sources on an 80% Federal/20% local basis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission shall work actively toward the completion of the Harrisville Recreation Area project with assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program and will provide the necessary local match to implement this project.

Moved by _____, *supported by* _____ *to adopt the above resolution at a meeting of the Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission held on* _____ *(date) by a vote of:*

Ayes _____

Nays _____

Attested by _____

Chairman, Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission

To: Mr. Bruce Andrews
c/o Department of Natural Resources
Stevens T. Mason Bldg.
Lansing, MI 48926

From: Ad Hoc Committee Supporting the Thunder Bay
Bottomland Preserve Concept

I. The Alpena County Planning Commission introduced and passed a resolution at its regularly scheduled meeting of September 3, 1980. The motion was in support of the Thunder Bay Bottomlands Preserve Concept and was unanimously approved by a vote of 10 Ayes and Ø Nayes. Subsequent action taken by the Planning Commission was creation of an "Ad Hoc" Committee to establish a consensus of opinions from the Alpena County community.

The, "Thunder Bay Bottomlands Preserve Concept", Ad Hoc Committee, met on Sept. 16, 19 and 23, 1980 for purpose of creating this draft document of recommendation to the Department of Natural Resources. Those invited to participate were selected from general interest groups such as Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce and Northeast Michigan Economic Development Authority, citizens known to have a vested interest, such as divers and boat owner/operators and community involvement organizations such as Besser Foundation and The Alpena Area Community Foundation.

From information and attitudes that materialized at the subject meetings, this report and recommendation is being presented.

We, the subject Ad Hoc Committee, enthusiastically and respectfully, request that Thunder Bay and environs, as identified in paragraph IV of this report, be designated an Underwater Preserve; this to be done according to authority given by P.A. 184, of 1980. We restate, per paragraph II, that the local governing bodies be given a voice in definition of rules under the subject act.

II. It is the sentiment of the Ad Hoc Committee that laws governing bottomlands of the Great Lakes are to be interpreted, and enforced, by the Department of Natural Resources. In conjunction with this feeling, we and the local administrative governments desire opportunity to provide local input, as well as draft rules to serve in the administration of the subject, Underwater Preserve.

The Ad Hoc Committee has been advised by an outspoken citizenry that local inputs are necessary for successful implementation of this program. We need, and will appreciate, the guidance of Department of Natural Resources in drafting whatever regulations are necessary, but final responsibility should be within the local province.

Disposition of artifacts to be recovered should definitely be a responsibility of local agencies; ie., the Jesse Besser Museum Director has expressed interest and willingness in involvement. This would direct treasures to a more logical resting arena, historically and otherwise.

Local endorsement of the Underwater Preserve designation for Thunder Bay has been given, but with the caveat that administration must be shared by our State DNR and local government. Public Act No. 184 of 1980 offers advantage to the State, Local Government, and mostly, to those who will share in the exploration and appreciation of what is to be found on our bottomlands.

D. H. Riley, Supervisor, Alpena Township

III. The people of Alpena County feel preservation of Thunder Bay bottomlands will ultimately lead to further educational, recreational and economic impact, for not only the Alpena area, but Northeast Michigan, the State and even the Nation.

There are at least 50 known shipwrecks which represent a resource of historical significance, the islands, underwater sinkholes, a limestone wall and other formations, providing unique geologic sites.

The recreational opportunities are almost unlimited. The County owns centrally located property within the proposed preserve. There are potential offshore and onshore recreational facilities. Charter and glass bottom boats could provide recreational opportunities to not only the diving population, but general public, as well.

The tourism a preserve would promote would come at a time when the economy in Northeast Michigan is at a low with no sign of immediate relief. The Alpena community would be willing to interface with other developments, both existing and planned, to encourage tourism. We would be cooperating with agencies such as the Chamber of Commerce, Jesse Besser Museum, NEMEDA, NEMCOG and others, to utilize a combination of ideas.

For all of the above reasons we ask your serious consideration of Thunder Bay as an underwater preserve.

Elaine Wils, Member, Ad Hoc Committee for Thunder Bay Preserve

IV. The assumption that Alpena County's Thunder Bay will be designated an Underwater Preserve leads to a need of identifying boundaries and specific locations of the shipwrecks involved.

Current state of the art in diving technology leads to establishment of 200 foot depth as being a reasonable maximum for accomplished divers. This, of course, would be the responsibility of individual groups, divemasters and/or charter boat operators. This premise should give reason to set the preserve boundary on the 200 foot depth line encircling Thunder Bay.

To augment electronic means of locating the 50, or so, shipwrecks within the preserve, local interested organization could and would establish a means of marking the sites. This will eliminate haphazard exploration by transients, leading to disappointment, dissatisfaction and possible loss of interest in our superb facility.

We have expectations of development of our Thunder Bay Preserve being enhanced via the subject designation. Our local divers, boaters and casual citizens have voiced opinions, interest, and support. The principal motivation being pride in our Northeast Michigan.

Input from Local Divers

The preceding segments of supportive attitudes are intended to augment current DNR interest in designating Thunder Bay as an underwater preserve, per terms of Public Act 184 of 1980. We, the Ad Hoc Committee for Endorsement of the Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve, request your attention and decision as described.

Nathan N. Bader, Chairman
Ad Hoc Committee For Endorsement of Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve

Nathan N. Bader

Enclosures, (3) 1. Alpena County Planning Commission Resolution of 9/13/80
2. Ad Hoc Committee; Invitation To 9/16/80 Meeting
3. Roster of Attendees To Ad Hoc Committee Meetings

September 30, 1980
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Alpena 49707

ALPENA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
ALPENA, MICHIGAN

A RESOLUTION

supporting

THE THUNDER BAY BOTTOMLANDS PRESERVE CONCEPT

WHEREAS, The Thunder Bay area of Lake Huron has been identified as having one of the heaviest concentration of Great Lakes shipwrecks along the Michigan shoreline; and,

WHEREAS, The Thunder Bay area bottomlands also has some interesting geological features such as limestone walls and underwater sinkholes; and,

WHEREAS, A research study conducted by the Department of Parks and Recreation Resources of Michigan State University in 1975 identified numerous shipwrecks in the Thunder Bay area and proposed an underwater park concept; and,

WHEREAS, A recently enacted State Statute (P.A. 184 of 1980) provides for the protection and preservation of abandoned property on Great Lakes bottomlands in the State of Michigan and authorizes the designation of certain bottomland areas which have a collection of abandoned properties that possess significant historical and/or recreational values as Great Lakes bottomland preserves; and,

WHEREAS, The Alpena County Planning Commission has recognized these values in the Thunder Bay area through the nomination of these shipwrecks as an "Area of Particular Concern" (APC) under the Michigan Coastal Management Program and has placed high priority upon this nomination; and,

WHEREAS, The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) has also recognized the historical and recreational values by placing high regional priority upon this APC nomination as well;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alpena County Planning Commission does hereby support and encourage the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Underwater Salvage Committee to designate the Thunder Bay area as a Great Lakes bottomlands preserve under authority of P.A. 184 of 1980.

The above resolution was considered at a meeting of the Alpena County Planning Commission held on 9/3/1980. *Moved by* Richard Clute, *supported by* Nathan Bader *to adopt and a vote of:*

Ayes 10
Nays 0
ABSENT 1

Attested by John Porter
Alpena County Planning Commission Chairman

THOMSON
INVESTMENT SERVICES
OF MICHIGAN

Announcement: Public Meeting to discuss Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve/Park
When & Where: September 16, 1980, 4:30 P.M. in the Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting room

You are being notified of this meeting and are invited to attend because of your stated interest in the topic; Public Act No. 184.

On September 3, 1980 the Alpena County Planning Commission, at its regular monthly meeting, endorsed a resolution, "Supporting The Thunder Bay Bottomlands Preserve Concept. A copy of the resolution is enclosed for your information. As an active member of the Planning Commission, the undersigned has been appointed to chair an Ad Hoc Committee for purpose of subject review and ultimate recommendation(s) to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

We shall meet as a group of interested citizens; our purpose is to achieve conclusive recommendations for evaluation by the DNR. Our thoughts should be, and will be, concentrated on an outline based on:

1. What input should be provided to the DNR
2. Who whould provide it.
3. How soon can it be gathered, oriented and presented.
4. What will the recommendations include.
   a. Boundary definitions
   b. Preserve only, or Park concept to be planned.
   c. Specific areas of Thunder Bay identified for priority.
5. Ancillary Services/Facilities
   a. Decompression capability
   b. Tourist Attractions/services
   c. Charter Boats/Glass bottom
6. Interface with Chamber of Commerce, NEMEDA, etc.

Note that timeliness is of importance because conclusions are soon to be reached by DNR personnel responsible for implementation of the newly enacted, Public Act No. 184. Additionally, be aware that the subject concepts will have assetuous impact on Alpena County and Northeast Michigan; not just specific interest groups.

We'll look forward to meeting with you, sharing ideas and implementation of our program to prepare and present recommendations to the State.

Regards,

Nathan Bader

Nathan Bader, AdHoc Committee for Study of
Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve
(517) 354-4674

4:30

9/16/80 Ad Hoc Committee Meeting
Thunderbay Underwater Preserve

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9/19/80 Friday 1:30 P.M.

Wile 4th para. advertising, prestige, ultimate developer
Baker 3rd. para - boundaries
Riley 1st para relationship to local regulation
Bader 2nd para. Plann comm & community endorsement

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9/16 13 attendees
9/23 10 attendees

ALPENA COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
ALPENA, MICHIGAN

A RESOLUTION

supporting

THE THUNDER BAY BOTTOMLANDS PRESERVE CONCEPT

WHEREAS, The Thunder Bay area of Lake Huron has been identified as having one of the heaviest concentration of Great Lakes shipwrecks along the Michigan shoreline; and,

WHEREAS, The Thunder Bay area bottomlands also has some interesting geological features such as limestone walls and underwater sinkholes; and,

WHEREAS, A research study conducted by the Department of Parks and Recreation Resources of Michigan State University in 1975 identified numerous shipwrecks in the Thunder Bay area and proposed an underwater park concept; and,

WHEREAS, A recently enacted State Statute (P.A. 184 of 1980) provides for the protection and preservation of abandoned property on Great Lakes bottomlands in the State of Michigan and authorizes the designation of certain bottomland areas which have a collection of abandoned properties that possess significant historical and/or recreational values as Great Lakes bottomland preserves; and,

WHEREAS, The Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission has had a long standing interest in the preservation of these non-renewable historical resources and has also recognized these values in the Thunder Bay area through the nomination of these shipwrecks as an "Area of Particular Concern" (APC) under the Michigan Coastal Management Program and has placed high priority upon this nomination; and,

WHEREAS, The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) has also recognized the historical and recreational values by placing high regional priority upon this APC nomination as well;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission does hereby support and encourage the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Underwater Salvage Committee to designate the Thunder Bay area as a Great Lakes bottomlands preserve under authority of P.A. 184 of 1980.

The above resolution was considered at a meeting of the Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission held on Sept. 11, 1980 . *Moved by* Stan James , *supported by* F. Joe LaMarre *to adopt and a vote of:*

Ayes 8
Nays 0

Attested by Martin A. Thomson
Martin A. Thomson Chairman
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman

ALPENA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ALPENA, MICHIGAN

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The above resolution was considered at a meeting of the Alpena County Board of Commissioners on September 24, 1980
Moved by Hier. Seconded by Titus
to adopt and a vote of:

AYES: Commissioners French, Hier, Huggler, MacNall, Phillips, Titus, and LaCross

NAYS: Commissioners Manning, Lozon, Marceau and Krueger

(OVER)

ABSENT: None

The foregoing resolution is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Alpena County Board of Commissioners while meeting in regular session on September 24, 1980.

Clara H. Noack

Clara H. Noack, Alpena County Clerk

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NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
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October 22, 1980

Mr. Nate Bader
129 Canterbury Lane
Alpena, Mich. 49707

Dear Mr. Bader:

The report from the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee in Alpena was received in this office and has been reviewed by the Underwater Salvage Committee.

Approval has been granted to conduct public hearings at both Alpena and Munising where the proposed administrative rules will be presented to the public. (see attachment).

We do appreciate your cooperation and participating in the development of this concept of Great Lakes Bottomland Preserves.

We hope to work closely with the Advisory Committee in the development of any additional rules for the preserves.

Sincerely,

Bruce J. Andrews

Bruce J. Andrews, Supervisor
Legal and Policy Section
Law Enforcement Division

BJA/rms
Atchmt.

cc: L. Steinbrecker

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July 1, 1981

Alpena County Planning Commission
Alpena County Court House
Alpena, MI 49707
ATTN: John Porter, Chairman

Gentlemen:

The attached administrative rules pertaining to Great Lakes Bottomland Preserves, established under provisions of Act 306, Public Acts of 1969, as amended, and under authority of Act 184, Public Acts of 1980, have been filed by the Office of the Secretary of State and are now in effect.

These rules will now be included in the Michigan Administrative Code.

Sincerely,

Bruce J. Andrews, Supervisor
Legal and Policy Section
Law Enforcement Division

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

GREAT LAKES BOTTOMLANDS PRESERVES

Filed with the Secretary of State on June 10, 1981 -4:00 p.m.

These rules take effect 15 days after filing with the Secretary of State (By authority conferred on the department of natural resources by section 4e of Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of 1980, being §299.54e of the Michigan Compiled Laws).

R 299.6001 Thunder Bay Great Lakes state bottomland preserve; establishment.
Rule 1. The following described area is established as the Thunder Bay Great Lakes state bottomland preserve: That area of Lake Huron bottomlands, extending upward and including the surface of the water, within the latitudes 44°52'50" (South Point) and 45°11'24" (Middle Island) and lying between the ordinary high shoreline and the 150-foot depth contour based on the ordinary high-water level, Alpena county, Michigan, which area contains 288 square miles, more or less.

R 299.6002 Alger Great Lakes state bottomland preserve; establishment.
Rule 2. The following described area is established as the Alger Great Lakes state bottomland preserve: That area of Lake Superior bottomlands, extending upward and including the surface of the water, within the longitudes 86°08'30" (AuSable Point) and 86°47'30" (AuTrain Point) and lying between the ordinary high shoreline and the 150-foot depth contour as intersected by said longitudes and based on the ordinary high-water level, including depressions in excess of 150 feet within the aforementioned area, Alger county, Michigan, which area contains 113 square miles, more or less.

This document good for with State Lands

November 25, 1980

THE SENATE

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August 29, 1980

Underwater Salvage Committee
c/o Bruce Andrews, Chairman
Law Enforcement Division
Department of Natrual Resources
Mason Building
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Mr. Andrews and Committee Members:

On August 27 in Alpena, the Department of Natural Resources held a public meeting to discuss the possibility of designating Thunder Bay a Great Lakes bottomland preserve.

To my knowledge, your Committee will now begin deliberating on selecting those choice areas you feel should receive this honor.

I would like to strongly urge you and the Department to support declaring Thunder Bay an underwater preserve. Not only will this action further promote tourism in the area, but it will also establish those sufficient safeguards which will protect the many artifacts and the environment for future generations to come.

The local community has shown they are behind this effort and the necessary studies are complete with positive results. Now is an excellent time to go full steam ahead. Therefore, I most heartily encourage you to declare Thunder Bay a Great Lakes bottomland preserve.

Sincerely,

Mitch Irwin

Mitch Irwin
State Senator

MI:pdn

under authority of P.A. 184 of 1980. Several resolutions of support for the underwater preserve were secured from local governments and copies are presented in this report to document NEMCOG's involvement in this effort.

El Cajon Bay

NEMCOG staff completed its efforts to convince the Michigan Land Trust Fund Board to publicly acquire the 360 acre parcel known as the El Cajon Bay property along Lake Huron in Alpena County which would have greatly enhanced public access to the underwater sinkholes in the bay. This effort was officially over when NEMCOG received a letter from the staff of the Michigan Land Trust Fund notifying them of the Board's decision to eliminate the El Cajon Bay property from further funding consideration. This action was taken even thought the application submitted received the seventh highest total accumulation score of the 49 parcels under consideration. NEMCOG did pursue possible acquisition of the property with the Nature Conservancy but a selling price could not be agreed upon with the current property owner. Copies of several letters of correspondence regarding this project are included in this report to illustrate NEMCOG's final efforts in this project.

Warnike Marina

NEMCOG staff was contacted by Alpena Township officials and requested to assist them in searching out grants for public acquisition of an existing privately-owned marina along Lake Huron. NEMCOG staff responded to this request with information on several possible funding sources and proposed a feasibility study to investigate various alternatives for the redevelopment, both publicly and privately, of the marina. After providing the requested information, the Alpena Township Board of Trustees decided to take no action regarding their involvement in this marina project.

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September 26, 1980

Mr. Lew Steinbrecher, Coastal Planner
Northeast Michigan Council of Governments
P.O. Box 457
408 West Main Street
Gaylord, Michigan 49735

RE: MLTF #347A - El Cajon Bay Property and Sinkholes

Dear Mr. Steinbrecher:

I am sorry to inform you that the Michigan Land Trust Fund Board has eliminated the proposal referred to above from further consideration this year.

This year the Board received 91 proposals recommending acquisition of 86 different properties. The recommended parcels included over 20,300 acres valued at more than $26.5 million. This list was pared down during earlier reviews, and your proposal was one of 49 proposals given further consideration at the Board meeting on September 9, 1980.

The fact that your proposal remained under consideration until the September meeting indicates that the Board was interested in your proposal. Unfortunately, however, many fine opportunities must be foregone each year due to limited funding availability. In light of other opportunities presented to the Board, the Board did not feel that your proposal could be granted a high enough priority to be funded this year.

Land acquisition proposals cannot be carried forward from year to year, and it is impractical for us to retain files for longer than 90 days. Therefore, if you prefer that any information you submitted be returned, please inform us of that fact within 90 days of this date.

On behalf of the Board, thank you for your interest and efforts in submitting a land acquisition proposal. The Board is sincerely sorry that funds are not available to acquire every worthwhile project submitted for consideration.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Hagan

Edward J. Hagan
Staff Assistant
Michigan Land Trust Fund

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30 September 1980

Mr. Edward Hagen
Dept. of Natural Resources
Stevens T. Mason Bldg.
P.O. Box 30028
Lansing, Michigan 48909

Dear Mr. Hagen:

Thank you for your letter of 26 September wherein you informed me that the El Cajon Bay proposal had been eliminated from further consideration by the Michigan Land Trust Fund Board. I am disappointed that the property was eliminated by the Board and also that it has taken so long to inform me of this action which occurred on 9 September 1980.

I would like to request that the file on the proposal be returned to me at your earliest convenience, including the numerous support letters so that I may contact the other interested parties to inform them of the Board's decision. I would also very much appreciate a copy of the ranking list, showing the accumulated point values of each of the 49 projects considered at that 9 September meeting.

Thank you for your assistance in these matters.

Sincerely,

Lew Steinbrecher

Lew Steinbrecher
Coastal Planner

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October 8, 1980

Mr. Lew Steinbrecher
Coastal Planner
Northeast Michigan Council of Governments
P.O. Box 457
Gaylord, Michigan 49735

Dear Mr. Steinbrecher:

As requested in your letter of September 30, 1980, I am enclosing your proposal for the El Cajon Bay property, including support letters, and a copy of the staff recommendations for scoring according to the quantified criteria. I have placed a check next to those proposals remaining under consideration. I am sure you will have questions after your review of the list, so feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Also, I feel I would be remiss if I did not respond to your disappointment regarding the time lag in sending out letters of notification. We would prefer to send out such letters immediately after the meeting. However, other demands on staff time, especially during the staff shortages of the past several months, usually cause a two to three week delay in sending letters. Further, our time for the past few weeks has been monopolized by our work in responding to two proposals for use of the Land Trust Fund. The first, from Senator Mack, calls for a moratorium on recreational land acquisition until 1991. Revenues would be used in the meantime to acquire, construct and maintain sanitary landfills. The second proposal, from Governor Milliken, is to remove the entire principal from the Trust Fund to apply against the current budget deficit. In effect, we would then start over from zero next fiscal year, and the Trust Fund program would be cut at least in half. Obviously, the analysis and response to these proposals has taken up a great deal of time, but the long-term viability of the program must take precedence over sending out notification letters.

I am sorry for any inconvenience caused over the delay.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Hagan

Edward J. Hagan
Staff Assistant
Michigan Land Trust Fund

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The Nature Conservancy

Michigan Field Office / 531 North Clippert / Lansing, Michigan 48912 / (517) 332-1741

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November 14, 1980

Mr. Gerry E. Tracey
Nickel Real Estate
150 E. Chisholm Street
P. O. Box 245
Alpena, Michigan 49707

Dear Gerry:

I have had the opportunity to talk with several appraisers and real estate agents about the El Cajon property. Based on their input and the availability of financial support from outside sources, the Conservancy would be interested in acquiring the 164(±) acre north parcel that we discussed for $550 per acre, or a total of $90,200.

A project of this type requires the approval of our National Board of Governors, who meet again in March (they meet quarterly). Also, spring and summer are usually the most productive times for showing prospective donors the property and securing our funding sources. Thus, if you are in agreement with the price, I would ask that you give The Nature Conservancy a long-term option to enable us to make the appropriate contacts. Should that be acceptable to you, I will be happy to return to Alpena to discuss the exact terms and conditions of the option and of the contract.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

T.M. Woiwode

Tom Woiwode
State Director

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cc: Lew Steinbrecher
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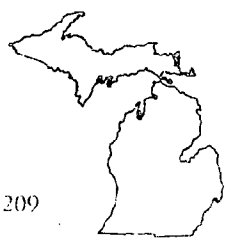

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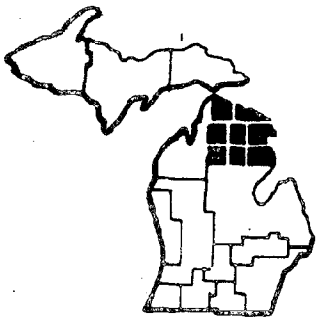

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Dr. Howard Tanner, Director
Michigan Department of Natural Resources
Stevens T. Mason Building
P.O. Box 30028
Lansing, Michigan 48909

Dear Dr. Tanner:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you, Mr. Harry Whitely, and the other DNR personnel for taking time to come to Gaylord and meet with me and other staff members of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) on 19 February 1981. I am very appreciative of the effort on your part to attend the session.

Unfortunately, because of the time limitation, I was unable to bring to your attention an issue which arose last year where I was directly involved with a branch of your department. During 1980, I submitted a land acquisition proposal to the Michigan Land Trust Fund Program which remained under consideration until the 9 September 1980 meeting of the Land Trust Board. I eventually received a summary of the 49 proposals and their respective priority scores reviewed at that meeting. Twenty-two (22) were selected for final consideration by the Board. Although my proposal, El Cajon Bay, had accumulated a total of 92 points and ranked 7th out of the 49 proposals, it was not selected as one of the final 22. I received a letter from Mr. Ed Hagen about 2½ weeks after the meeting informing me of the Board's decision to eliminate the El Cajon Bay proposal, but there were no reasons sighted in his letter as to why it was eliminated. I am very concerned, as are many people from northern Michigan who have had involvement with this program, about the subjective and/or political manner by which proposals are selected and the value of the point rating system which is used in prioritizing projects. While I understand that you and the Natural Resources Commission may not be in a position to change the review procedure of this relatively independent Land Trust Board, I would appreciate the reasons why the El Cajon Bay proposal was eliminated when its priority appeared to be high.

Another concern which I was not aware of at the time of our meeting is in regards to the Cheboygan Dam Project, a joint venture between the DNR Waterways and Fisheries Divisions with involvement of the Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Council. I learned at a recent meeting in Cheboygan County that the priority of individual work tasks have been changed and plans now call for the construction of a parking lot prior to the construction of erosion control structures at the spillway. If this is true, I feel it would be inappropriate to complete such

improvements before correcting the problem at this site. I would certainly appreciate any information you could provide me regarding this project.

Thank you for your time and effort and I am very appreciative of your interest and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Lew Steinbrecher

Lew Steinbrecher
Coastal Program Coordinator

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April 7, 1981

Mr. Lew Steinbrecher
Northeast Michigan Council
of Governments
P. O. Box 457
114 N. Court Street
Gaylord, Michigan 49735

Dear Mr. Steinbrecher:

Thank you for your comments in reference to our February 19, 1981 session. It was a pleasure to meet with you and other representatives from the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments.

Your question regarding El Cajon Bay was referred to Deputy Director O. J. Scherschligt, who represents me on the Michigan Land Trust Fund (MLTF) Board, and Mr. Ed Hagan, Staff Assistant to the Board. They informed me that, as stated in Mr. Hagan's letter to you of September 26, 1980, the Board was interested in your proposal but did not feel that your proposal could be granted a high enough priority to be funded in light of the other opportunities presented to the Board.

Unfortunately, there is never enough money to fund every desirable project. I am sure you realize that no system we chose to use could possibly measure every consideration necessary in determining which few projects out of many excellent projects should be chosen. Therefore, as explained in the MLTF information booklet you received last year, it is acknowledged that scoring assists in identifying priority proposals, and the score of a proposal is not the sole factor used in making final decisions.

One factor that must be considered is the responsibility of this department and the MLTF Board to respond to recreational needs of all the citizens of Michigan. It is recognized that we have fallen behind in providing opportunities in southern Michigan, where about 90 percent of our citizens reside but where well under ten percent of all state-owned land is located. For this reason, the Board has emphasized acquiring land in southern Michigan. At the same time, the Board recognizes that many recreational needs remain in northern Michigan, so every effort must be made to balance the needs of all areas of the state.

In the final analysis, the Board must weigh the recreational significance of all proposals against each other. While some proposals easily stand out and others easily fall below, there is always a group of desirable proposals that are extremely difficult to choose between. El Cajon Bay was, again, considered desirable but not of high enough priority in light of other opportunities that the Board would have had to drop if your project received funding.

I am sorry that you are concerned "about the subjective and/or political manner by which proposals are selected." I personally feel that the Board has done a fine job of representing all areas of the state. It must be noted that even with a deep commitment to acquire lands in southern Michigan, over 40 percent of Trust Funds expended for the first three lists of approved acquisitions will be for northern Michigan lands. The Board's fourth list, currently under review in the Legislature, also includes several northern Michigan projects. Further, the fact that the El Cajon Bay project was dropped although it received a good deal of support shows that the Board does not feel it must base decisions on political concerns.

Finally, I hope that the above addresses your questions and concerns, but if you would like more information, I encourage you to contact Mr. Scherschligt or Mr. Hagan.

Sincerely,

Howard A. Tanner

Howard A. Tanner
Director

NEMCOG

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7 October 1980

Mr. D.H. Riley
Alpena Township
3000 U.S. - 23 North
Alpena, Michigan 49707

Dear Mr. Riley:

I am forwarding the following information to Alpena Township regarding possible state and Federal funding programs which may be used by the Township to acquire the Warinke Marina which I understand is currently for sale.

1. Land and Water Conservation Fund, administered by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service (see attached sheet). Application deadline is March of each year.

2. Michigan Recreation Land Trust Fund Program, administered by the Department of Natural Resources (see attached sheet). Application deadline is April of each year.

3. Upper Great Lakes Regional Commission (see attached sheet).

4. Department of Natural Resources, Waterways Division. This branch of the DNR is charged with the responsibility to acquire, develop and maintain public access sites and boat launching facilities on inland lakes and the Great Lakes for the State of Michigan. You may wish to contact: Keith Wilson, Waterways Division, Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 30028, Lansing, Michigan 48909 to interest his division in the property.

These are the four most common programs available to local units of government to acquire recreational lands. Other slim possibilities would be to approach the owner on the tax benefits of donating the land or contacting Mr. Bob Davis, U.S. Representative, to have a special appropriation added to the Federal budget. This is highly unlikely, however.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance and I hope this information is useful for your purposes.

Sincerely,

Lew Steinbrecher

Lew Steinbrecher
Economic Development Program Manager

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enclosure
cc: Papke Beatty Assoc.

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November 21, 1980

Lew Steinbrecher
Economic Develop. Program Coordinator
Northeast Michigan Council of Governments
P.O. Box 457
Gaylord, Michigan 49735

Dear Mr. Steinbrecher:

Enclosed is drawing indicating the property known as Warnike Marina, located adjacent to Partridge Point Road and U. S. 23 South and in Alpena Township.

The buildings of the marina were completely destroyed by fire this past winter. The marina is deep water, 100-slip solid concrete with all accesses bituminous paved and maintained on a first-class basis. The replacement value of this first-class marina is in excess of $750,000. With the excess cost of money, the owner does not wish to replace the building facilities and is willing to sacrifice the remaining undamaged section of the marina for $400,000.

Adjacent to the marina, on the north, is an additional 103 acres of prime real estate facing 2,400' on Lake Huron and with 700' frontage on U. S. 23 South. The price on this property is also well under market value and can be had on a negotiated basis and as the marina, can be purchased either under a short or long-term contract.

I would appreciate your thoughts on this matter after discussing the above with Mr. Riley and Mr. Krueger.

If there are any questions on the drawings enclosed, do not hesitate to inquire of the writer.

Very truly yours,

Wallace H. Papke

WHP/cb
Enclosure
CC: D.H. Riley
K. Krueger

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23 February 1981

Mr. Wallace Papke
Papke-Beatty & Associates, Inc.
835 W. Chisholm
Alpena, Michigan 49707

Dear Mr. Papke:

I wanted to take this opportunity to bring you up to date with some of recent efforts regarding the Warnike Marina property. After some thought, I made a presentation to the Alpena Township Board of Trustees at their regular meeting on 2 February 1980 with the idea of submitting a grant proposal for funding consideration to the Michigan Coastal Management Program (DNR) to finance a marketing feasibility study of the marina. Such a study could have addressed the likelihood of a profitable operation, either public or private, considering the purchase price, interest rates, expected usage, needed improvement and maintenance, the effects of Thunder Bay area bottomlands being designated as an underwater preserve and other variables. The Township Board, however, did not see the advantages that such a study would have had to them. As a result of this and two other inquires, I was not able to locate a willing local government to sponsor the proposal.

Additionally, I discussed the idea with John Schwartz, the District Marine Agent with the Michigan Sea Grant Program and he suggested that the timing of the proposal may not be good in light of current public opinion on the expenditures of Federal dollars for programs of this nature.

In any event, I do want to assure you of my continued interest in the Warnike Marine because it is located along Lake Huron and has potential of enhancing the local Alpena economy by increasing the tourist trade.

Please keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Lew

Lew Steinbrecher
Economic Development Program Coordinator

LS/ncd
CC: Keith Kruger, Alpena Township Supervisor

Beaugrand Township

After one and a half years of developing a revised zoning ordinance, the Beaugrand Township Zoning Commission contacted NEMCOG to request their assistance in reviewing and commenting on the draft regulations. The Township also asked for NEMCOG's assistance to advise them on accepting an offer from a private property owner to donate a three acre parcel of land located on the shores of Lake Huron. It was suggested that Beaugrand Township accept the donation of land and apply to the Michigan Coastal Management Program for funds to develop a master site design plan for public access and recreation purposes.

Assisted Local CMP Projects

NEMCOG staff also assisted those local governmental agencies with projects funded by the Michigan Coastal Management Program. This assistance included such activities as assisting the Cities of Cheboygan and Rogers City in developing the contents of interpretive signs as called for in the contract, preparing invitations to bid for the Alpena County Parks and Recreation and the Harrisville Harbor Commission for landscaping, tree and shrub plantings and other material or services necessary to complete the low-cost construction projects. Also worked with the Alcona County Planning Commission on the development and review of the Great Lakes Sports Fishing Economic Impact Study.

High Risk Erosion Areas

Upon the request from the staff of the Shorelands Section of the DNR's Land Resources Programs Division, NEMCOG searched through the tax rolls and other legal records in the Alpena County Tax Equalization Director's office for property owner information such as name, address and legal land descriptions for properties along Lake Huron. This information was needed to notify property owners of pending designation of their property as High Risk Erosion Areas under authority of the Shorelands Protection and Management Act (P.A. 245 of 1970).

Sturgeon Point Lighthouse

NEMCOG provided some assistance and pertinent information to the Alcona County Historical Society regarding possible renovation and restoration of the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse for use as a county historical museum with emphasis on maritime history.

Presque Isle Lighthouse Township Park

As previously stated in this report, NEMCOG assisted Presque Isle Township in formulating a proposal to improve public access at the Presque Isle Lighthouse Township Park. A formal grant proposal to the Michigan Coastal Management Program was never fully prepared or submitted by the Township. However, a graduate student from the University of Michigan prepared a case study of the Presque Isle Lighthouse Park as his thesis for a Masters of Landscape Architecture Degree. NEMCOG staff provided considerable information and guidance in this study which presented several alternatives for public access and recreational improvements on the park to enhance its attractiveness as a recreation area. A copy of that report is on file in the offices of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments.

Staff Contacts

A review of the list of staff contacts later in this report will illustrate the numerous contiguities NEMCOG has with people regarding coastal matters.

NEWS MEDIA COVERAGE

KNOWN TV/RADIO COVERAGE

1980

9/4 WHSB Radio - Alpena - Morning newscasts covered story on Alpena County Planning Commission adopting resolution to endorse the underwater preserve concept for the Thunder Bay bottomlands and their initiative to form an ad hoc committee to encourage the DNR to designate the area as an underwater preserve.

9/7 WHSB Radio - Alpena - Lew Steinbrecher and John Schwartz were interviewed by the News Director in a one-half hour talk show called "Encounter" regarding the possibility of designating Thunder Bay bottomlands as an underwater preserve under authority of P.A. 184 of 1980.

10/1 WHSB, Radio - Alpena - Daily newscasts ran story on the elimination of the El Cajon Bay Property from further funding consideration by the Michigan Land Trust Fund Board. News included an interview with Lew Steinbrecher, NEMCOG Coastal Planner

11/19 WBKB-TV - Alpena - Daily newscasts cover the Coastal grant award to the State of Michigan and a summary of the local grant awards in Northeast Michigan.

11/19 WBKB-TV - Alpena - Evening News covered public hearing at Jesse Besser Museum regarding designation of Thunder Bay bottomlands as an underwater preserve.

11/20 WWRM Radio - Gaylord - Daily newscasts carried story on the Federal grant to Michigan for Coastal Management Program and a breakdown of the local grants awarded for coastal projects. Included interview with NEMCOG Coastal Planner.

11/20 WHSB Radio and WATZ - Radio, Alpena - Both stations carried stories on the results of the public hearing in Alpena regarding state designation of the Thunder Bay area bottomlands as an underwater preserve.

12/9 WHSB Radio and WBKB-TV, Alpena - Radio and TV coverage of the toxic chemical and possible contamination issue at the Presque Isle Lighthouse Park and action taken by the Township Board to close park property from the public pending results of soil testing.

1981

2/3 WHSB Radio and WATZ Radio, Alpena - Both stations carried news reports on Alpena Township Board action <u>not</u> to apply for Coastal Management Program funds to finance a coastal environment zoning study or the Warnike Marina rennovation feasibility study.

2/5 WHSB Radio, Alpena - Daily news reports convered action taken by the Alpena County Planning Commission to apply for Coastal Management Program funds to develop a future land use plan of the County's coastline and Lake Huron resources.

2/20 WHSB Radio, Alpena - Morning news reports covered meeting of the Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission and their action to notify DNR of this intent to accept the $21,000 Coastal grant for low-cost construction improvements at LaMarre Park. Report also mentioned NEMCOG's Coastal Planner's presentation and recommendations to the Commission regarding the grant.

3/19 WATZ-Radio, Alpena - Evening news (5 p.m.) reported that the $21,000 grant from the Michigan Coastal Management Program had been formally awarded for low-cost construction activities at the Joe LaMarre Park and that the contract was secured with help from NEMCOG. Report included interview with Lew Steinbrecher, NEMCOG Coastal Planner.

3/20 WHSB Radio, Alpena - Morning newscasts reported on Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission meeting the night before where the contract was signed with the Michigan Coastal Management Program for low-cost construction to begin at LaMarre Park. The report included an interview with Martin Thomas, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

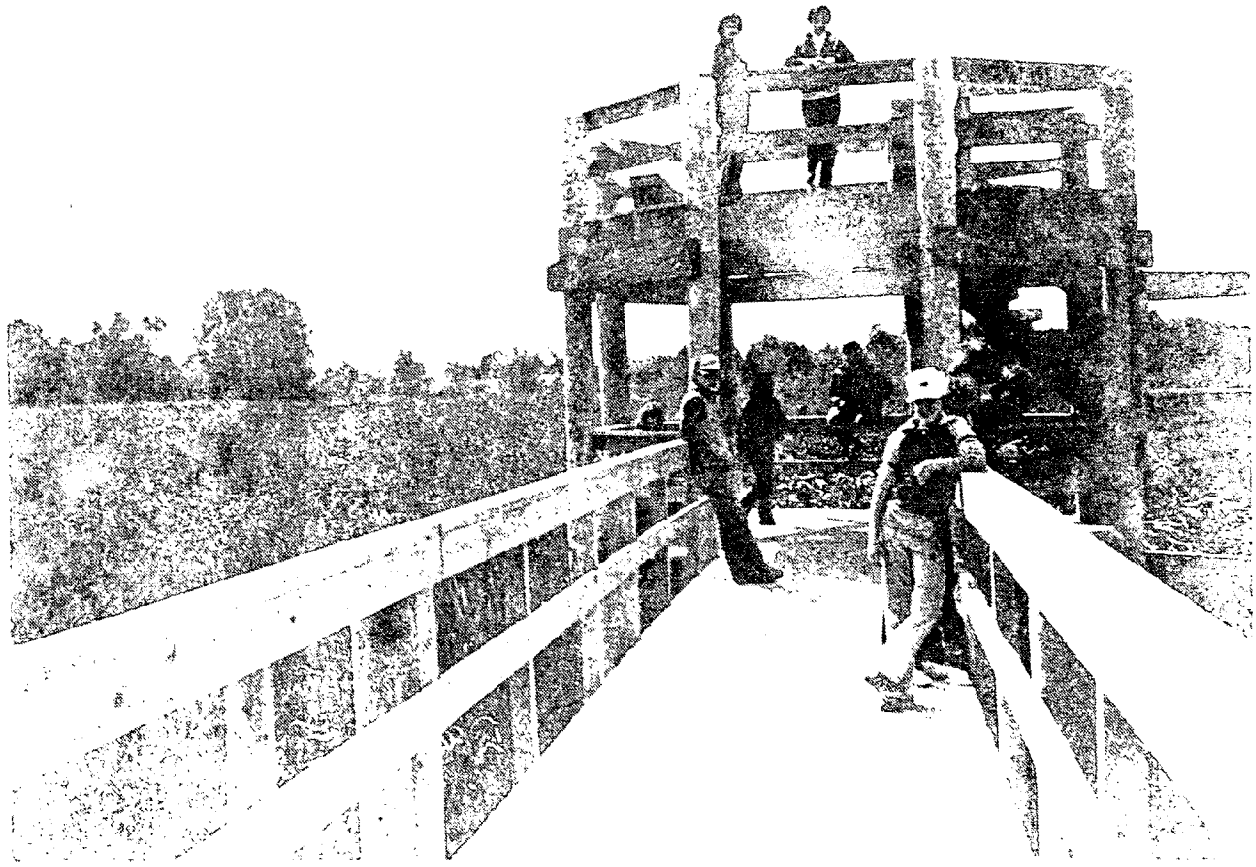
10/5 WHSB-Radio, WATZ-Radio, WKBK-TV, Alpena - All three news media carried story on the dedication of the Francis Joe LaMarre County Park and appreciation luncheon to honor those participants in the improvement project, including the Michigan Coastal Management Program.

THE ALPENA NEWS
October 6, 1981

BIG DAY FOR JOE LaMARRE — Francis J. "Joe" LaMarre (second from right), long-time promoter of the Alpena County parks system, is congratulated by County Board of Commissioners Chairman Dale Huggler at a dedication of LaMarre Park Monday. Watching are LaMarre's wife, Lucille, and Richard [illegible], who supervised park construction work. LaMarre [illegible] president at Peoples Bank & Trust [illegible] Alpena Parks Commission [illegible]

banks of the Thunder Bay River at the end of Eig[illegible] Ave. It features a 360-foot fishing boardwa[illegible] stairways, parking lot and split-ra[illegible] fence [illegible] to landscaping and the planting of new [illegible] shrubs. Grants from the Alpena Based [illegible] Michigan Community Foundation [illegible] project possible. The Parks Comm[illegible] [illegible] grant of $2[illegible] [illegible] and a [illegible] [illegible] New [illegible]

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
September 30, 1981



BOARDWALK COMPLETED – Completed and now open, [illegible] Observers look down on a marsh of weeds 12 to 14 feet [illegible] largest cattail marsh in any city [illegible] Great Lakes area, several hundred miles of [illegible] and with help of a state and federal [illegible] great interest to tourists, [illegible] action.

Tribune photo by Gordon Bartlett

THE ALPENA NEWS
September 29, 1981

PROMOTING THUNDER BAY COUNTRY — A Kay Kaiser Productions crew is in Alpena this week to film area attractions and resources to promote the Thunder Bay Country. Here the film crew shoots scenes of the small boat harbor and Ed Retherford (right), who runs a local charter service. The $10,000 film project is sponsored by the Alpena Area Tourist Association and Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with East Michigan Tourist Association. The film will be exibited at shows and conventions throughout the midwest and shown on television. (News Photo)

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
September 24, 1981

Dollars for docks are sought

By MARK PRUCHNICKI
Tribune Staff Writer

CHEBOYGAN - City Manager Steve Wright said he will begin searching for funds to re-build the docking facilities on Water Street and build a new 10-slip dock at Washington Park.

Wright told the council Tuesday that the city may be able to obtain a grant through the Department of Housing and Urban development in which it would fund 80 percent of the estimated $550,-000 project.

A study done by Cleary Engineers calls for complete revamping of the present site on Water Street including rebuilding of the present comfort station to include two showers for boaters.

Gerald Cleary, of Cleary Engineers, said a 170 foot bulkhead with new sheet pile and a new cap would replace the present deteriorating docking. New walkways would also be installed along the bulkhead and new power and water lines would be put in place for boat hook-up.

The plan also calls for the removal of part of the ashphalt parking lot and repaving of the lot in areas where old pilings are pushing up through the ground.

Under the plan, the site would be able to handle two 60 foot boats, one 45 footer, and ten 30 footers.

The new docking at Washington Park would require a 60 by 200 foot cut be made into the park land and the removal of the fish tank.

Dredging would have to be done at the park so that 10 individual slips could be installed each of which would be large enough to handle a 45 foot craft.

Power and water would be installed and a walkway would be built on each side and one in front of the docking.

Mayor Ellis Olson said although the city would like to build the new docking, the immediate concern was to make present docking safe.

Cleary told the council that wiring at the present dock is shorting out and that cement caps at the pilings are deteriorating to the point where they could fall onto a boat.

This spring, the city condemned part of the docking for fear that one of the concrete caps would fall.

Council instructed Wright to begin removal of the dangerous caps until funding can be found to begin the project.

In other action council:

- Approved a resolution supporting local control of the Lamplighters Workshop on State Street. Lamplighters has been informed that they will be taken over by the Regional Mental Health Board, which will then govern all activities at the workshop.

- Agreed to look into funding a sewer down Todd Street for six residents.

- Approved the purchase of 2,000 feet of fire hose at $4,430, trench compactor at $846.

- Changed parking lot rates for overnight parking from a straight $1 per day to $1 per day, $5 per week and $20 per month for non residents. Residents pay $2 per week and $8 per month.

Non-resident permits will be available at Plaunt's Boat Dock and Glenn's Bait Shop. Residents can obtain their permits in City Hall.

- Set the costs of a precious metal license at $35.

- Considered individual contracts with the city for persons wishing to replace sidewalks on Main Street.

[illegible] COUNTY [illegible]
[illegible] 1981

Fishermen happy with results

by Don MacMester

A facelift of sorts is currently nearing completion at the Harrisville harbor. The huge mound of silt dredged from the harbor in July has finally been removed. An 18-inch stone wall now stands at the base of the hill overlooking the harbor. The old staircase extending from the parking lot to the beach has been ripped out and replaced by a new wooden stairway. And the creek which runs [illegible] the harbor has been bedded with stones so that it can't divert itself and allow salmon to migrate upstream.

The Harrisville Harbor Commission has worked for some time to bring about this construction. Earlier this summer, in July, the Commission advertised for bids on the construction, but according to Commission-member Richard Sella, the bids "were all ridiculously high." The Commission turned down all the bids. Shortly afterward, the Commission again asked for bids on the construction. At their August 6 meeting, the Harbor Commission accepted Sharboneau & Son's offer of $4705.50 for work on the stone wall, the streambed, and the new stairway.

At that same meeting, the Commission also accepted a $4985.00 bid from Lake Tree Nursery to plant trees, shrubs, and crown vetch, and to perform the landscaping work needed to complete the job. According to harbormaster John Pridnia, the trees and shrubbery will be planted on the crest of the hill overlooking the harbor. At this point, Lake Tree Nursery has not yet begun the work.

According to Mayor Ed Gall, the City disposed with the silt dredged from the harbor. The city used what silt it needed and gave the rest to Morris Roberts of Harrisville. The City used the silt to level out the Harbor shoreline. These improvements have come at [illegible] opportune time just before the annual influx of shoreline fishermen.

[illegible] HEADERS were successful fishermen at Harrisville last weekend. Jerry Bennett, Bay City; [illegible] and Paul Scaggs, Auburn, caught these salmon at Harrisville's Harbor. Pope, in the [illegible] day [illegible] a wh[illegible] 68[illegible] tot[illegible]h. [illegible] phot[illegible]

THE ALPENA NEWS
September 22, 1981

Council to push phase 2 of harbor plan

By BOB WESTROPE

On the recommendation of the Harbor Advisory Committee, the Municipal Council Monday night agreed to petition the Michigan Waterways Commission for assistance and support in completing phase 2 of the harbor development plan that would enlarge the small boat harbor to almost four times its present size.

The heart of the phase 2 plan is extension of the breakwater to the mouth of Thunder Bay River; shifting the harbor entrance to the river mouth and closing the existing entrance; and construction of additional finger piers to provide mooring berths for more boats.

George LaFleche, harbor committee chairman, told the council the waterways commission has indicated Alpena boat harbor expansion is one of its priority projects.

"There is a critical need for more mooring berths for boats," LaFleche told the council. "The 39 docks in the present harbor are filled and there are 43 boaters on the waiting list. The waterways commission sees this as a priority case around the state and they seem anxious to proceed."

Following public hearings on two petitions requesting that zoning be changed from B-1 to B-3 on Chisholm Street between 11th and 13th avenues to pave the way for establishment of a Tidy Car business at the corner of Chisholm and 13th (former Marathon service station opposite Lud's restaurant), council denied both petitions. The auto center would have included a rustproofing operation.

The bid for a zoning change was rejected after the council received two petitons bearing the signatures of some 140 residents of the area and heard neighborhood spokesmen tell why they objected to the proposed change.

Basis of the objections voiced by Steven Butch of 1110 Lockwood and Ronald Paquette of 1035 Lockwood were: noise, odor, traffic and possible establishment of other businesses that would aggravate those problems.

R.J. Bordeau, proprietor of the Tidy Car operation, which is presently located on State Avenue, said his undercoating operation involved a new process, "which is clean, no gooey black stuff, has no odor, is non-toxic and is practically non-inflammable." He said the operation would be conducted in a totally enclosed building and would not involve a great deal of traffic.

Butch and Paquette said that, while they didn't particularly object to Bordeau's business, they feared that the zoning change would open up the area to other businesses that would change the character of the neighborhood, generate additional traffic and pose a danger to neighborhood children. They said 98 percent of the area residents they contacted were against the change.

Councilman Peter Skiba who has sat in on many planning commission deliberations interjected to say that Charles Leman of the planning consultant firm of Vilian Leman Associates did not favor a zoning change in the neighborhood. "Leman said he considers it a prime B-1 area," Skiba said.

But while it turned down the Tidy Car request for a zoning change on Chisholm, the council did approve a related petition that will allow the company to do undercoating at its present location in a B-3 district on State — an ordinance amendment permitting rustproofing operations in B-3 zones, with specific restrictions. The action came after a public hearing on the matter. There were no objections.

Council set Oct. 19 as date for board of review sessions on special assessments for street and sidewalk improvements.

A decision on whether to participate in a state department of commerce-sponsored Community Energy Management project was tabled until the next council meeting Oct. 5.

City Manager James Burch advised the council that, while the state would provide $10,000 toward cost of the project, additional staff would be required (probably a half-time person) and it had not been determined how much it would cost the city.

The energy management program involves photographing each individual home and business in the project area with infra-red cameras to indicate where heat loss is occurring, and recommending ways to modify the structures to cut down on heat loss, Burch told the council.

City Attorney Keith Wallace read two proposed ordinances — updating the city's fire code, and adding $15 per month cost of living (COLA) allowances to city retirees' benefits, which council approved at the meeting.

Council also:

...Tabled for future discussion a Recreation Advisory Board recommendation that a recreation director be appointed (paying only mileage) to coordinate recreation programs, set ice rink rules, regulations, schedules, fees, etc.

...Approved a request received by letter from Fred Johnston of the Besser Foundation to allow installation of a sound system in the Alpena Shopping Center which would provide low-level background music during store hours.

...Authorized councilman James Rau to attend an upcoming meeting of the Joint Rules Committee in Lansing on Draft 8 of PA 641 covering solid waste disposal.

...Appropriated $2,000 toward the $10,000 cost of producing a film on area resources and attractions sponsored by the Alpena Area Tourist Association. The film will be widely distributed throughout the midwest, Richard Martens, project chairman, told the council.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
September 21, 1981

Marshland walkway

It was a good autumn day, the air cool but not cold, and the best part about it was that it was full of time. It's been a precious commodity lately, so I think I startled Gordon Turner when he reminded me that I had promised a trip around the city, and I agreed.

It was an old promise. I had said some months ago that I'd like to tour with Gordon and get an experienced guide to a new eye. He drove.

I asked that we go to Turner Park. I guess I wanted to see the boardwalk I'd only seen as pictures in the Tribune. The boardwalk includes a project sort of dear to my heart, in that it overlooks an old swamp. I sometimes think I was a muskrat in my last life. It also involved Turner Park, a place I think must be special for Cheboygan.

The boardwalk is a massive thing, winding crookedly above the cattails along the beach. The swamp would be inaccessable but for the boardwalk. It holds you above the swamp, and as Gordon showed me, it offers a good view of the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, a somewhat incongrous backdrop to the cattailed swamp.

Cheboygan is wise to have a place like that swamp. It's one of the largest on the lakes within a city, and it should be there, thanks to that boardwalk, for years to come. It was that sort of foresight which saved the beachfront of Chicago at the turn of the century, and which now distinguishes that huge city from any other its size.

We passed from there across the river and through peaceful neighborhoods to Duncan Bay, and the site of former Duncan City. The space, the rampant tree and brush growth along the shore are a surprise. It takes concentration to conjure pictures of a village 500 strong, and a booming mill with huge piers and schooners waiting for cargo.

And questions. Why is it so empty? Who owns it? Aren't taxes on land of that value so huge the owner would have to do something with it? Is there that much empty shoreline in a city anywhere else in the state?

Gordon calmly explained what had been, pointing out the lilac bushes I'd read about in a feature he wrote earlier this year on the area.

The lilacs are an ironic vestige of civilization, maintaining straight rows as they did when they lined the boulevards of the old town, and stood out from the homes which were once part of that town. Now their neighbors are wildly growing pines and cedars and junipers.

Something will happen to Duncan Bay some day. It seems full of promise and aimed at the future. It will change as surely as Turner Park will not change. They stand on opposite sides of the river in opposite directions.

PAT EGAN

ALCONA COUNTY HERALD
September 16, 1981

Sport Fishing Snags County $2 Million

By Janet Watson

Final results of the Alcona County Sport Fishery Economic Impacts study were publicly released Wednesday, September 9 as part of the regular meeting of the Alcona County Planning Commission detailing an economic impact of over $2 million to Alcona County for the last year.

The study was conducted by the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife of Michigan State University for the Planning Commission and financed from grants from the Land Resource Programs Division, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and the Michigan Sea Grant Project with $2,500 in local match. Interviews were conducted with anglers, residents, business owners, the DNR, the Harrisville Harbor Commission, and the City of Harrisville.

Last March preliminary results from the fall salmon fishing study were disseminated. The information last week summarized the fishing activities for the year along the county's Huron shoreline. Two hundred seventeen anglers were interviewed in the fall, and an additional 451 were interviewed for April 11 to August 2, 1981. Based on an average of daily expenditures, it was determined that over a two and a half month period, from September 15 to November 1, 1981, $1,109,862 was spent by anglers in the county. The spring/summer fishermen spent far less, accounting for the $224,000 difference from the total annual expenditures of $1,333,176.10.

Survey results from businesses corroborated this amount with an estimate of $1,425,952 reported in gross sales to anglers.

The chief researcher, Scott Jordan, in presenting the study's results commented that by multiplying a factor of 1.5 to the total gross expenditures, a figure of over $2 million could be derived that would represent the impact of having the money recirculated in the county, thereby increasing the economic impact of sport fishing within the county.

Making comparisons between the fall fishing and the spring/summer activities, Jordan explained that fall anglers are primarily males (95%) as opposed to the spring/summer fishing which is more family oriented.

This, accompanied by the fact that 25.5% of the spring/summer anglers were Alcona County residents, while local residents accounted for only 4.1% of the salmon fishermen, were the main reasons less money was spent per day in the county. Average expenditures for fall anglers was $25.10. The lake trout fishermen in spring and summer only averaged $14.20. Anglers using charter boats spent an average $83.04 per day in the county; however, this only accounted for $66,452 of the total gross expenditures.

For the fall, 24% of the anglers were from out of state, primarily from Ohio, for the spring/summer period 99% of the anglers were from Michigan. Year round, the majority of the in-state fishermen came from counties on a corridor paralleling I-75 from Bay to Wayne.

Problems of parking, accomodations and the enforcement of snagging by the DNR were cited by anglers and residents. About 20% of the fall fishermen admitted to camping on either the North Harbor Lot, a city street of the D. & M. station lot. This is a violation of city ordinances.

The study made some recommendations on the community's involvement with the education of fishermen to keep them in the area longer, return more of them and to keep them from becoming upset or irate over the DNR's snagging enforcement policies. The posting of informative signs and representatives of the community making personal contact with the anglers were suggested.

In order to realize the full economic impact of the potential for this type of tourism, the report further made recommendations on advertising that would appeal to the different types of clientele that comes to the county over the year, including "more activities along the lines of the Summerfest for the families of fishermen."

Another grant has been awarded to the county to do a follow-up study on the information received from this one. A $17,000 grant from Coastal Zone Management will be implemented by the Alcona County Economic Development Corporation, providing it can come up with the necessary local match of $3,000. As explained by County Coordinator Donald Williams, the second study would be geared toward, "capitalizing on the information presented by Scott Jordan -- to translate this data into meaningful results."

THE ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
September 15, 1981

Fishing proves big area money-maker

by Dan MacMaster

About 80 persons gathered in the Alcona County building courtroom Wednesday evening to hear firsthand the results of a year-long study conducted by Scott W. Jordan with assistance from Daniel R. Talhelm--both members of MSU's Department of Fisheries and Wildlife--assessing the economic impact of sport fishing in Alcona County. The small gathering waited expectantly while Jordan, in painstaking detail, explained complicated aspects of the study. But the [illegible] interested mainly in the [illegible] much did sport fishermen [illegible] into the Alcona County kitty from September 1980 to August 1981? According to the study, anglers spent $1,[illegible] during this period.

The study--which was funded through grants by the Land Resource Programs Division of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and the Michigan Sea Grant Project--was composed of interviews with anglers and charter boat captains, and questionnaires sent out to local residents, businesses, and government officials. From these inquiries, Jordan was able to accomplish three major goals: (1) estimate the number of angler days spent fishing on Lake Huron in Alcona County (an angler day was defined as one angler fishing any part of one day); (2) determine total angler expenditures in Alcona for one year; and (3) to give all interested parties a forum to express their opinions about sport fishing's impact on the community and the individual.

When Jordan broke down total angler expenditures into its aggregate components, some interesting facts emerged. For instance, there were 44,215 angler days spent in Alcona County last fall, compared to only 11,048 days during the spring-summer period. Fishermen spent an average of $25.10 per day in Alcona County during the fall period. Total gross expenditures during the fall came to $1,[illegible] compared to only $[illegible] spent during the spring-summer season. Clearly, as the study shows, fall is the prime period for sport fishing in the county.

Almost 70 percent of the annual angler expenditures in the county fell into the categories of [illegible], groceries, lodging, gas, and [illegible] such as bees and [illegible]. [illegible] might be called [illegible], licenses, and major equipment--were purchased outside of the county.

Another interesting detail that arose from the 54-page study was that about 60 percent of anglers journeying to Alcona County came from what Jordan called "a corridor of counties" extending southward from Bay, through Saginaw, Genesee, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, and Wayne--all counties in the southeastern corner of the lower peninsula. Alcona County provided only about 4 percent of the total number of sports fishermen.

Jordan also included angler responses to the accomodations the local communities extend--or do not extend--to the fishermen. Eighty percent of all anglers felt the local communities proved adequate services and facilities. The major complaint issued by the fishermen was that Harrisville needs more parking. Ten percent of the fishermen felt that the DNR enforces snagging excessively, while almost eight percent felt the DNR should be even tougher with snaggers. And on and on the responses went, sometimes contradictory, but straightforward nonetheless.

Unlike an earlier Sport Fishery Impact meeting held in April, this gathering was surprisingly subdued. The anti-fishermen sentiment, which at times expresses itself quite vocally, was nowhere to be seen Wednesday evening. Perhaps the statistical evidence amassed by Jordan silenced the critics.

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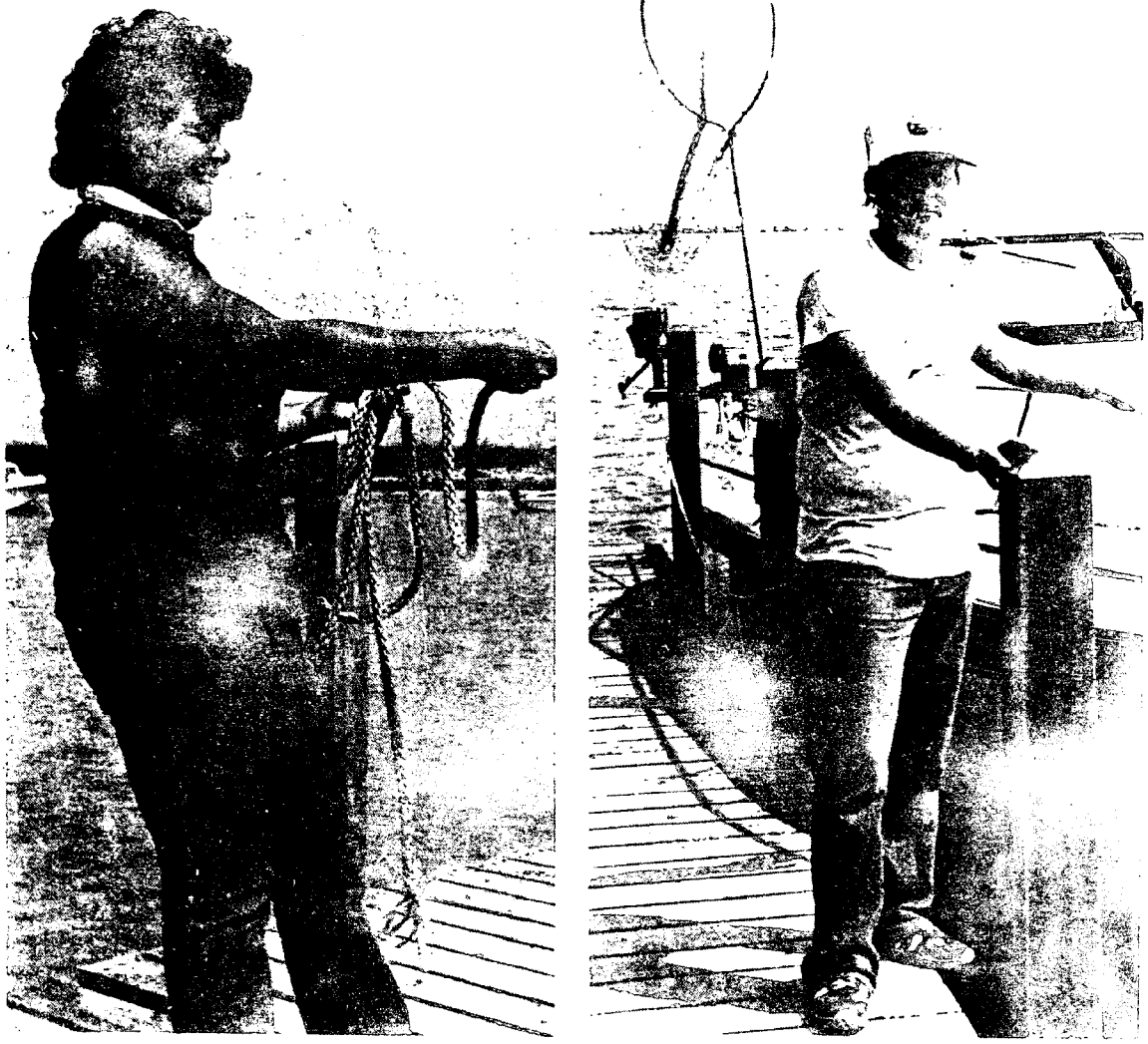
Gheen photos

After all, a $1.3 million annual pricetag makes sport fishing one of the biggest, if not the biggest industry in the county. And it seems to be growing bigger every year.

Or maybe the critics of sport fishing were silent because statistical data is not the type of evidence that will change their minds. Their argument stems from something more intangible; a feeling that Harrisville is opening its doors to changes that everyone does not totally agree with.



CAPTAINS BARB AND BOB POTTS

THE ALPENA NEWS
September 10, 1981

Fishing in Alcona: a $2 million bonanza

By PETE KAROLY

HARRISVILLE — An impact study issued Wednesday by the Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife indicates that Lake Huron fishing activity circulates at least $2 million annually in Alcona County.

The study, drafted by Scott W. Jordan and Daniel R. Talhelm of MSU and a number of local volunteers, was submitted to the county planning commission at its regular meeting Wednesday.

The study was initiated about 18 months ago and was funded by grants from the Land Resource Programs Division of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the Michigan Sea Grant Project and about $3,000 in local match monies.

Jordan said fishermen were surveyed during the spring-summer trout season at Harrisville and the fall salmon season at Harrisville and Black River from September 1980 to August 1981. Both on-shore and boat fishermen were surveyed at Harrisville, while primarily on-shore fishermen were questioned at Black River.

The objectives of the study, according to Jordan, were to estimate the number of angler days spent fishing in the county during the year; indicate how much anglers spent in the county during one year; and to give fishermen, residents, businesses and government officials an opportunity to express their feelings about sport fishing's impact on the county.

A total of 217 fishermen were surveyed from Sept. 15 to Nov. 1, 1980, while 451 anglers were surveyed from April 11 to Aug. 1, 1981. Among the questions asked fishermen was how much they spent on a number of items, such as fishing equipment, camping and lodging, fuel, food and miscellaneous items. An average daily expenditure was then determined and was multiplied by the number of angler days during the year. An angler day was defined as one angler fishing any part of one day.

Jordan said conservative estimates indicate that fishermen spent at least $1,333,178 in Alcona County during the year with at least $2 million being circulated before going outside the county.

"The total average daily expenditure was around $24 which, multiplied by 56,063 angler days during the year equaled about $1,333,000," Jordan said. "That money is then circulated in the county, like when a fisherman buys groceries, part of that money is earned by the grocery clerk, who in turn also spends part on groceries. In effect, we estimate that at least $2 million is circulated throughout the county because of sport fishing."

Jordan pointed out that, according to data obtained from fishermen and local merchants, only about 14 percent of the money spent during the fishing season goes to major fishing equipment, tackle and licenses. Over 16 percent is spent in restaurants, 15.6 percent on vehicle gas, 14.3 percent on groceries, 13.1 percent on miscellaneous items such as beer and cigarettes, and 10.6 percent on lodging.

"A common complaint is that fishermen spend most of their money in the tackle shops," Jordan said. "Our figures show that isn't true. Figures also vary from the fall and the summer. The fall anglers are usually male and they tend to spend more. The summer season is more family oriented with most of the fishermen coming from this area so less is spent in some areas."

Jordan said 24 percent of the anglers surveyed in the fall came from out-of-state, with the majority coming from Ohio. Of the in-state fishermen, most came from a corridor stretching south from Bay County to Detroit. Over 14 percent of the fishermen came from Oakland County, followed by Wayne, 8.8 percent; Genesee, 8.3; Macomb, 6.9; Saginaw, 6.5; Bay, 5.5; and Washtenaw, 5.1. Alcona County residents made up 4.1 percent of the fall fishermen.

Spring and summer fishermen, on the other hand, are almost exclusively in-state anglers and predominantly county residents. Over 25 percent of those fishermen live in Alcona County, which Jordan indicated would also account for them spending less during a fishing trip. Genesee County residents made up 15.3 percent, while Oakland County accounted for 11.5 percent.

Figures indicated that accomodations during the fall and snagging at the harbor were still problems in Harrisville. About 20 percent of the fishermen said they spent the night in the north harbor parking lot, the D & M station lot or on city streets, which is against city ordinances. Since the DNR has shown it will enforce snagging regulations, Jordan said fishermen could be made aware of that and shown what the legal fishing techniques are.

Jordan indicated in the report that the figures showed a different strategy was needed during the specific fishing seasons in order to realize the full economic potential of the area. Because of school and the chance of inclement weather in the fall, the fishermen tended to be men who came to the area primarily to fish. Jordan suggested that any activities or promotions at that time of the year be tied in with fishing.

Activities in the summer should be more family oriented, he said, which may prompt families to come to the area sooner, stay longer and come back more often.

"The study gives the statistics on what exists and points out the potential of the area, it does not tell you what to do," Jordan said. "I personally would love to see something done because I think this area has a tremendous amount of potential."

ALCONA COUNTY HERALD
September 9, 1981

Requests For County Funds On The Increase

By Janet Watson

It's annual budget time again, and the Alcona County Commissioners are continuing to receive requests for funding from entities within the county and from the multi-county agencies of which Alcona is a part. With few exceptions, the amounts reflect increases over those for previousty ears. At the September 3 meeting of the commissioners, the request totaled almost $30,000.

One of the pleas came from Paul VanderSchie and Charles White, the Director and Assistant Administrative Director of the Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health Services who asked for a 40% increase in the "net county request for 1982". Last year the net county request (the amount after the interest earned is subtracted) was for $8,097. For 1982 it will be $11,339.

All four counties: Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, and Presque Isle were asked for larger sums this year; but since, the computations were made on the 1980 census figures, Alcona and Montmorency's proportions increased significantly: the 40% for Alcona and 45% for Montmorency. VanderSchie noted that the alteration in the percentages will also mean a redistribution in the number of county members on the Mental Health Board: Alpena County will lose one seat and Alcona County will gain one, reducing Alpena's representation to exactly 50%.

Another reason for the increase was the growth in the CMH budget from approximately $1,000,000 last year to over $4,000,000 for 1981-82. When Alcona County Commission Chairman Gerald Jasinski registered the complaint that, "I'm concerned over our portion of the budget, but also for the (size of the) budget for Community Mental Health," VanderSchie explained that, "This is not expansion money, it is transfer money." He continued saying that the CMH is taking over some of the responsibilities and functions of the Department of Social Services and the State CMH by the housing of the "Developmentally Disabled" in AIS homes in the region. Jasinski queried, "I thought that the AIS homes were to be a cost savings". VanderSchie replied that there was a 10-15% reduction in the cost from when the state was caring for these people. He also mentioned that there will be more jobs in the four county area because of the transfer of patients from Alpine Center in Gaylord to the local region, adding, "Otsego county is angry because a lot of people at Alpine have lost their jobs."

The request will be referred to the County's Finance Committee for consideration in the 1982 budget.

The commissioners also received a request for the county's portion of the Probate Court Budget for Child Care. The total budget for that function is $80,150: $70,200 of it for Family Foster Care, Institutional Care, and State Ward Chargebacks. The county's share if $14,000, up $4,000 from last year. This allocation was authorized at the meeting.

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The Alcona County Economic Development Corporation, preparing to round up matching funds for a Coastal Zone Management Grant of $18,000, and having no funds of its own, asked the County Commissioners to provide the cost of utilities for the year at the "log cabin", the office of the EDC in Harrisville since January of this year. The commissioners will ask that the EDC submit an estimate of the cost before the request can be granted, if at all.

Commissioner Edward Bartos, concerned over the County Equalization Department to continue to fund the position of appraiser, held by Tom Miks, for the remainder of 1981. One thousand dollars of the total of $1,902 will be transfered from the County Contingency Fund. The remainder will come from revenues within the Equalization Department.

The eastern portion of the Alcona Ambulance Service is at status quo. Ambulance Committee Chairman Ralph Tait reported that he is still hoping to hold a public hearing on the ambulance service, but is waiting for the

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County Planning Commission to furnish background information. Asked how many people passed the county funded EMT class, Tait stated that "about 14 passed, and they were notified individually, but we have to wait until they get their certifications in hand before we can put them out on the road."

County Coordinator Donald Williams reported that there will be an all-day workshop at the Lincoln Memorial Hall on Saturday, September 12 that is state sponsored and will be free of charge for those participating.

In other business, the commissioners:

-granted use of the ARA for a Boy Scout camp-out on October 16, 17 and 18 for about 125 scouters and scoutmasters in Northeast Michigan.

-learned from Williams that the county's increase in Workmen's Compensation fees is due to the overall rate increase and to the "Experience Modification of 1.43" for the county, which reflects past claims.

-were informed that the final report of the "Sportsfishing Impact Study" will be presented at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10 by researcher Scott Jordan at the County Court House. Preliminary information received revealed that about $1,000,000 was spent by fishermen along the Alcona shoreline during salmon fishing season last year.

learned that the "Substance Abuse Agency" has expanded to include the counties in Northwest Michigan and has changed its name from Northeast to Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency Inc.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
August 4, 1981

Harbor problems evident in storm:

Nor'easter blows into Harrisville

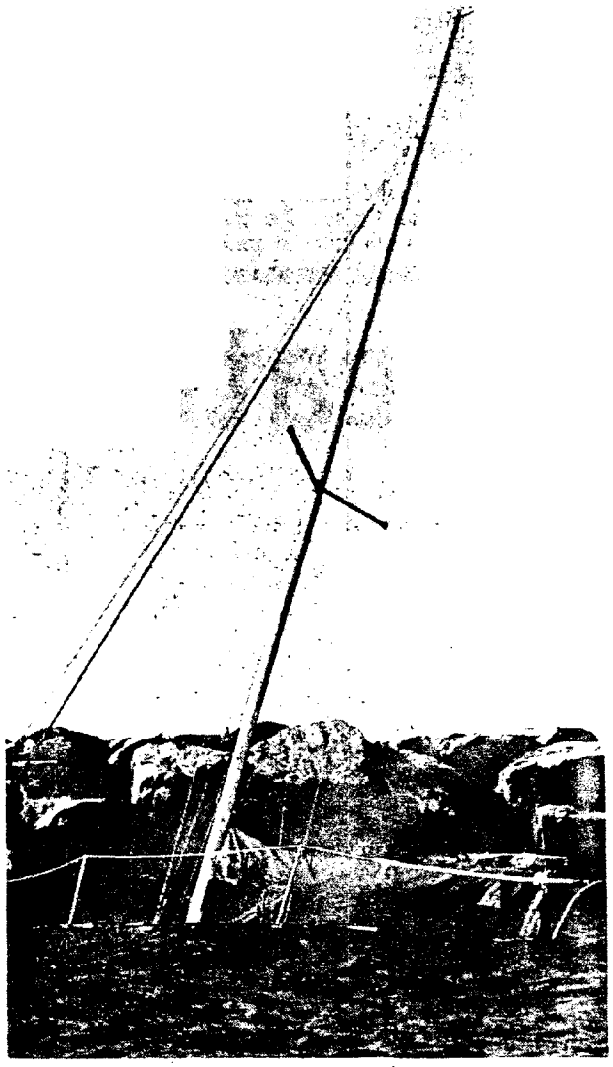
by Don MacMaster

A slashing northeast storm--with winds up to 50 knots (58 mph) according to Harbormaster John Pridnia--swept into the harbor Tuesday night and destroyed a 24-foot, $25,000 sailboat owned by John Rufus of Brighton. Another sailboat was lodged on a sandbar that runs along the southwest corner of the harbor. The boat was undamaged, but it had to be capsized in order to be dislodged. "When the northeasterly came in, they (the boats) just went where they wanted," said Pridnia.

Because the harbor slips were all occupied, Rufus' vessel, along with another sailboat, was lashed to a buoy just inside the rocky breaker wall. When the high winds hit, both boats broke free from their mooring and the other vessel drove Rufus' fiberglass 24-footer directly into the jagged rocks. "As soon as the storm hit it took the whole damn thing into the rocks," Pridnia said.

Tuesday night's incident pointed out a problem that everyone connected with the harbor is worried about. The northeast entrance to the harbor is much too wide. Consequently, the harbor provides virtually no protection from northeast gales, generally the direction from which the worst storms come. "The water was so choppy in the harbor Tuesday night that I grew seasick and had to leave my boat and go onshore," complained a Birmingham native.

The Army Corps of Engineers, with matching funds provided by the state, was to have completed alterations on the breaker wall last spring. Under last spring's plan, the north wall was to be extended and then angled toward the shore in an easterly direction. But the Corps of Engineers is currently very short on funds--that's why the Road Commission undertook the dredging project in the harbor earlier this month--and the Corps has put off the project until they have funds securely in the bank to appropriate for the job.



Meanwhile, sailboat owners and local merchants wait nervously, knowing full well that while they managed to roll with Tuesday night's blow, next time they might not be so lucky. In fact, had the storm held off until Wednesday when the harbor was full of sailboats that had participated in the Port Huron to Mackinac sailboat race, greater damage might have been the consequence.

"People say we're lucky the storm didn't hold off until Wednesday when all the racers were in. In spite of the circumstances, I guess I'd have to agree with them," Pridnia said.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
July 20, 1981

Welcome makes symbolic trip between pair of forts

MACKINAW CITY - After 200 years, the Welcome has sailed again.

A replica of that sloop that transferred garrison from Fort Michilimackinac, at Mackinaw City, to Fort Mackinac on Mackinac Island in 1781, delivered a flag from Michilimackinac to Fort Mackinac Saturday.

It was the first official trip by the Welcome, which was launched last year after being under construction for several years in the Fort Michilimackinac Maritime Museum as an attraction for spectators. The original Welcome sank in a storm in 1781.

The new Welcome left Mackinaw City about 1 p.m. A northeasterly wind was blowing, and the Welcome made poor time with sail. A timed program was set up, with the Governor and other dignitaries and speakers waiting at Mackinac Island, so the diesel engines were operated to help along with the sails. The Welcome made the trip in two hours and twenty five minutes.

It was escorted by several other sailing craft. Also four trade canoes, of the type used by voyageurs in the 18th century, were paddled on the route, three by ten people and one by twelve people. The canoes got to the island before the Welcome.

Ceremonies were held both at Mackinaw City and Mackinac Island.

At Fort Michilimackinac, with about 100 people watching and taking part, the British flag was ceremonially lowered by costumed British troops, with costumed French troops standing by. French troops founded the fort at Mackinaw City about 1715, and British took the fort over in 1760. They abandoned the fort in 1781, moving it to Mackinac Island.

The flag was paraded to the marina, where the Welcome was docked.

In the parade, coming down Central Avenue while big crowds of tourists and other spectators watched, were the Mackinaw City High School Band, British Army, French Army, Indians and muzzle loader groups.

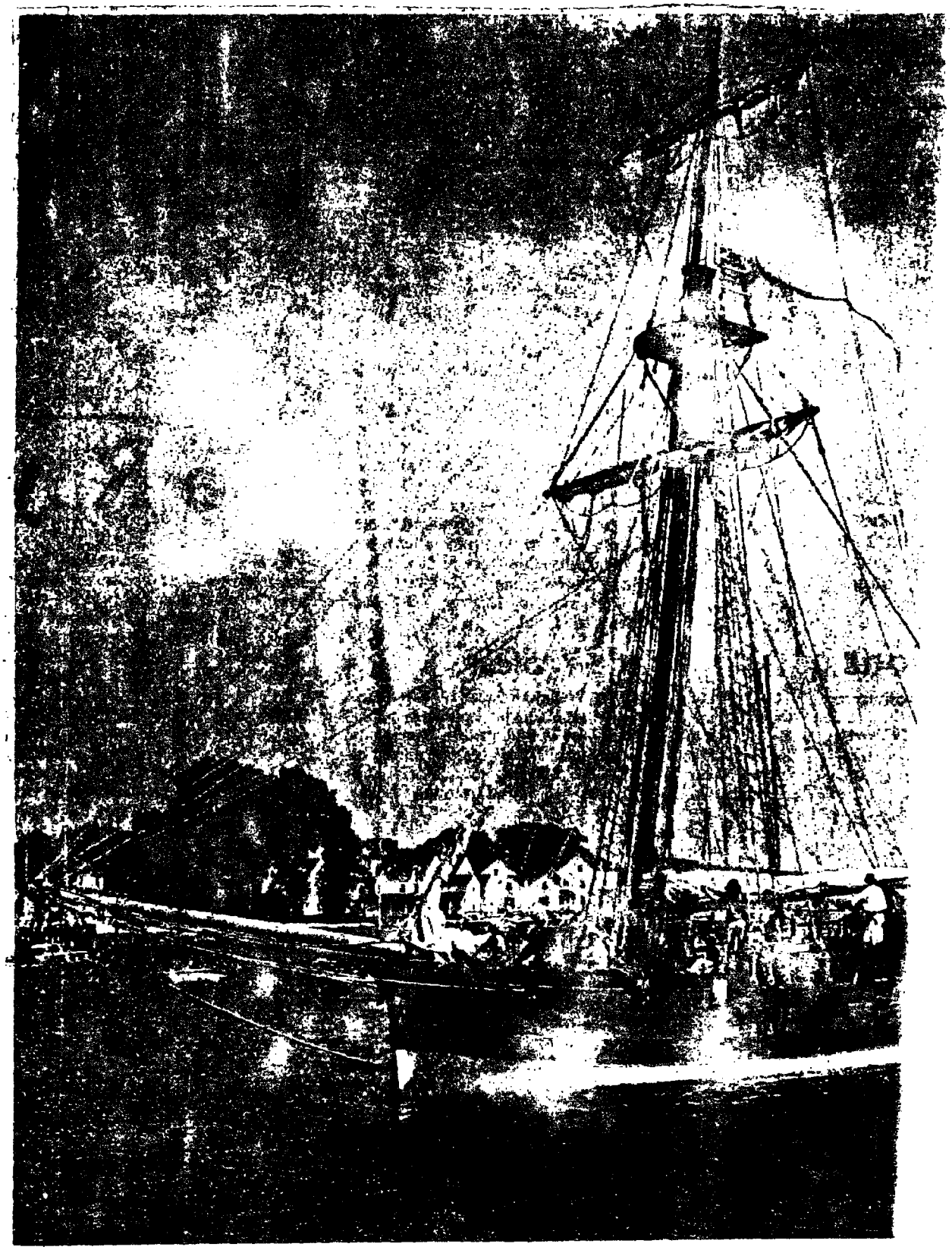
A big club of muzzle loaders was at Mackinaw City for the weekend, camping out in the fort where they set up a wigwam village.

The flag was delivered to the Welcome, aboard which dignitaries and press representatives awaited. Among those in the boat were the contractor and designer for the sloop, and David Armour, assistant director of the Mackinac Island State Park Commission.

A bagpipe band played at Mackinac Island when the Welcome approached.

Governor William Milliken was one of the spectators.

Following a speaking program on significance of the occasion, the flag was escorted up the hill to the fort, and ceremonially hoisted in presence of the Mackinaw City British and French troops, school band, Voyageurs, and other spectators.



A WELCOME FOR THE WELCOME — Tourists and natives alike turned out in great numbers Saturday at the docks on Mackinac Island, to see the arrival of the Welcome, a replica of a 1775 sloop. The ship was part of the celebration marking the bicentennial of the transfer of the garrison at Fort Michilimackinac in Mackinaw City to Mackinac Island. As the ship neared Round Island Light, cannons and muskets fired in salute. The ceremonies began in Mackinaw City when the flag was lowered escorted to the Welcome, which then set a course fo island. At the dock, the Welcome and her crew were by a piper and drummer who escorted the crew to Mackinac, high above the business district speeches made and the formal flag-raising ceremony took pl

Tribune photo by John Charles Robbins.

PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY ADVANCE
June 18, 1981

Work starts on Rogers City shoreline improvements

After more than a year of planning, a management study and several public meetings, shoreline improvements in Rogers City began this spring.

Several weeks ago, city crews began removing an old road that ran behind the Driftwood Motel, and next week construction will begin on nature trails in the Seagull Point area. But these are only the first steps in an ambitious, long range plan for future development in the city-owned portions of the Lake Huron shoreline.

Within the city limits of Rogers City there are approximately three miles of shoreline and one third of it is public land for public use and enjoyment. The land was divided up into seven parcels for the study.

"The general scheme of the plan was that we would start up at Seagull Point with generally passive parks, nature areas, and then as we moved toward the center of town, the next parcel is the one behind the Driftwood, where there would be a little more active neighborhood type park," explained city manager James Leidlein. "Then we would get to the Lakeside Park and marina area the largest, most active park, and then up to the sports field."

Even before the planning was done, the city applied for and received a low cost construction grant of $35,000 to finance the work for the Seagull Point area and the land behind the Driftwood.

The Seagull Point area (parcels one and three in the plan) is basically known for its natural state, particularly the low plain sand dunes and examples of natural succession. To preserve that state, passive parks were planned for that area. Also more chains and bollards will be installed in the area, running the length of the site on U.S. 23. The chains will prevent vehicles from disturbing the dunes and plants.

AT WORK — City crews remove some of the road behind the Driftwood Motel as the first step in the project to make a neighborhood park on the city-owned property.

Also to be completed this summer is one and a half to two miles of nature trails in the Seagull Point parcels. This will be a four-foot wide trail made out of wood chips with six or seven interpretive-type signs along the way, pointing out some of the nearby natural features and plant and animal life. A footbridge over a creek will also be constructed to keep users from disturbing the highly erodable creek.

Doing some of the construction work on the trails will be 15 county youths who are working this summer in the Youth Conservation Corps.

On the site behind the Driftwood, work has already begun on removing the old road that separated the parcel in two. In the near future, the area will be cleared of most of the scrub and undergrowth so that a grassy picnic area and a beach area can be completed. Eventually on the site a neighborhood park with some playground equipment will be established, Leidlein said.

Clearing of the area will have to be done a bit more cautiously than had been planned. "We've had one complaint that some of that vegetation is an endangered species plant," Leidlein said. "The environmental consultants, Snell Environmental Group, made no notes that there were any endangered species in the area. We'll have to be careful when we remove the growth not to harm anything endangered."

The money to make these improvements came in the form of a grant, but Leidlein said it doesn't look like all the money will be used. "We have to match 20 percent of the grant. We're

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Work on shoreline started

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trying to do as much of that as we can by using in-kind labour, using our own men and equipment so there isn't any cash outlay," Leidlein said.

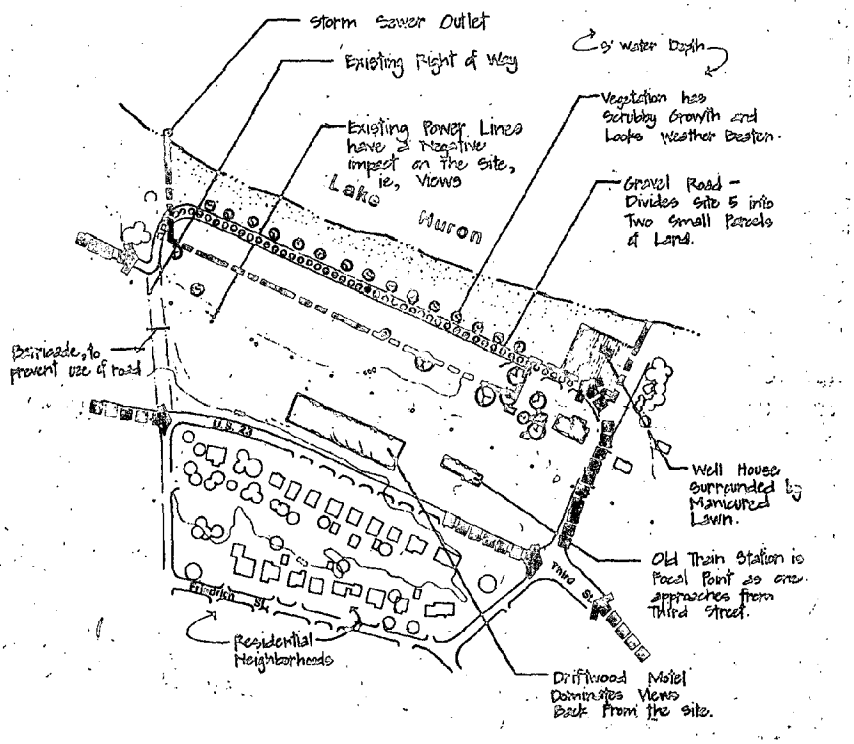
Since the labor is being supplied by city personnel and the YCC, the grant money goes for the materials, and Leidlein said they didn't cost as much as had been planned. "If we can save the state some money and save us some money and still get the job done, I don't see why we have to spend every nickel. We'll do as much of the plan on the three sites within the dollar framework, but if we spend only $20,000, I think that will be to our credit," Leidlein said. He had no estimate of how much money would actually be spent.

Although the first three parcels will be essentially completed by the end of the summer, the future implementation of the plan is in doubt.

The most far-reaching aspects of the plan involve the Lakeside Park area with long-range goals of shops and concessions on a boardwalk deck over Lake Huron and a new band shell.

"Whether we look at trying to get some grant money in the fall remains to be seen," Leidlein stated. "Grants are fine and dandy, but you have to match them, and if we don't have the match money, we're not going to get very far."

The Little League has some donated materials and would like to get started on the construction of two additional diamonds. Also, the Kiwanis Club has been given the go-ahead to plant some shrubs (called site amenities in the plan) to the Lakeside Park area.



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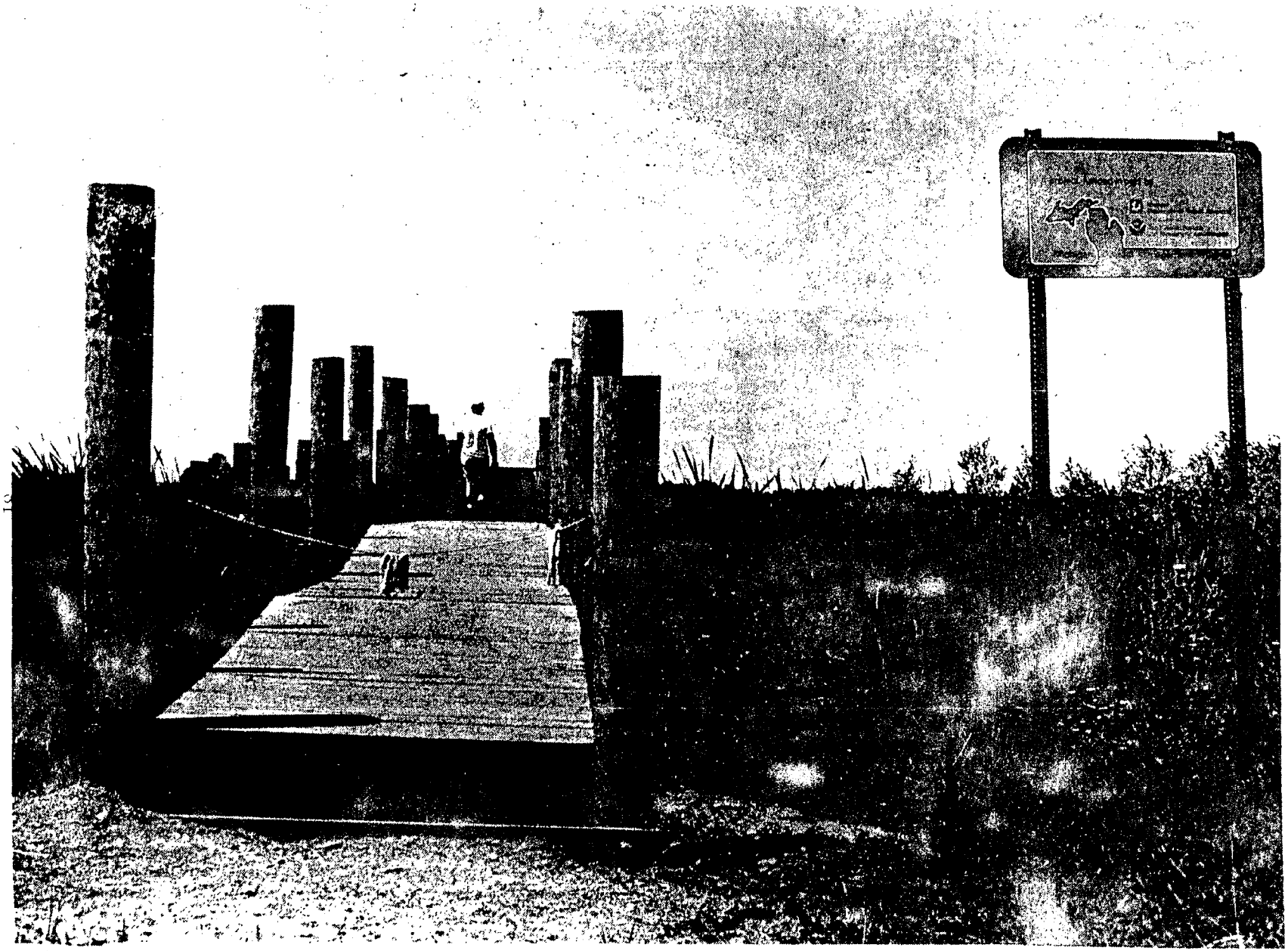


BOARDWALK POSTPONED? City workers completed about one quarter of the planking for the new boardwalk at Gordon Turner Park, but the walkway through the cattail marsh may not be completed until Fall. City Manager Steve Wright said today that a lack of workers may hold up the City part of the grant work, which was to supply the labor for the job. The project was to be completed in May of 81.

Tribune photo by Mark Pruchnicki

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
June 16, 1981

Great Lakes Shipwrecks highlighted June 20

"Great Lake Shipwrecks", a one and one-half hour film presentation on the marine heritage of our great lakes, will be presented Saturday, June 20, 1981 at 8 o'clock in the Harrisville Elementary School under the sponsorship of the Cooperative Extension Service and the Alcona Historical Society. The presentation is made available through SHIPS.

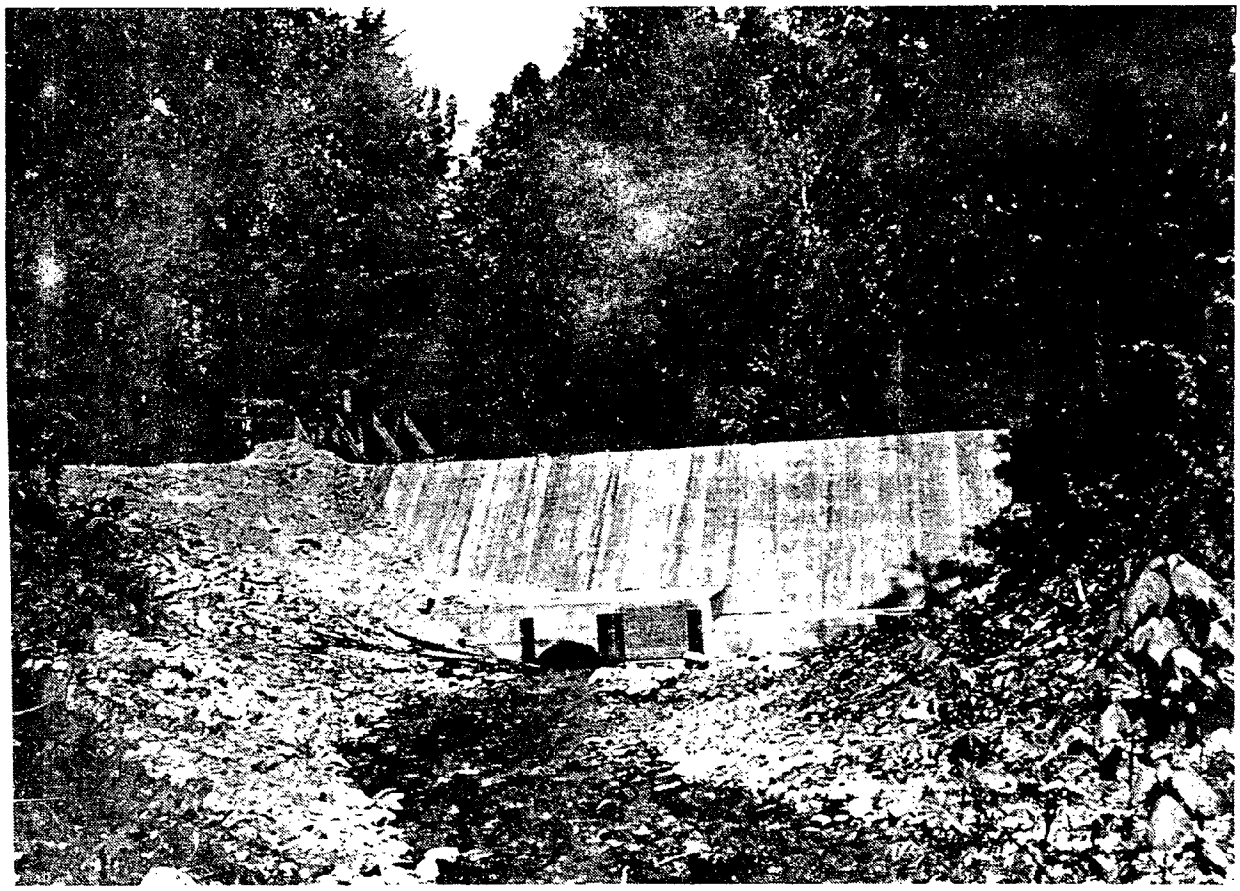
SHIPS (Shipwreck History Inspection and Preservation Society) creates these programs through the survey of great lakes waters for shipwreck sites and the documentation of these wreck sites through visual inspection, photography and drawings.

This program will consist of two 20 minute films with a question and answer period after each. The first film is on "Viator" a 619-ton vessel which sank October 31, 1935 off Thunder Bay Island after she was struck in the side by the Ormedale. The second film will be on the "Pewabic" which sank in 1865 after colliding with her sister ship the Metcor off of Alpena County.

There is no admission charge and all are invited to attend.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
June 11, 1981

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE, Thursday, June 11, 1981



MILL CREEK DAM - Mill Creek Dam, being restored as it was 200 years ago, begins to take on a finished look as seen in this photo, taken from the south of water approach side. Construction is basically completed. Water flowing from the south will be stopped and will rise to the height of the dam, approximately 11 feet, and will flow over to provide the force to turn a water power wheel in a grist mill which will be constructed restoring the mill that operated there before.

Water is now allowed to flow through the dam freely. When the mill is constructed and the dam in operation, the flow will be stopped so the water, which is now only inches deep, can back up and accumulate until depth reaches height of the dam.

Work is understood to be completed on the dam for this year except for some fill work. Other work on the Mill Creek project this year will include putting asphalt on the entrance road from US 23, and possibly some trail building.

Mill Creek, located south of Mackinaw City, is a project of the Mackinac Island State Park Commission, which is making Mill Creek focus of a new historical restoration attraction.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
June 6, 1981

Daily tours offered at area nature preserve

CHEBOYGAN - With rare flowers in the Grass Bay Nature Preserve near Cheboygan now coming out in exquisite bloom, daily tours are being taken to see this special area of natural charm, located four miles east of Cheboygan.

The Seedums Garden Club took a tour Thursday, accompanied by a few members of the Belleville Garden Club. Approximately 25 people took part, according to Mary Kavanaugh, club president.

David Mahan, a botanist staying at the University of Michigan Biological Station, was the guide.

One of the other tours is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, when Garden Club members are coming from Traverse City to see the many rare blooms and the assortment of other spring flowers.

The Sunday Tour starts at 1 p.m. from the parking lot of the Nordic Inn on US 23.

The Grass Bay Preserve harbors many threatened plants found only along the Great Lakes, and 25 species of orchids, many of which are in bloom now.

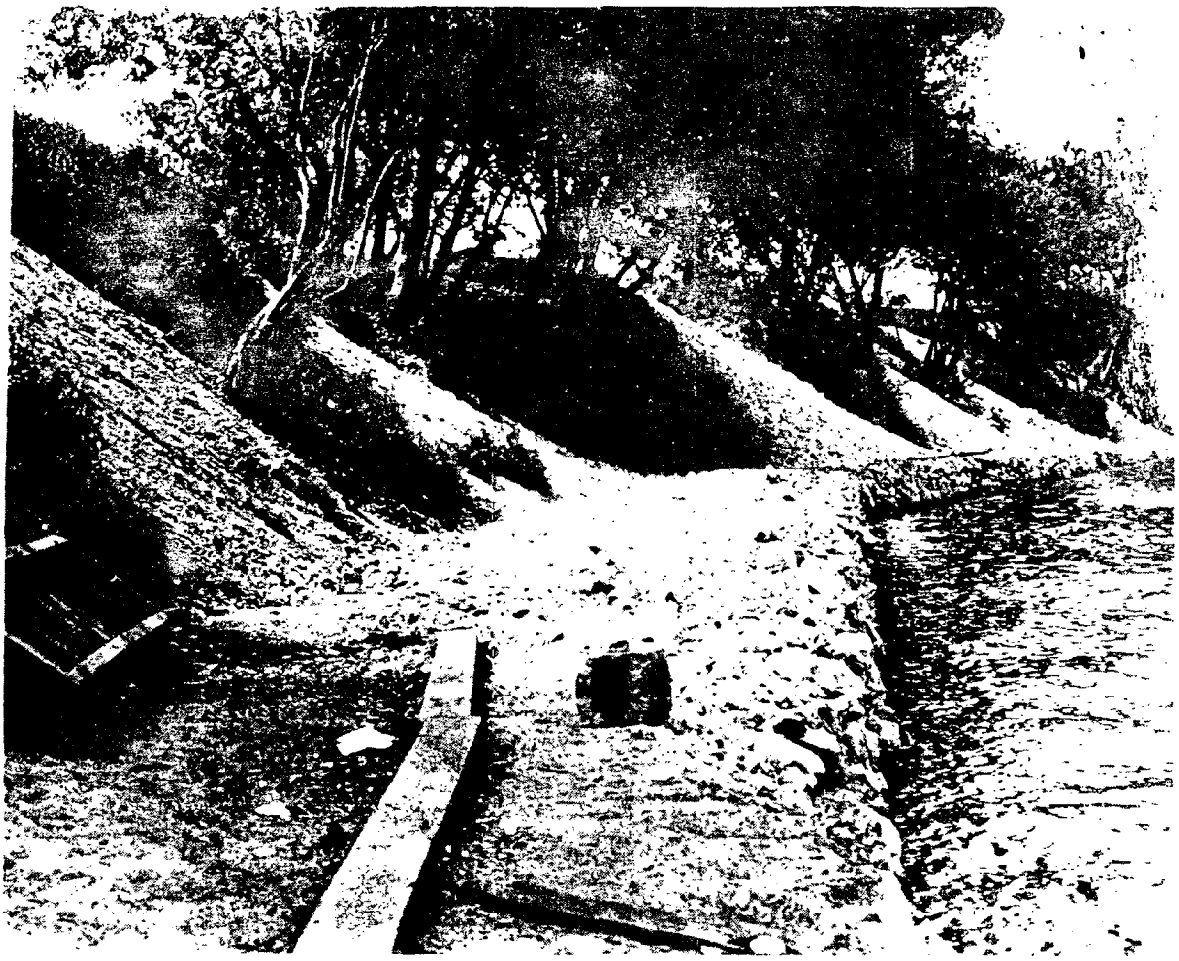
This area was recently purchased by the Nature Conservancy in a joint protection effort with the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan.

A guided tour is being held over the Sturgeon Bay Dunes today. In addition to enjoying the wonderful scenery the dunes offer, participants will be able to see many rare shoreline plants which inhabit the dunes. The property is just south of Wilderness State Park along Lake Michigan.

The 750-acre duneland is the subject of a five-year effort to secure state protection for the property.

The hike started at 9:30 a.m. at the Bliss Township park, four miles north of Cross Village on Lakeshore Drive.

THE ALPENA NEWS
June 3, 1981



LAMARRE PARK UNDER CONSTRUCTION — No, this isn't the "boardwalk" at LaMarre County Park at the end of Eighth Avenue. At one board wide and two boards long, it's a little skimpy for your average riverside stroller. But this picturesque site IS LaMarre County Park, and this is where a boardwalk, two stairways, a split-rail fence, and landscaping will be added to make a pleasant in-city spot for nature lovers and fishermen. The County Parks and Recreation Commission says the boardwalk should be completed by the end of the month and other improvements by Sept. 15. The project has been funded with $3,500 from the Northeast Michigan Community Foundation, $21,000 from the Coastal Management Program, and with building materials provided by Presque Isle Corp. The park is named for Joe LaMarre, a city resident who has devoted many years to county park operation and recreational activities. (News Photo)

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIVUNE
June 3, 1981

Riverbank stabilization project to be on meeting agenda soon

CHEBOYGAN - The long proposed project for recreation development and bank stabilization on vicinity of the Cheboygan river dam will be on agenda for a meeting July 9 here between state and federal agencies.

Representatives of the U.S. Soil Conservation Service will meet with officials of the Department of Natural Resources at 1 p.m. in the Soil Conservation office in the County Building. Following that they will go to the site, back of the Procter & Gamble mill.

The federal interest will be represented by Carl Stamm, Resource, Conservation,and Development (RCCD) coordinator for the Huron Pines R.C. and D area.

Stamm said this will be a pre-design conference to firm up arrangements "as to how we and the DNR see it."

His agency signed the project agreement recently. Stamm said that when DNR signs, the engineering work can start.

The project will be broken down into three parts. Stamm explained that DNR Waterways Division's part would be associated with an access ramp, parking area, and toilets for the fishermen using that good fishing area.

Soil Conservation Service would undertake stabilization of the river bank down stream from the dam.

The job of stabilizing the high banks south and last of the dam would be contracted out with the federal government paying 75 percent and the DNR 25 percent, Stamm said.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
June 2, 1981

Will they or won't they?

Harrisville Harbor project set for 1983 - sounds iffy at best

It was all the dates that had everyone confused. First May of '82 was mentioned, then October of '82, then May of '83, and finally it was agreed that if and when the funding package is put together for Harrisville's harbor completion project, it will be in October of 1983.

At that time, if the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Corps of Engineers each provide 50% of the total cost, the money will be appropriated and the project should move into its final stages.

As nearly twenty people met at the Harbor Lights restaurant in Harrisville, Richard Baker from the Corps of Engineers announced that "an approved design will be ready next week." Some of the people at the meeting expressed surprise, saying they thought they had seen the final plans years ago. Ken Trower remarked, "In the beginning the Corps showed us about three different plans which they said were the final plans. Now they come in and tell us the final plan will be ready in eight days--which to me sounds like another bureaucratic stall."

Baker replied that it takes about seven years to go through the design stages before having an approved design ready to go, complete with plans and specifications.

The meeting, which was arranged by John Swise, President of Harrisville's Downtown Development Authority, included Baker; Keith Wilson, Chief of the Waterways division for the Department of Natural Resources; State Representative Tom Alley from the 105th District; representatives from Senator Carl Levin's and state senator Mitch Irwin's offices, and a number of interested persons from the county.

Estimated to cost between one-half to one million dollars, the harbor completion would add 150 feet to the existing long arm of the breakwater, and would add 50 feet of breakwall, reducing the width of the harbor entrance to alleviate some of the problems. A hoped-for part of the project, a walk-out fishing pier, has been scrapped, officials said.

"You're a lot closer now than you've ever been in the past," said Baker.

While spokesmen from both the Corps and the DNR tried to be encouraging, the fiscal situation makes the project iffy at this point. The possible lack of funding was cited several times by each man.

"Unless revenues increase, we won't be able to fund grants," said Keith Wilson. "This is the first time I've had to tell anybody that. But the funds from marine tank fuels is down 5% and the predictions are for a 10% decrease for the year."

Asked by Tom Alley what would happen to federal monies not used, but designated for the project, Baker replied that "The money goes back if it's not used in the '82 budget." Since state funds may not be available in the same fiscal year, there may be a problem, Alley indicated.

"If you wait a year and the cost of the project goes up through inflation, the Feds will say it's your problem," Alley commented. Baker replied that the Corps has a contingency fund and added, "Once you get a project to the bidding stage, we upgrade continuously for inflation."

Alley explained that with federal funding there was no earmarking for particular small projects within basic block grants. He said that President Reagan's budget proposal did not include grants for these projects, however, the House and Senate might put them in. If so, he said, the Harrisville harbor project would be a high priority item.

Baker agreed with Alley's assessment. He said, "It's on to--IF." He urged area residents to write to their Congressmen and Senators to urge its funding.

When asked why projects are started in several areas of the state and not completed, Keith Wilson of the DNR replied, "We respond to pressure from fishery 'hot spots.' Right now the demand is for more facilities for walleye fishing in Saginaw Bay and Lake Erie. It's like saying someone has a 50 million-dollar demand and a 5 million-dollar budget."

Richard Sella asked about cost differences between local estimates and state estimates for toilet facilities at the south harbor. "We had contractors who said they could build it for $40,000 and the state said it would cost about $100,000." Wilson replied, "If you can do it cheaper, do it!" He added that bringing construction specifications up to pass both state and federal inspections would be costly.

G.T. Long, from State Senator Mitch Irwin's office, said the senator was "100% behind this project" and would do whatever he could to help.

In current upgrading of the harbor area, the DNR is constructing six boat launching ramps, and doubling the parking area to accomodate 110 car trailer units and 20 cars. Crews have been working all spring, clearing the site, demolishing cottages and the work is progressing well, officials said. "Our goal eventually is to have all the land between the breakwalls publically owned," said Wilson, discussing further purchase of privately owned water frontage in the area.

The meeting marked the first time that representatives from each of the factions involved had sat down together and discussed the project. Many local people who attended the meeting expressed the feeling that they were hearing some of the information for the first time.

Ken Trower announced, "One fallacy was cleared up. It was my understanding that the Corps said in the past that the original breakwall was incorrectly designed and it would be corrected at their expense. Now they're saying it's a 50-50 match between them and the DNR.

"It still looks to me like we're getting the runaround between the Corps and the DNR. Each of them is blaming the current financial situation for their past indecisiveness," Trower said.

THE ALPENA NEWS
May 30, 1981

Park boardwalk under construction

The 360-foot fishing boardwalk planned for LaMarre County Park at the end of Eighth Ave. is already under construction and should be finished by the end of June, county parks officials announced Friday.

The boardwalk along the Thunder Bay River is one of several improvements which, by late summer, will give the park a new look and fishermen and neighborhood people a nicer place to enjoy themselves.

Two stairways, a parking lot, and a split-rail fence will also be built, trees and shrubs planted, and the area topsoiled and seeded. County Parks and Recreation Commission Secretary Robert Reicks said some of the work is under way now and all of it should be finished by September 15.

A $3,500 grant from the Alpena-based Northeast Michigan Community Foundation helped make the project possible. The commission received another grant of $21,000 from the Coastal Management Program, and a contribution of building material from the Presque Isle Corp.

Stoneport products will be used in the loose stone foundation under the boardwalk, the limestone aggregate in the concrete that anchors it, and in the crushed gravel parking lot.

Joe LaMarre County Park is one of eight operated by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

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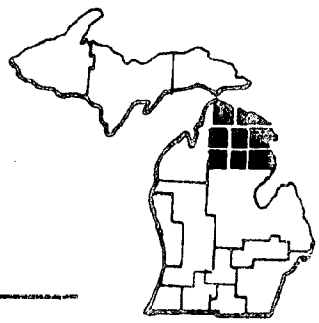

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LaMarre County Park Improvements Underway

The Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission has begun construction of a 360 foot long fishing boardwalk and other improvements at its Joe LaMarre County Park on the Thunder Bay River at the end of Eighth Street in Alpena. The project is being undertaken as a result of a $21,000 grant from the Michigan Coastal Management Program and another $3,500 grant from the Northeast Michigan Foundation based in Alpena. The rip rap material used in the foundation of the boardwalk was donated to the project by the Presque Isle Corporation from their Stoneport facility. The company will also be donating the crushed stone for a parking lot to be built at the park and the limestone aggregate for the concrete used to anchor the wooden boardwalk to the rip rap foundation.

Other improvements already underway or scheduled to be completed by late summer include the planting of trees and shrubs, two new stairways, two fishermen information signs, split-rail fencing and topsoil and seeding. According to Robert Reicks, secretary of the Alpena County Parks and Recreation, the project is slated to be completed by September 15th. The boardwalk should be installed, however, by the end of June with the other improvements to be constructed throughout the summer months.

The park, once completed, will be able to accommodate fishermen as well as serve local city residents for other passive recreational activities. LaMarre County Park is one of eight county parks operated by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

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CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
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'Welcome' sets sail

MACKINAW CITY - After 200 years, the Welcome has sailed again.

Only, this time it was replica of that Revolutionary War era sloop that operated as a warship in the Straits and finally sank in a storm in 1781.

The reconstructed Welcome left Mackinaw City under jib sail and went to Charlevoix, where rigging will be completed by the contractor, the McCutcheon Boatworks.

There was a big difference however between this trim vessel and the original Welcome. Besides windpower, the present craft pushing along with aid of its diesel engines.

The Welcome, which was launched last year, has been undergoing superstructure and interior layout work at its special dock at the Mackinaw City marina.

It will be featured this summer in the bicentennial celebration of removal of the garrison from Fort Michilimackinac from Mackinaw City to Mackinac Island. The original Welcome transported equipment and building materials from Mackinaw City to the island in 1780 and 1781.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
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To save from artifact-hungry divers

DNR to set shipwreck preserves

DETROIT (AP) — The Michigan Natural Resources Commission is expected to establish underwater Great Lakes preserves next month to protect the state's shipwrecks from artifact-hungry divers, according to advocates of the program.

The first areas likely to be set aside are at Thunder Bay near Alpena and off Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore near Munising in the Upper Peninsula, proponents of the preserves said.

The preserves were mandated under a 1980 law requiring the state to set aside 5 percent of Michigan's Great Lakes bottomlands as historical and recreational areas.

The law to protect Michigan's underwater wrecks came about after state officials learned in the early 1970s that divers were stripping entire ships of historical items.

In the past, divers were allowed to remove anything from preserve areas that can be taken by hand. Under the new law, however, the penalty for removing anything from the preserve would be a $100 fine and 90 days in jail.

But enforcing the statute may be more difficult than establishing it, said a spokesman for the 400-member Michigan Skin Diving Council.

"It's pretty easy for a guy to hide a few goodies in his boat and be gone," said Leonard Kennedy, who publishes the council's magazine. "But at least we've got the law."

The state Department of Natural Resources does not intend to patrol the areas, noted Bruce Andrews, chairman of the DNR underwater salvage committee, which is responsible for selecting preserve locations.

"If we get a complaint, we will get someone out there and issue a ticket," Andrews said in today's Detroit News. "We aren't even contemplating putting up signs (noting the ban on salvaging) at this time."

Cold water has acted to preserve the estimated 6,000 wrecks in the Great Lakes and many of them remain in good condition.

"The ships themselves are time capsules," said Donald F. Holecek, a Michigan State University professor and long-time advocate of underwater parks. "If you trace the history of Michigan, it's very much tied into the Great Lakes."

The first known wreck on the Great Lakes was the Griffin, which disappeared without a trace on its maiden voyage in 1679.

THE ALPENA NEWS
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TAKE ACTION NEXT MONTH

Alpena to be one of first two 'underwater preserves'

LANSING (UPI) — The Michigan Natural Resources Commission next month is expected to create its first two "underwater preserves" in an effort to prevent divers from plundering shipwrecks.

The actions will be made under a 1980 law requiring the state to set aside up to 5 percent of Michigan's Great Lakes bottomlands as recreational and historical areas.

The two preserves are planned in Lake Huron's Thunder Bay near Alpena and an area of Lake Superior near the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore near Munising.

The law was enacted after the state discovered trophy-hunting divers were taking historical items from some of the estimates 6,000 shipwrecks in the lakes.

Under the law, divers removing anything from the waters of an area designated as a preserve face a $100 fine and 90 day sentence.

State officials say they have no plans to police the preserves and will rely on individuals to report violators.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
May 15, 1981

Much work remains

Mill Creek dam progressing

By GORDON TURNER
Tribune news editor

MACKINAW CITY - Work is progressing this Spring at Mill Creek south of Mackinaw City on reconstruction of a dam such as provided water power 200 years ago to operate a grist mill and saw mill.

The property of over 500 acres is owned by the Mackinac Island State Park Commission, which also owns and operates historical projects at Mackinac Island and Mackinaw City, including Fort Michilimackinac.

Work on the dam was discontinued last Fall after the cement base was built.

Since work was resumed in April, park commission workmen have built the timber frame of the sides to approximately the full height.

A tube through the cement floor allows water to pass and a fish ladder has also been constructed.

The Mill Creek project for this summer apparently will center around the dam. Three men were working there Monday when a reporter visited the site. Dean Wyllis of St. Ignace, who was in charge, said they would probably work there a few more weeks then be transferred to work at the Fort at Mackinaw City. He added that they might be sent back later in the year.

Much work remains to be done, which is projected into future seasons. Wyllis said a spillway will be constructed. The dam will be about 11 feet high, he said, and water from the creek is expected to back up and rise to this level, then go charging with force down the spillway.

Downstream from the dam, Willis said possibly 75 feet, the mill will be reconstructed in the same manner as it was 200 years or so ago. The water force will turn a wheel in the mill to furnish power.

Archaeologists have never been able to find any traces of the mill. Dr. Eugene Peterson, superintendent of the Mackinac Island Park Commission, told the Tribune that possibly the mill was built over the creek, and when long in disuse disappeared by deterioration.

He said that Mill Creek project, which was launched ambitiously last year with a federal-state grant, will not be open to the public this year.

Mackinac Island State Park Commission projects at Mackinac Island, Mackinaw City, and Mill Creek get no tax support, but are financed through admissions.

The grant which enabled the start of Mill Creek restoration last year will run out soon, and then the project would be suspended.

Dr. Peterson said the Mackinac Island State Park Commission is considering the possibility of a bond issue, with bonds to be restored from admissions.

"It will be two or three years down line by my guess before we would have anything at Mill Creek worth charging admission to," he said.

But when the project is achieved, it will be a historical attraction. Plans as told last year included construction of an observation platform. Nature trails will be made. A large parking area has already been cleared. An entrance road has been built from US 23, but is closed to the public at present.

Adjacent to the parking lot will be an information center.

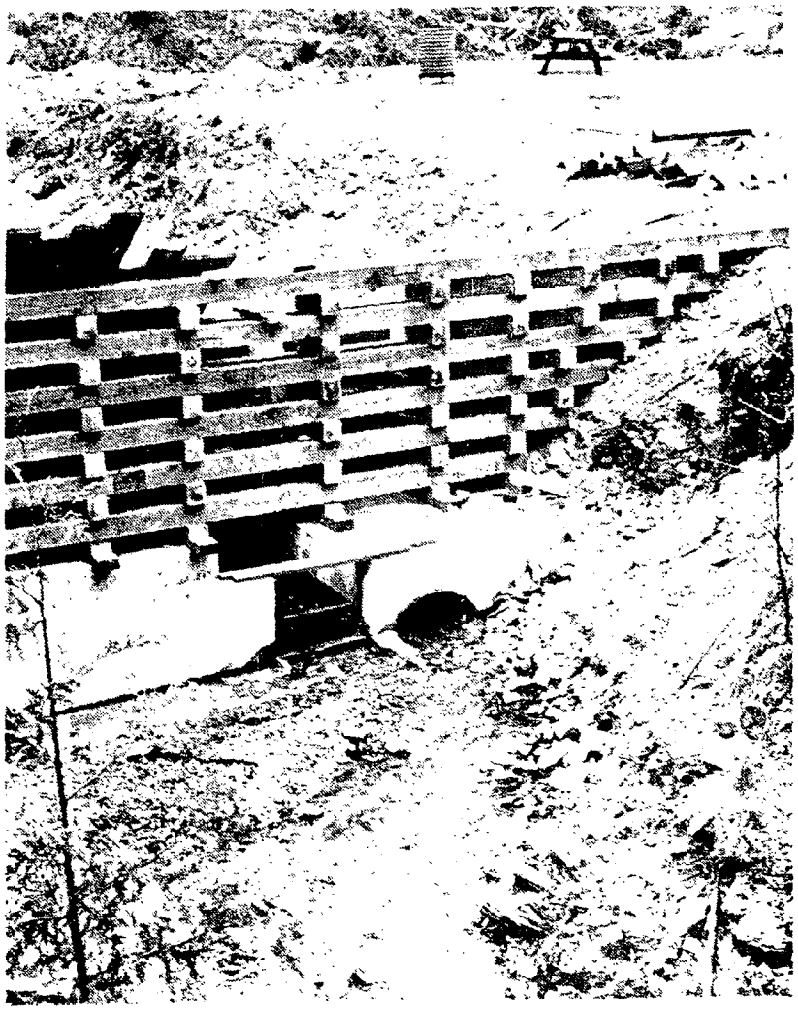
Plans proposed last year included possible construction of an Indian Village.

Dr. Peterson said that with construction of the dam, an energy orientation program is being considered. that would include demonstrations of water wind, and solar power.

The settlement at Mill Creek late in the 18th century and early part of the 19th century was an industrial and agricultural site, and probably also a military embarcation site, according to Mayor Ellis N. Olson, Cheboygan historian.

He with his wife Mary and Margaret Lentini discovered location of the site, long after it had been abandoned and there were no buildings remaining. He found artifacts which showed there had been presence of British troops. Uniform buttons which were found convinced him that Mill Creek, besides other usages, was an embarcation point for troops probably being transported by boats to Mackinac Island.

After locating the site, which is told about in early Michigan Straits area history, he turned his information over to the Mackinac Island State Park commission. Archeologists explored the area and found location of buildings. This led to the Commission acquiring the land and starting the Mill Creek project.



TIMBER FRAMEWORK is up for wall of the dam being built at Mill Creek, south of Mackinaw City. The Mackinac Island State Park Commission is reconstructing the dam in its design of 200 years ago. Waterpower created by the dam will turn a waterwheel to operate a mill that will be built in reconstruction of the original mill.

Photo by Gordon Turner

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
May 12, 1981

Alcona Historical Society dinner

by Marion Tartaglia

Thursday, May 21st is "Bring your broom, mop, bucket and rake and roll up your sleeves Day" for members of the Alcona Historical Society at the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse. Society president Lucille Gillard informed members that the Lighthouse building and grounds are to be readied for the open house scheduled in conjunction with Michigan week.

About 77 members and friends of the Alcona Historical Society gathered at the Harbor Lights Restaurant in Harrisville for their banquet and annual meeting Thursday evening.

The Alcona Historical Society is in the process of obtaining the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse from the Department of Natural Resources to be used as a museum of county and maritime history. The entire area will be used as a historical center and recreational park.

The actual area to be occupied by the Society's museum served as the living quarters designated for the Lighthouse keeper. The tower and light will remain under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government still serving as an operational light for navigation.

During the formal portion of the meeting president Gillard introduced the three charter members of the Society, Alexina LeClair, Lizzie Ritchie and Doris Gauthier.

Officers for the coming year were selected following presentation of the slate by Nominating Committee Chairwoman, Hazlett Kramer. Floyd Benghauser will serve as president assisted by George Wenye, vice president; Lucille Gillard, Secretary; and Phyllis Bennett, Treasurer. Added to the Board of Directors for two year terms were Yvonne Wilson, Lizzie Ritchie and Kay Lechio.

Secretary Phyllis Bennett reported a current membership of 82 including individual, family, contributing and sponsors.

"One of the problems of this area that bothers me is that we talk of Paul Bunyan, a myth, this is a tragedy because this land was built by the people." declared featured speaker Eric Wessborg of Lost Lake Woods, who delivered a history of the lakes, shipping and the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse.

Emphasizing that the only means of travel was by water when the Lighthouse was built Wessborg suggested that the lake was a virtual "freeway." Both freight and people were carried aboard the ships.

Sturgeon Point was a first class life saving station because it was in an isolated area requiring a full time crew. "The Sturgeon Point Lighthouse is perplexing to me. Most of the Lighthouses built at that time cost $5,000, with two-house stations costing $11,000. The Sturgeon Point Lighthouse cost $15,000. I don't know why it cost so much." said Wessborg.

During discussion on the availability of grants to refurbish the lighthouse, Don Gillard stated, "Due to the administration in Washington cutting grants, our source of money could be coming from large corporations. We must get a use permit from the DNR then we have to apply for grants. We can not apply for grants until we get the Lighthouse and it is accredited as a historical site." Gillard added.

President Lou Gillard expressed the Society's appreciation to the DNR and Cooperative Extension Service for their assistance, and to Society Attorney, Tom Carroll.

Turning to other Society projects President Gillard related, "The Girl Scouts are going to the Bailey School to clean up the yard; they do it every year." Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Meyers, who live near the school will keep the museum open every weekend.

Yvonne Wilson has arranged for an excellent program on June 20 at the Harrisville Grade School when the "SHIPS" organization will present a program of films on Great Lakes Shipwrecks.

Other Historical Society activities pending are the Strawberry Festival at the Bailey School, a County Historical Tour and a picnic at the Lighthouse.

THE ALPENA NEWS
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Tourism outlook 'excellent,' EMTA exec tells Alpena unit

"Offer a good value at a fair price and be pleasant and hospitable."

That's the formula for an excellent business year in Michigan tourism, members of Alpena's fledgling Area Tourist Association were told Thursday night by James Hall, veteran chief executive of the East Michigan Tourist Association (EMTA).

Hall said that traditional early indicators — among them reservations and inquiries at five major travel shows and at the network of AAA offices — point to tourism volume exceeding 1979 and matching 1978.

Gasoline costs are very much on vacationers' minds, said Hall, and that is shortening up trip plans. Field reports on inquiries project a 15 percent drop in distance travel and a 15 percent jump in shorter haul vacation trips. "And that's good for Michigan: 25 million people live within a one-day drive of Alpena," said Hall.

In response to questions Hall said an EMTA staff change would correct failure to contact this area for promotional ads in EMTA's summer tourism booklet (several members called the 50,000-copy book an A-1 tool); Alpena County is one of only six in EMTA's 26-county region whose Board of Commissioners failed to support EMTA financially this year; Sunday sale of package liquor, approved in surrounding counties and up for reconsideration in Alpena County, is desirable from a tourist service standpoint.

EMTA's minimum dues are now $75, said Hall. "We want community-minded people who are already members of their local Chamber of Commerce" (the Area Tourist Association is a division of the Alpena C of C).

Thunder Bay's 26 submerged shipwrecks are a magnet for diving enthusiasts, and Chet Olsen of US-23-S has the first licensed charter boat in Michigan waters equipped to handle parties of amateur divers, the group was told. That aspect is a highly promotable attraction of "Thunder Bay Country," said Hall.

There was a presentation by Howard Lahti, Steelheader Association president, on that group's effort to educate young people on the fishery potential of these waters and the importance of protecting the ecology on which the fishery depends.

Slides showing Cow Island's potential as a nature haven and tourist attraction were projected by John Porter of the County Planning Commission.

In business session, there was discussion of the upcoming Canadian Caper weekend May 15-18, which covers Victoria Day, a Canadian holiday. The activities scheduled here have been promoted in Sault Ste. Marie, Canada.

Other topics were the local tourism unit's "Four Seasons of Fun" booklet due out by the end of May; Fourth of July activities; and the midsummer Brown Trout Festival.

Marilyn Ross presided at the meeting, held at the Big Boy.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
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At first EDC seminar:

Tom Alley stresses importance of tourism

by Dorothy Gheen

Representative Tom Alley (D), met with Alcona County Economic Development Corporation members Thursday and told them "Michigan is in a more serious financial slump than people realize."

Alley spent an hour at the county building Thursday afternoon listening to concerns of residents, toured the EDC log office in Harrisville, had dinner with EDC members in Lincoln and was the keynote speaker at the first EDC sponsored small business seminar Thursday night at Alcona High School.

He cited "a lot of false optimism in this state" and predicted more cuts in October when Governor Milliken's executive orders are handed down. "I see difficulty ahead for senior citizens who have no cost-of-living allowance built into their income," he said, blaming the continued decline of the auto industry for Michigan's economy.

"We have EDC's and IDC's all over up here that are geared to bringing in machine shops and auto-industry related plants, when in fact, the auto industry will never be the important economic factor that it once was in this state," Alley said.

"Here in the north, we're in an unfortunate position, because those high wage earners came up here and bought property at high prices and pushed up property assessments and now we're stuck with them," he continued.

"We've got to diversify the types of industry we're going after with the EDC's," he stressed. "The tourism industry can bring fresh dollars into the area," Alley felt, "but we've got to start by educating our own people that tourism is good and that it hires young people who have trouble finding jobs."

"In Alcona County, where 50% of the residents receives some kind of social welfare, it's imperative that you actively seek out the tourist dollar," Alley told the audience. "Diversification is more important now than at any time in our recent history. While the auto industry made us a great state, it's now a weight on our backs!" he continued.

"We weren't blessed with the development that has hit the west side of the state, and maybe that's good. They're at the point now of being over-developed, with high prices that turn away families on vacation. And the whole Indian gill netting controversy made sports fishermen a lot more aware of the Lake Huron fishery. They're coming this way more than ever," Alley emphasized.

Alley, who is vice chairman of the committee on tourism said he felt "The idea of a county-wide chamber of commerce in Alcona County is a good idea. You've got to coordinate your ideas and ask what your area really needs. Then draw on state resources such as Michigan State University's Cooperative Extension Service to help you pull things together. They have a special department on tourism and there are some excellent people working for them, such as Robert Christie-Mill."

Asked by Ken Trower what the tourism promotion appropriation was this year, Alley said it would be "somewhere between $800,000 and a million dollars." He said that $50,000 of that was earmarked for the Huron Shores Tourism Alliance to continue their program of bringing free lance writers and photographers into the shore area to sample Lake Huron fishing.

Alley, serving his second term in the State House of Representatives, is a member of committees concerned with senior citizens and conservation. "We're trying to separate the environmental protection aspects of the Department of Natural Resources from their traditional role to make better use of the people they have in the field," Alley said. "We expect a bumper crop of deer this fall, and while the new passbook system is having some lack of acceptance in sports, I think that once people get used to it, they'll prefer it over the old system."

Speaking about energy problems, Alley, who heats his West Branch home with wood, said, "I see trailers and pickups loaded with wood going down below every week. People are coming up here and getting permits to cut wood and then they take it downstate and sell it for up to $70 a cord. I predict that regulations for wood cutting permits are going to be beefed up and will probably have higher fees as abuses increase. We may end up with DNR officers in the woods to oversee the cutting."

Following Alley's talk to the fifty people in the audience, Carl Reitz of Alpena spoke of small business accounting methods, safeguards and procedures. Reitz, who owns an accounting firm in Alpena, is a well known financial adviser to small businesses.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
April 21, 1981

No fish story:

Anglers make whopping economic impact

Lake Huron anglers spent more than one million dollars in Alcona County in just 45 days last fall, MSU researcher Scott Jordan told an assembled group Thursday night.

From September 15, 1980 to November 1, 1980, a total of 217 fishermen were interviewed in the Harrisville-Black River area, with close to 21,000 pieces of information gathered from them.

Their estimated expenditures totalled $1,109,862. within the county. Jordan said Harrisville shore anglers spent an average of $16.25 per day, Harrisville boat anglers spent an average of $30.98 per day, and Black River anglers spent an average of $10.70 per day. On the average anglers spent as much at home preparing for the trip and enroute to Alcona County as they did while in the county; $18.42 per day in Alcona County, $9.67 per day at home, and $6.27 per day enroute, the survey indicated.

Based on the basic unit of an "angler day", i.e. an angler day being one angler fishing any part of one day, the gross economic impact was calculated as being:

- Harrisville shore anglers: $234,246.45.
- Harrisville boat anglers: $849,038.66
- Black River anglers: $26,546.70

Of all anglers interviewed, 24% were from out of state. Fishermen from Ohio comprised two thirds of all out of state anglers, while the majority (55%) of in state anglers were from the Detroit, Flint, Saginaw-Bay City corridor counties.

A collective murmur went through the audience as Jordan revealed that 130 to 140 boats per day were launched from the north harbor DNR site. "That was an actual count at the kiosk," Jordan said. "And the boats averaged 3.3 anglers each."

"Ninety-nine percent of the catch at that time of year was salmon," Jordan continued. Of the anglers interviewed, only a few were fishing for steelhead and even less for lake trout. "The catch rate was good," Jordan felt, "averaging ½ fish per angler. Compared with the overall state average, that's very good."

I can't believe we don't have more businessmen here," exclaimed Ralph Mills, "This is a very lucrative fishery."

A major local concern, of fishermen parking in restricted areas and sleeping in places where camping or overnight parking is not allowed, was found to be a very real problem, Jordan indicated. Twenty four percent of the anglers parked on city streets, while nearly six percent of them slept in their vehicles on city streets.

Anglers voiced their need for more parking areas in the city.

An important part of the study was to find out what anglers think about Lake Huron fishing in Alcona County. Asked how they felt their needs were being met by local interests they replied: prices were too high (items cost more than at home); Harrisville needed a 24 hour restaurant, tackle store and gas station; Harrisville needed boat rentals; and they saw a conflict of interest with a local magistrate selling gear for snagging. Besides the need for more parking in the city of Harrisville, almost 10 percent felt that the DNR enforcement of snagging was excessive in the city, while more than seven percent felt that the DNR should enforce snagging even more. Some felt that snagging should be legal in Harrisville and that the DNR should plant more salmon.

"We run into some areas of fishermen snagging through ignorance," Jordan said. "They were from other areas and saw fishermen beside them using different gear and tried it, only to find they were breaking the law." The anglers themselves expressed the need for fishing regulations and descriptions of legal techniques to be posted in conspicuous places around the harbor. They also stressed a need for more launching ramps, more restrooms at Black River, overnight parking near the harbor, felt there was a need for a fishing pier in the harbor and wished that law enforcement was more consistent.

Fred Mongeau, a local tackle store owner and fisherman, spoke of the DNR officers appearing at the harbor. "They should be dressed" he insisted, meaning that they should be in uniform, not working under cover.

The whole snagging question caused a lively exchange between some local fishermen and a DNR law enforcement officer who was present.

Scott Jordan said that while the anglers he talked to were often fishing with legal means during the day, if there was a run of fish at night, those same fishermen were snagging. "They look on it as a risk. They know that if they're caught, they'll pay a fine, but they won't stop coming up here because of that. There was one large group from Ohio and they'll come back because they like to fish here. They like Harrisville, they like the people and they'll come back regardless of the number of fish they get. They're having a good time!"

As some members of the audience tried to draw conclusions based on the data presented, Alcona County Coordinator Donald Williams warned, "This study when concluded will contain only raw data. It's not judgmental. There will be a follow on study which will take this data and try to do something with it. They'll try to apply the data in some practical manner and help decide what to do about it. You might be able to make changes and make decisions after that follow on study is concluded. Right now we're seeing that people like to come here and fish. They're away from home and enjoying themselves and it's quite an economic impact on Alcona County. Those are the only conclusions we should be drawing from these figures."

Jordan said he had made three trips to the area during the interview period and talked with anglers for about 13 days. He said he was grateful for the help from Otis Goodwin and Gus Nussdorfer, who assisted with the survey, which included the Harrisville harbor, the foot of Main Street, the State Park shore and the river mouth at Black River.

"Fishermen who fish at Black River like it the way it is. It's a more natural, less developed spot than Harrisville harbor and they like it for that fact. They don't want the harbor improved or changed," Jordan said.

The survey will continue, with final results being tabulated this September. Surveys to gauge reaction from Harrisville businesses were sent out in February, but only about 25% have been returned, said Jordan. "We need to have them sent back to us. Our results are only as good as the information gathered." Copies may be available to business people who lost theirs, he said, by calling the Extension office in the county building.

MSU RESEARCHER Scott Jordan Photo by Dorothy Gheen

THE ALPENA NEWS
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ONLY FOUR REMAINING ON GREAT LAKES

Lighthouse watchers vanishing breed

By RON KOEHLER

POINT BETSIE (UPI) — Steve Sherman and Niel Martinek are serving the last detail for an era of pirates and merchant sailors, schooners and sun-bleached sails.

They keep watch at Point Betsie Lighthouse, the only manned beacon in Michigan and one of four remaining on the Great Lakes.

Sailors for 125 years — including yachtsmen in the annual Chicago to Mackinac sailboat races — relied on the men at Point Betsie to usher their vessels past Michigan's windiest point and the two "Sleeping Bears" crouching ahead in Lake Michigan.

The sleeping bears — a nickname for the Manitou Islands — and the lighthouse will keep their vigil over the lake. But the jobs of Sherman and Martinek are marked for extinction.

Point Betsie, like the other lighthouses dotting Michigan's shores, soon will be automated — its beam turned on and off electronically each day, with other equipment standing by in the event of a power failure.

Coast Guard officials in Cleveland say Point Betsie and the other remaining manned Great Lakes lighthouses — at Kewaunee and Sturgeon Bay in Wisconsin and Two Rivers in Minnesota — will be automated within 18 months.

The Point Betsie lighthouse is a modest 2 ½-story structure at the head of a white brick building with a sloping, red shingle roof.

It began operation in 1856, equipped with a Fresnel lens from Paris — a unique set of multiple prisms and magnifying glasses framed in solid brass. Its only major transformation in more than a century was replacement of the oil lamp with a 1,000-watt electric bulb.

Sherman and Martinek are resigned to the lighthouse's fate. Martinek, who came to Point Betsie only last year, knew of the impending transformation before he took the assignment.

Sherman applied for lighthouse keeper so he could spend some time with his wife and 10-year-old son. He likely will return to his first love — the sea — when Point Betsie steps into the past.

"I'd like to return to the sea. I spent most of my 13 years in the Coast Guard at sea or on the Great Lakes," he said, staring vacantly at the three- to five-foot waves slamming against a seawall 30 feet off the lighthouse.

Martinek, a Los Angeles native, says the pace is slow at Point Betsie. But he relishes the time he can spend working on his motorcycle and other projects.

He also enjoys the time with his wife and young son. He planned to apply for a transfer to a lighthouse on the West Coast, but discovered on his last trip home that it, too, had been automated.

Sherman admits that the vigil of a lighthouse keeper is a romantic life.

During the long Michigan winters, there are few visitors. But during the summer, the keepers are almost celebrities to the several thousand tourists who travel to Point Betsie to see a small piece of marine memorabilia that is fast slipping into Great Lakes history books.

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Historical Society Eyes Sturgeon Lighthouse

By Janet Watson

During the 111 years of its existence, activity at the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse has peaked and waned - at one time housing not only the personnel for the maintenance of the lighthouse, but also containing on the grounds an entire Coast Guard Life-Saving Station using buildings that have since been razed.

The Alcona Historical Society would like to see the site revitalized by turning the building and grounds into an historical site and recreational area. Two major steps must be taken first - the acquisition of the 30 acres and building from the Department of Natural Resources, and its designation as an official historical site through the State of Michigan Department of History.

According to Eric Wessborg, a board member of the historical society, the designation is a prerequisite for applying for grants to help finance the renovation work needed on the lighthouse, the lighthouse keepers quarters and any additonal construction undertaken on the grounds.

Wessborg mentioned a few plans he would like to see implemented there, such as tours of the facility, and construction of a building to house a maritime museum, (it was his opinion that the keeper's quarters are too small to be used as a museum). He also stated he would prefer to see the quarters returned to habitable condition and offer it as a residence to a state university for a graduate student to pursue such studies as marine history or biology.

While plans for the lighthouse acquisition from the DNR are continuing, the Alcona Historical Society is in the midst of a membership drive. Over the years activities for the society have increased, as has its need for members. As Wessborg indicated, not only are funds essential for the society's projects, so are the personnel to adequately carry them out.

On the society's calendar for 1981 are: an open house at the lighthouse during Michigan Week, the third week in May; a program about Great Lake shipwrecks in Juse presented by the SHIPS organization; the annual Strawberry Festival at the Bailey School and a county historical tour.

The annual meeting of the society will be held at the new Harbor Lights restaurant (formerly the El Dorado) in Harrisville on Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in attending should make reservation by May 4 with Mrs. Gordon Bennet of Black River.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
Tuesday, April 14, 1981

Birds flock to marsh

CHEBOYGAN — The nature attraction that prompted state of Michigan to give Cheboygan a grant to build a boardwalk has already begun at the Cheboygan cattail marsh.

The birds have arrived. University of Michigan biology station researchers have counted 71 species in a season at the marsh, which adjoins the Gordon Turner lakeshore park. The boardwalk, now under construction, will enable people to walk out and look at the bird and animal life that abounds in the marsh.

Right now, the birds are providing an attraction that some people are going to the park to enjoy.

Hundreds of birds can be seen flying in flocks over the marsh, circling, and in a constant din of bird calls and chatter.

A reporter visited the park for several days last week in late afternoon or early evening, just before dark. Birds could be seen flying in large groups around over the marsh, and from time to time one of them dropped down into the marsh, as if picking out a place to nest.

The poles are up for the boardwalk. In the summer a walk out over the marsh will probably be an interesting experience. But the birds are already here and are putting on a show.

THE ALPENA NEWS
April 13, 1981

DNR seeks permit for boat launching ramp at Rockport

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Waterways Division, has applied to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for a permit to dredge and place fill on the lake Huron shoreline in Rockport harbor for construction of a boat launching ramp and parking area.

The launch site is located, according to the application for a permit, "approximately 3.3 miles northeasterly of the intersection of US-23 and Monaghan Point Road near Lakewood," off Rockport Road.

Applications for permits have also been filed with the state's water quality division and the Department of Natural Resources to comply with federal coastal zone management regulations in conjunction with the project.

The applicant proposes to dredge approximately 100 cubic yards of clay in site preparation, and construct a 36 x 60-foot pre-cast concrete plank boat ramp.

Other phases of the work, as detailed in the application, will include:

...Placing dredged material upland on-site with no return to any waterway andor wetland.

...Placing aproximately 47 cubic yards of 4-A stone and an additional 45 cubic yards of riprap prior to installation of the concrete planks.

...Installing a 30-foot skid pier to complete the facility.

As part of the project, two corrugated metal pipe culverts with invert elevations of 582.0 feet on International Great Lakes Datum will be installed to prevent flooding.

Interested parties and agencies desiring to express their views concerning the proposed project may do so by filing their comments in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., 20 days from issuance of the notice. The notice is dated April 8, 1981.

Objections or views related to state water quality certification should be addressed to: State of Michigan, Water Quality Division, Stevens T. Mason Building, Lansing 48926.

Comments other than certification should be filed with the District Engineer, Detroit District, Corps of Engineers, P.O. Box 1027, Detroit 48231; or Michigan Department of Resources, Land Resources Program Division, P.O. Box 30023, Lansing 48909.

The corps and the DNR will exchange comments after closing of the 20-day response to period.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
April 7, 1981

DNR issues use permit:

Alcona Historical Society plans museum at Sturgeon Point Lighthouse site

With the opening of the navigation season in 1870, Perley Silverthorn lit the first kerosene lamp, placed it inside of the huge lens sixty-nine feet above the ground, and the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse became operational.

For 111 years, the light has guided mariners safely around the rockgirt reef which juts into Lake Huron for one and a half miles. The easternmost point of land along the shore from Saginaw Bay to the Straits of Mackinac, the reef was an acute menace to mariners plying small craft in the coastal waters during the days of sail.

As the navigation season gets underway this year, the Alcona Historical Society will begin a stewardship of the lighthouse which they hope will result in its being turned into a museum.

Actually, only the lightkeepers quarters are included in the use permit issued by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, as the light tower itself is still under federal jurisdiction, being an operational light for navigation.

According to the society president Lucille Gillard, an extensive membership drive will be underway later this month to recruit support for the work done by the Alcona Historical Society, which now operates Bailey School, an authentic log school near Mikado. "We're asking anyone who has friends or relatives that might want to help us restore the lighthouse to come forth and join our effort," said Mrs. Gillard. "We need financial support, we need people who are willing to help do the physical work involved and we need aid in locating antiques of the period for furnishings when we reach that stage of development."

Local historian Doris Gauthier, whose book on the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse is being published by the Alcona County Review, writes of the light itself: "The lantern was made by Henry LePakte, of Paris, France, and had been used in the lighthouse at Oswego, New York. It was attached to a cast iron base, bolted to the lantern floor. A fixed white light was installed which contained two wicks. The outside wick had a diameter of 1 and 7/8 inches and the inside wick a diameter of 1 and 1/16 inches. These wicks were set in the lantern, which was a series of prisms and lenses. There were eight prisms in the central drum of lens. These wicks, lighted by kerosene, set in the lantern thrust the light sixteen miles out into Lake Huron."

Many tragedies occurred within the sweep of that beam. In the second year of its existence the schooner Neshoto, waterlogged from the beating of a Nor-easter, dove beneath the waves some two miles out carrying five of her crew to their grave.

In August, 1880, one of the worst disasters of Lake Huron history came about when the Steamer Marine City, coming out from the lumber port of Alcona, burned and sank with more than a dozen passengers lost.

In 1876 a Life Saving Station was built near the lighthouse and Perley Silverthorn assumed command of the Life Saving Station and remained in charge until 1881. The original log of Keeper Silverthorn was owned by "Peck" Prescott, an early publisher of the Alcona County Herald, whose father was a member of the Life Saving Service in Sand Beach, Michigan.

An excerpt from that log shows that on Wednesday, September 5, 1877, there was a "Fresh breeze NW. Seven steamers passed going North and six going South. Nine schooners passed going North and six going South."

In his Historical Tales of the Huron Shores Region, Prescott recreates those days: "For those who can recall the early days of the present century along the Huron Shore, it will not be hard to visualize the white sails of the schooners standing out against the blue of the waters and skies; those South-bound traveling at a lively gait with all sails pulling on a fair breeze; those North bound sailing closehauled or standing in and out as they tack against the wind. The small steambarges with wood smoke and steam pouring from the stacks on the high after-deck; those before the wind aided by a sail pulling from a short mast for'ard, and traveling slowly but steadily, regardless of wind direction.

Some three miles North of the Point, docks at the little town of Alcona extended out into the lake. Southward the docks at Harrisville and those at Springport, both lumber centers, were busy spots and ports of call. Alcona and Springport are now ghost towns.

With small wooden boats, predominantly sail, hugging the shoreline up and down the lake, wrecks were numberous and the Life Saving crew at the Point was called frequently to man the small oar-propelled lifeboat and go to the assistance of vessels in distress, and sometimes, th much less often, drag their sti smaller surfboat with a team to a spot on the beach, shoot a line across a wreck and bring ashor a hapless crew in a breeche buoy.

But steam supplanted sail, huge steel steamers, able t brave storms which sent smalle craft scurrying to cover or left their bones rotting on the beach, supplanted the small steam barges and wooden schooners.

Came large gasoline-powered lifeboats, with a range undreamed of in the handpowe days, telephone and radio com munication; and with their coming disappeared the need of life saving crews stationed at shor intervals at danger points alon the shore, and the closing of many of the stations, among them Sturgeon Point, was de creed.

Crews in early days were recruited from among fishermen and sailors. Rules and disciplin were flexible and the lifesavin crews did pretty much as they pleased except when bad weather threatened."

Originally painted yellow, sa the records, the pristine building is in excellent condition today thanks to the continuing caref care given by the Harrisvill State Park manager Bill Skrobak and his crew. When the roof needed replacing in November 1979, they replaced it laborious with cedar shake shingles, to keep its character and integrity intact.

Doris Gauthier ends her boo with the following paragraphs: "Now it stands majestically and tall in quiet solitude watching t swimmers, sunbathers and pi

nickers on the beaches. It can only watch the freight trains moving daily on the D&M carrying freight that was once carried on the lake. It watches the hurried pace of the traffic moving on US-23, a few miles west so different than the earlier traffic. The only thing left to move on her lake, is an occasional freighter and the pleasure boats.

One standing nearby listening to the gentle breezes or the wild winds can almost hear her pleading the words of a song *"This little light of mine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine."*

STURGEON POINT LIGHTHOUSE today. — Photo by Dorothy Gheen

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AS THE LIGHTHOUSE and life saving station appeared when it was fully operational. —Photo courtesy of Doris Gauthier

THE ALPENA NEWS
April 3, 1981

Marine antiques going to ACC's historic shrine

From a watery grave in Thunder Bay to a temporary resting place beside the Forestry Building at Alpena Community College — that's the recent history of a 2,000-lb anchor and a 1,000-lb. rudder from a long sunken vessel.

It took a two and one-half year effort by the Thunder Bay River Association plus lots of assorted help to get these marine relics, probably from a lumber schooner, into position for eventual enshrinement in Alpena not far from where the vessel last sailed.

It'll be a while yet: first come cleanup and careful procedures for preservation of these largely wooden artifacts.

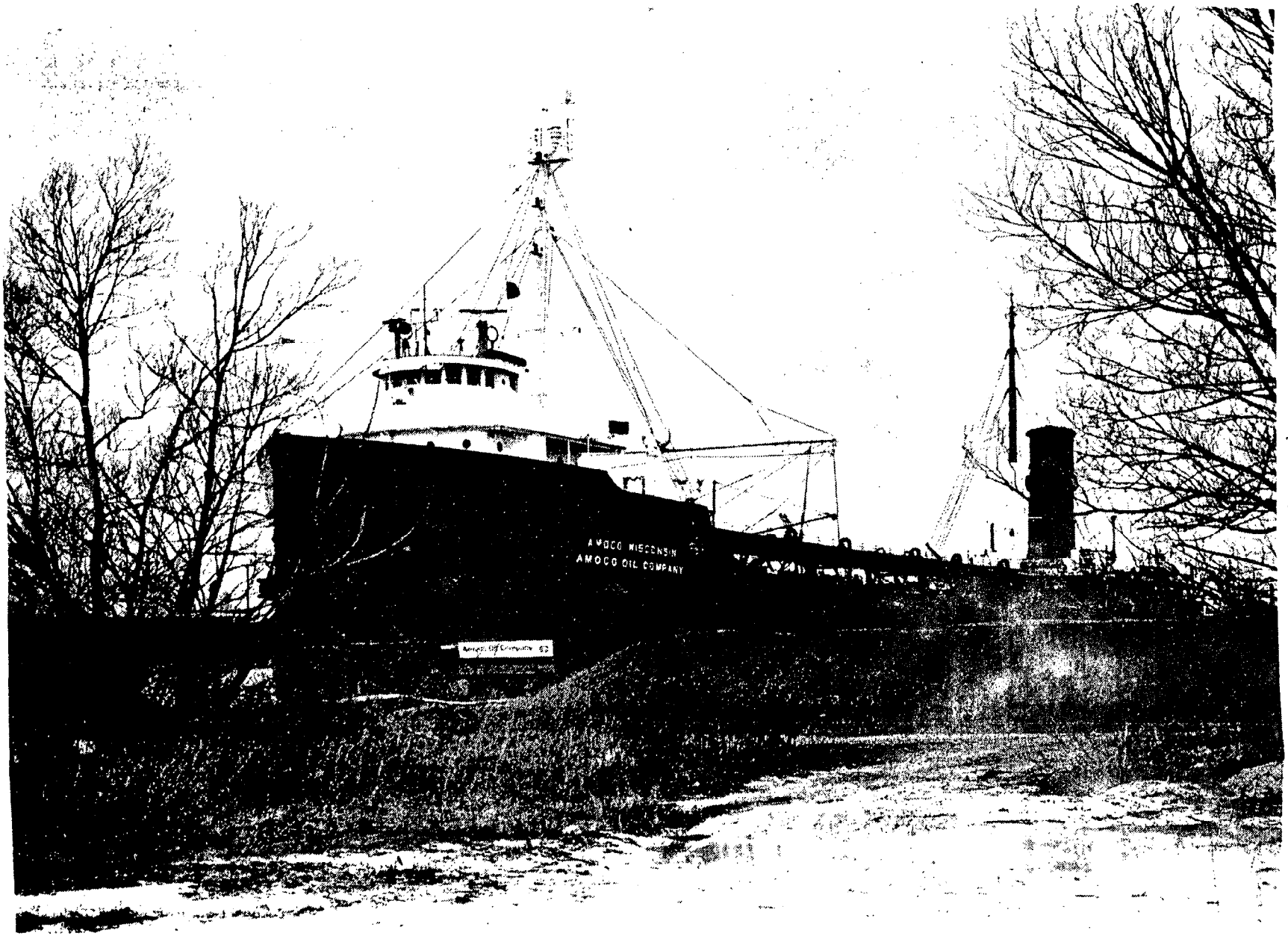
Eventually, permanent placement will be made along the BiPath on the Community College campus, between Van Lare Hall and the Michigan historical marker overlooking Thunder Bay River just to the east.

This area has been dedicated as a permanent historical park: a cooperative effort of the Thunder Bay River Association, Jesse Besser Museum and Community College. There young and old will be able to view the antique wooden anchor and rudder from an unknown ship of another century. Imaginations will wander to the days when 19th century Great Lakes vessels were the main means of transportation – a time when the waterways were "it" for travel and movement of food, supplies and products.

Other historic and picturesque items will be added. And the site is beside a river once choked mith mighty pine logs, a river on whose banks stood sawmills that turned out lumber which helped to build a nation.

Not only are the antique anchor and rudder evocative of rhe past and of the evolution in modes of transport, the saga of their arrival on the college campus bespeaks the interrelationships required to make good things happen these days on a voluntary basis. Here's a roster of names and organizations involved:

Dick Piper was the salvage diver who brought the relics to the surface in 1978. Ruby Rogers of the Michigan Historical Commission staff authorized placing the items in Community College custody Bill Hayes and Dick Sevner of the Department of Natural Resources made loading arrangements at DNR facilities in Gaylord. Paul DeBruhl and Larry Manier of Abitibi-Price provided a flatbed truck for hauling. Al Bakalarski, city administrative aide, saw to unloading arrangements here Dale Ilsley, ACC building and grounds director, will carry through on preservation and enshrinement Coordinators are Verne Nethercut and Jim Rau, present and past heads of the River Association. Museum Director Dennis Bodem and ACC President Charles Donnelly.



TANKER RETURNS -- The tanker Wisconsin arrived Wednesday afternoon at the Amoco fuel terminal in Cheboygan and offloaded 32,000 gallons of gasoline. The ship came here from Sault Ste. Marie, where it delivered a 14,000 barrel cargo. The Wisconsin made the trip unassisted. This was third time since first of the year that the Wisconsin has been here. On previous trips it has had Coast Guard icebreaker assistance, but did not require help this time. The Wisconsin left at 1:50 this morning to return to Whiting Indiana Refinery, near Chicago. The Amoco terminal in Cheboygan, of which Bob Allbrecht is manager, supplies Standard Oil products for an area from St. Ignace south to the Charlevoix-Alpena line.

(Tribune photo by John Charles Robbins)

THE ALPENA NEWS
March 27, 1981

Underwater preserve approval due this summer

By PETE KAROLY

LANSING — The concept of an underwater preserve in Thunder Bay, which was originally expected to become a reality in May or early June, has not run into any snags in the lengthy bureaucratic process but will probably be delayed until later in the summer, according to Department of Natural Resources officials.

DNR officials in Lansing said Thursday the Thunder Bay preserve proposal was approved by a senate joint committee this week and returned to a DNR committee for review, but it was submitted too late to be placed on the April agenda.

The DNR committee is expected to act on the proposal at their May meeting and, if there are no problems with it, send it on to the governor for his signature. The signed proposal would then be submitted to the secretary of state for filing.

The entire process is expected to take at least four months with a portion of Thunder Bay then being set aside by law as an underwater preserve sometime in July.

Thunder Bay is one of several areas in the state being proposed as Great Lakes underwater preserves by the DNR. A 1980 law requires the DNR to establish great lakes bottomlands preserves in waters that have recreational or historical value. The new act prohibits the random salvaging of shipwrecks and now requires divers to obtain permits from the DNR to salvage abandoned property and provides for a misdemeanor penalty for those caught salvaging without a permit.

Bruce Andrews, chairman of the DNR's Underwater Salvage Committee and a member of the DNR law enforcement division, was in Alpena twice this fall to explain the law and the concept of an underwater preserve. Andrews said the intent of the law was not to build underwater parks in areas around the state, but to designate them as preserves and leave them as they are. By naming the area as a preserve, according to Andrews, the DNR was merely saying the area was of some interest and requiring that permits be obtained before salvaging could take place.

The DNR is required by the law to designate a total area not more than five percent of the total bottomlands area in the state as underwater preserves. The Thunder Bay preserve would occupy about 14 percent of that five percent total.

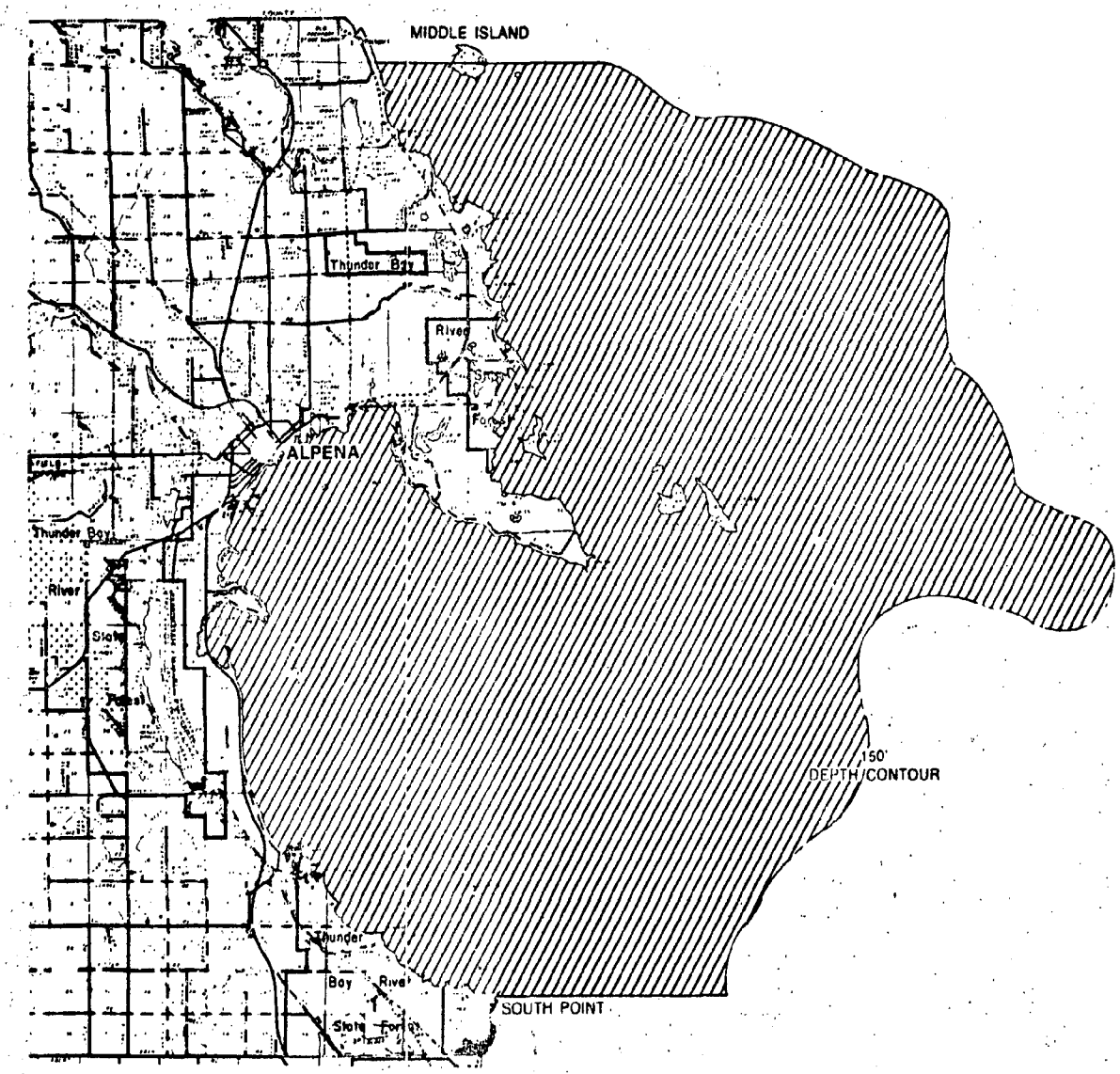
The proposed Thunder Bay preserve would take in approximately 288 square miles with the boundaries extending from Middle Island south to South Point, extending into the bay to a depth of 150 feet.

The Alpena County Planning Commission endorsed a resolution supporting the concept of an underwater preserve in Thunder Bay last fall and an ad hoc committee was formed of local citizens to make recommendations concerning the establishment of an underwater preserve.

Jim Hane of the DNR Park Division said 26 verified shipwrecks would be included in the Thunder Bay preserve with another 57 possible but not verified wrecks also included. The remains of the Pewabic, one of the 10 worst disasters on the Great Lakes, lies in about 170 feet of water and would be outside the boundaries of the preserve.

Hane said it was unlikely, considering the present financial problems being encountered by the state, that the proposed Thunder Bay preserve would be further developed into an underwater park. He indicated it was possible private sources could be used to finance a park, but added it was unlikely the state would become involved in such a project in the near future.

The DNR has primarily been looking at Thunder Bay and Munising Bay in the Upper Peninsula as locations for underwater preserves. Other areas under consideration are Whitefish Bay near Sault Ste. Marie; Keewenaw Point near Copper Harbor; the Mackinac Straits; the Beaver Island area; the Manitou Island area; Point Aux Barques near Port Austin; the Port Sanilac area; the St. Joseph area; and the Muskegon area.



BOUNDARIES OF PROPOSED PRESERVE — The boundaries of the proposed Thunder Bay underwater preserve, which is expected to go into effect sometime in July, will stretch from Middle Island south to South Point and extend to a depth of 150 feet. The underwater preserve will include approximately 288 square miles of bottomlands with at least 26 and possibly as many as 83 shipwrecks within its boundaries.

THE ALPENA NEWS
March 27, 1981

Harbor work will get started this spring

Signing of an agreement this week with the Department of Natural Resources paves the way for repair of the crumbling breakwall that protects the entrance to Alpena's small boat harbor to get under way this spring.

Under terms of the contract, the DNR will provide half the funds needed for the estimated $60,000 project.

Project plans and grant application were drafted by R.S. Scott Associates.

Notice has been posted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District, that application for permission to undertake the project has been filed with the Corps.

According to the permit application, the work will involve installation of 600 cubic yards of 5-ton, precast concrete blocks along the face of the existing boat harbor breakwater. Approximately 50 cubic yards of material will be dredged in site preparation. All dredged material will be disposed of on the existing structure.

Purpose of the work is to afford riprap shore protection, according to the Corps report.

City Manager James Burch said the concrete blocks are being cast and will be installed by a crane when the project is given final approval.

The city's harbor advisory committee installed several of the 5-ton concrete blocks along the breakwall last year.

The Corps' notice invites comments on the proposed work from interested agencies (in writing), to be posted no later than 20 days from the date of issuance of the notice which is dated March 18

PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY ADVANCE
March 26, 1981

Self-unloading gear going on more ships

Boat watchers around the Great Lakes may be momentarily confused next year when three well-known U.S. Steel ore vessels appear on the horizon with new silhouettes.

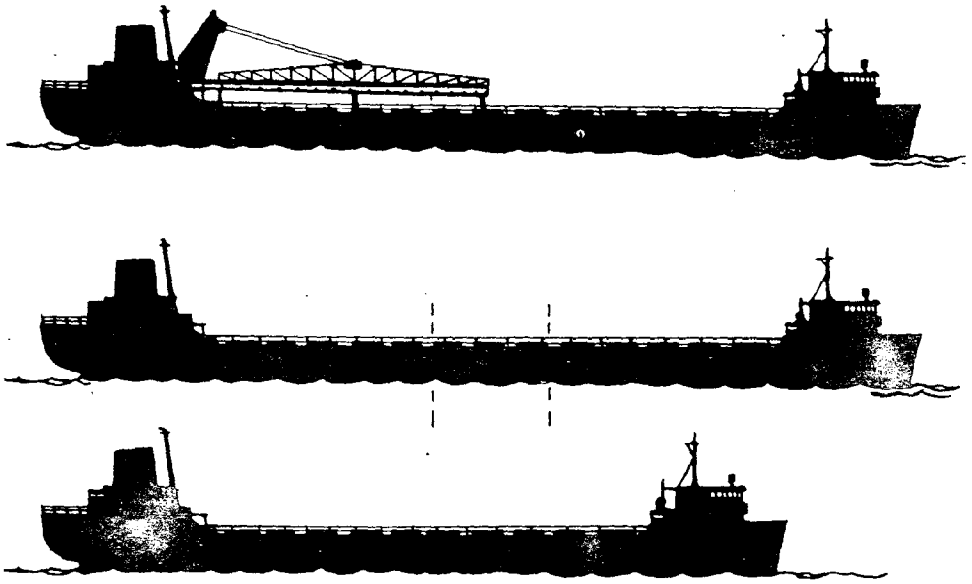
Robert D. Goldbach, vice president - shipping for U.S. Steel's resource development group, announced that the Steamers Cason J. Callaway, Arthur M. Anderson and Philip R. Clarke will be outfitted with topside self-unloading gear for use during the 1982 sailing season. Fraser Shipyard, Inc. in Superior, Wis. will perform the conversion on the three ore vessels.

According to Goldbach, when the boats were launched in 1952 they were 647 feet long with a cargo capacity of about 19,700 long tons. Each was lengthened to 767 feet in the mid-1970's, which increased their trip capacity to 26,500 long tons.

"Our first improvement in productivity for these vessels was the 120 foot lengthening and increased liftability. The addition of the self-unloading equipment will further improve the boats' productivity by decreasing turnaround time at the unloading docks," Goldbach said. Currently, the ore freighters are unloaded by dockside equipment in approximately 17 hours. Fitted with new self-unloading equipment, the cargo can be discharged in five hours.

"Additionally, these self-unloading modifications will afford U.S. Steel the added flexibility of scheduling the more efficient Callaway, Anderson and Clarke into any and all U.S. Steel discharge ports," Goldbach noted.

Included in the modification plans are the installation of a hopper-type arrangement in each cargo hold, a belt conveying system under the hoppers and a deck-mounted 250-foot boom to transport the cargo to shoreside facilities. In addition, increased generating capacity will be added to the boats to accommodate the extra power needs of the self-unloaders.



EVOLUTION OF A GREAT LAKES BOAT — The changing silhouette of the AAA Class U.S. Steel vessels is illustrated here. The AAA sister ships Cason J. Callaway, Arthur M. Anderson and Philip R. Clarke have loomed longer and larger since being launched as 647-foot straight deckers (bottom). A 120-foot lenghtening in the mid-70's stretched them and added substantial cargo capacity. The top profile is how the ships will look in 1982 after being converted to self-unloaders with 250-foot topside booms.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
March 25, 1981

Wawatam named state historic site

The Chief Wawatam made a historic site following a request by the Mackinaw City Village Council, made through the village president Ron Wallin.

The train ferry is in its 70th year of operation, carrying railroad freight cars between Mackinaw City and St. Ignace, as a vital link in the Michigan transportation system.

Some of the history of the ship was furnished to the Tribune by Frances Burgtorf of Topinabee, who in 1976 published a book about the vessel, entitled, "Chief Wawatam, the Story of a Hand Bomber." She worked on the book for five years, taking interviews and pictures, preparing the information, and seeing it through the printing process.

The Chief Wawatam, she said, is unique because it is the last hand fired coal burner on the Great Lakes.

The ship was built at Toledo and came to the Straits in 1911. It is an icebreaking ship. In the winter when state auto ferries could not operate, the "Chief" carried autos also.

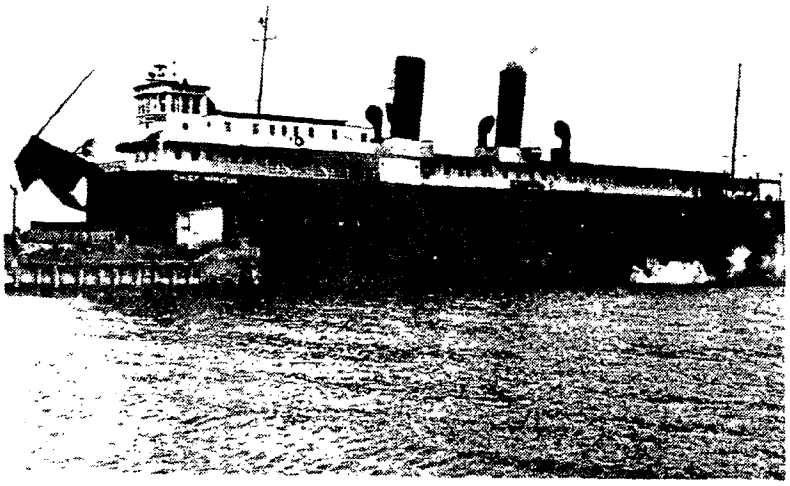
With four tracks aboard, it originally could carry 26 freight cars of the 36 foot length. As cars through the years were made longer, the carrying capacity of the ship decreased. Mrs. Burgtorf said it now can carry about 16 50-footers.

At the start when running around the clock, it had a crew of 54 living aboard and working watches.

Captain Roderick Graham now has a roster of 30, with 17 on watch when the ship is on a run.

The Chief Wawatam is 333 feet, 8 inches long, 62 feet wide, and 2,990 gross tons. It is driven by two stern propellers and has one forward propeller, used when in icebreaking.

Mackinaw City people interested in continued operation of the ship were jubilant that the ferry has been designated a historic site. This was seen as a step toward preserving the ship for the future.



CHIEF WAWATAM

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
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PILINGS COMPLETED — Pilings that will support the boardwalk being built into the cattail marsh at Gordon Turner Park have been completed and the next step in the project will be to let bids on the deck work. The pilings follow the shore of the marsh for several feet and then swing left into the marsh where at the end will be a viewing platform. City Councilman Jim Muschell said that bids will be let in about a week and he expects the entire project to be done sometime in May.

(Tribune photo by Mark Pruchnicki).

Oil & Gas News
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Transportation

PSC releases impact study for pipeline extension

LANSING—The Michigan Public Service Commission has completed a study on the impact of an extension of the "wet header" pipeline system into the northeast portion of the Niagaran Trend.

Entitled "Future Pipeline Development in the Northeast Michigan Coastal Zone and Niagaran Trend: A Regional Analysis of Environmental Resources and Land Use," the 100-page report examines the environmental resources and land use in portions of Otsego, Cheboygan, Montmorency and Presque Isle counties.

According to George Carpenter, environmental specialist, PSC, the report was prepared in anticipation of an application for construction of an extension to the western "wetheader" pipeline and possibly the crude oil gathering system into the northeastern Niagaran Trend. "It's purpose is to serve as a planning tool for both the industry and PSC," Carpenter notes.

The report says that as of late 1980, 24 producible wells remain shut-in awaiting pipeline connection in the Northeast Trend area due to the Department of Natural Resources "no-flare" order covering wells drilled in the fairway.

The main objective of the report was not to propose a pipeline route, design or choose alternative routes, but to highlight areas of anticipated sensitivity which need closer evaluation if a proposed pipeline route enters these areas.

Stated objectives were (1) establish a current natural resource and land use inventory of the study area; (2) rate the sensitivity of given land units to potential disturbance caused by hydrocarbon pipeline activities; (3) identify the sensitive or critical ecosystems in the study area; and (4) recommend tools for evaluation of the environmental compatibility of future pipeline corridors.

Funded by the Coastal Energy Impact Program (CEIP), the report concluded that the reduction of environmental impact can best be accomplished during both the route selection and construction phase of a pipeline project. The report recommends 16 techniques for route selection and construction including: the least amount of land possible should be committed to pipeline use; environmentally sensitive areas should be avoided whenever possible; existing rights-of-way should be utilized whenever environmentally and economically prudent; wet lands should be avoided; and an active off-road vehicle control program should be instituted, especially in areas where secondary damage to rights-of-way is anticipated.

The study suggests that when planning a pipeline corridor for the northeast area the regional analysis presented in the report should be a major first step in the process. Once a tentative corridor has been identified utilizing the regional analysis, resource features lying within the corridor which may need further study can be located, according to the report.

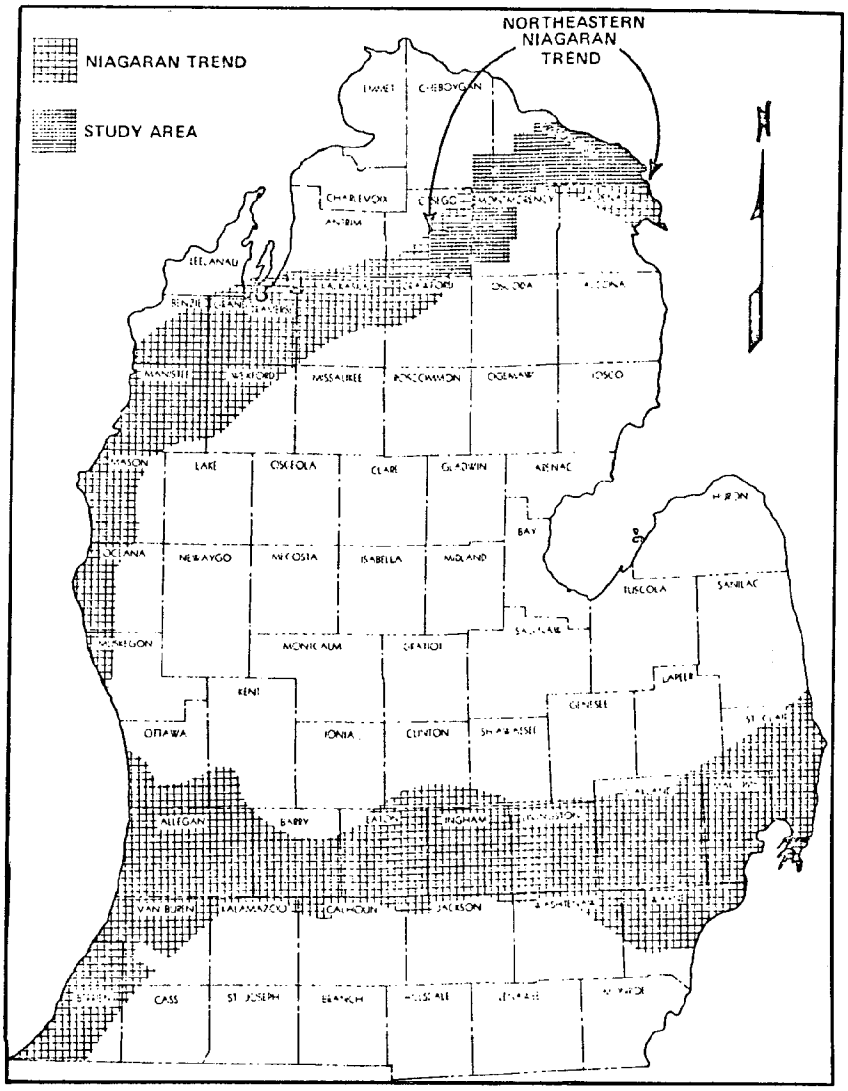
The report explains that with effective corridor planning, the entire route may not need detailed study. Only those more sensitive features which could not be avoided would be examined.

As a first evaluation of the proposed corridor the study suggests Department of Natural Resources aerial photographs could be utilized to corroborate the location of sensitive areas identified in the regional study. The report goes on to note that, depending on the quality of information obtained, a low altitude photography mission may be required to obtain the necessary detail. This detail, the study explains, will allow more precise identification and mapping of vegetation and current land use as well as specific features requiring avoidance.

The study then suggests that the resource elements and their sensitivity ratings used in the regional study be used again to develop a rating for the entire corridor. At this level, the report notes, identification of a single element may require corridor relocation. For example, sighting of an active bald eagle nesting site could be such a cause, according to the study.

Another rating tool available which might be adapted to the corridor level analysis, according to the report, is a land use trend analysis such as NUROP (numerical rating of parameters) system which can be used to detect land use and wildlife habitat changes and their value.

The final suggestion for pipeline planning and route selection notes that to ensure endangered and threatened or other desirable species which could be irrevocably affected by right-of-way construction are identified, systemic sampling of likely areas could be carried out.



MAP included in PSC pipeline corridor report shows Niagaran trend areas in north and south portions of the Lower Peninsula, and isolates specific area treated in the document (dark cross-hatching).

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PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY ADVANCE
March 19, 1981

Hammond Bay station may be expanded

The United States Interior Department's Fish and Wildlife Service Hammond Bay Biological Station may be expanded.

According to station director, Louis King, expansion plans are "strictly in the talking stage." He said there has been discussion about developing a fisheries research laboratory at Hammond Bay.

King said there is a large Interior Department laboratory in Ann Arbor, but that facility has problems with its water system. He said some scientists would like to see a lab established near a good, clean water supply, such as can be found in upper Lake Huron.

If built, the new lab would do research into coldwater fish species such as lake trout to try to find out what is inhibiting reproduction of the species. The basic productivity of the water would also be examined.

The Hammond Bay Biological Station was established to research and control the sea lamprey in the Great Lakes.

ALCONA COUNTY HERALD
March 18, 1981

Huron Shores Endorses County Wide Chamber

By Janet Watson

The Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce is reconsidering the concept of a county-wide chamber. Learning that the Alcona County Planning Commission had appointed one of its members to investigate this possibility, the Huron Shores group decided to put out feelers for response within the county on this issue. At its meeting on March 12, members agreed that the Huron Shores Chamber of Commerce should not encompass the county, but rather, each region that wanted to should have its own chamber within a network of chambers that the Huron Shores would help coordinate. The chamber decided to invite to its next meeting on April 8, anyone in the county who would be interested in helping to develop some type of a countywide chamber of commerce.

The president of the Greenbush Chamber of Commerce, Ray Spencer, was present at the meeting. He and other Greenbush businessmen discussed with the chamber the problems of present day economics in North East Michigan and of utilizing funds to maximize area promotion. Spencer stated that his group had, "$1200 in its treasury, and we want to spend it for the betterment of the area and businesses." He told of the plans his group had to put out a publication about the Greenbush area, but said he thought a coalition with Huron Shores and its media coverage would be a more effective use of resources. This was the recommendation that Spencer said he plans to make to his 150 member group, which also includes residents. (The Huron Shores Chamber Currently has 17 members, exclusively businesses along the Lake Huron Shoreline.)

In a letter addressed to the DNR, the chamber made the request that, "Because of the loss of revenue from tourism," the DNR designate one side of the harbor for "Liberalized fishing" for salmon fishing from September 15 to October 31. A delegation of Chamber members had planned to go to Lansing Thursday, March 13, to appear before the DNR Commission to further explain the request for the policy change.

Preparations are being made by a chamber committee for the annual Lake Trout Fishing Tournaments. Ross Arseneau announced that this year the initial tournament would be longer in duration: from April 3-May 2. Last year's event was for only 10 days. There will be additional tournaments on the weekends of May 23, June 6, June 20, and July 7 with a "Super Tournament" on July 14. All six of these will have a 100% payback: 50% for 1st place, 25% for 2nd, 15% for 3rd, and 10% for 4th. The entry fee will be $5 for all contests except the one for the super tournament which hasn't been established yet.

Other events on the chamber calendar that were covered at the meeting were the fireworks on the 4th of July and the Summer Sidewalk Sale. Projecting increased cost for the fireworks, the chamber may be asking other organizations within the county for contributions toward the total cost.

Better use and appearance of the log cabin at he light in Harrisville, currently leased by the Alcona County Economic Development Corporation, was discussed. The building is slated for an energy audit by NEMCSA. The chamber would like to have the exterior of the cabin be returned to its original finish; however, it was conceeded that it would be difficult to find employees to do the work, now that CETA is being phased out.

President Richard Sella related a conversation he had with members of the Army Corps of Engineers on the topic of the Harrisville Harbor improvements. Because of the conflicting information he received on the funds available and the timetable for the project's completion, the chamber decided to ask Donald Williams, in his capacity of coordinator with the Planning Commission, to write a letter to the Corps of Engineers, "To find out if we can be put on the line item budget for harbor improvements."

A publicity item for some businesses in Arenac, Iosco, and Alcona Counties was circulated at the meeting: a "Metro Book" for a proposed $15 cost containing $750 worth of coupons redeemable with participating merchants.

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New Softball Diamond For Alcona Park

In other business the Parks and Recreation Board:

*was informed by Houghton that he has sent in the application for a grant through Coastal Management for the Harrisville Recreation Area which had been made out by Lew Steinbrecher of NEMCOG. The grant is for $17,800 with an "in kind" match of 20%.

*learned that the request for $4640 in revenue sharing money for the Harrisville Recreation Area was denied by the County Board of Commissioners.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
March 18, 1981

Grass Bay returns to limelight

CHEBOYGAN - Cheboygan is in the limelight this year as state-wide attention turns to the 80 acre Grass Bay nature wonderland east of Cheboygan.

The Federated Gardens Clubs of Michigan are raising $50,000 to repay the purchase price, which was advanced by the Nature Conservancy to buy the property last October and make it a Nature preserve.

The Federation will be 50 years old on June 30. It has selected the Cheboygan Grass Bay project to commemorate golden anniversary of its founding.

The Grass Bay preserve has 250 kinds of plants, including 25 species of orchids. Of Michigan's 13 kinds of pine trees, 11 are represented there.

The preserve is reached from US 23, five miles east of Cheboygan. Visitors will descend a steep bluff, which 5,000 years ago was the shoreline of the Nipissing Great Lakes. As they continue along the footpath, they will cross old beach ridges and dunes of the primeval lake. Along the way they will find myriads of wildflowers and see a cedar swamp, a marshy pond, a clear cool stream, a grassy meadow, and 50 acres of pine woodland before reaching the shores of Lake ~~Michigan.~~ Huron.

When the money is paid to the Nature Conservancy, the Grass Bay tract will be the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan's gift to the state to always be administered as a nature preserve. In this way it will be protected from residential development, and will be a place of joy to nature lovers for generations to come.

The Seedums Garden Club of Cheboygan takes a role in the Grass Bay Project. Mrs. Sue (Don) McKinnon of the Seedums has volunteered to be the chairperson of the Grass Bay Stewardship Committee. The members, most of whom volunteered are: Henry Caulkins, Richard & Dorothy Fuelling, Mary Kavanaugh, James Keighley, Don and Sue McKinnon, and Walter and Doris Patee.

Since the Nature Conservancy is a non-profit organization, it depends entirely on donations. Anyone may contribute - private individuals, garden clubs, corporations and businesses, and contributions are tax deductible. The address is: The Nature Conservancy Michigan Field Office, 531 N. Clippert St., Lansing, Michigan, 48912.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
March 17, 1981

Becker announces retirement in Dec. from Alcona County Park at Glennie

by Marion Tartaglia

John Becker said he intended to retire as manager of the Alcona County Park in Glennie at the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting Thursday night.

Becker, who became manager of the 470 campsite park when it was first licensed by the State in 1972, has retained that position continuously since that time, and will retire at the end of his current contract on December 31, 1981.

The position opening will be posted state-wide in an attempt to attract someone with previous training in Park management. A temporary position of Assistant Park Manager will be created in May or June to be occupied by the future park manager so that he may have on-the-job training from Becker and be ready to assume duties on Jan. 1, 1982.

The commission discussed the advisability of submitting the grant application prepared by Lew Steinbrecher of NEMCOG for a $17,800 coastal management grant for the Harrisville Recreation Area. Chairman Houghton observed, "This grant would require a 20% match and at this point we have zero money to match any grant."

Commission members decided to request the grant, indicating that when and if it is received they can refuse it if there are no matching funds available. When member Mary Lou Webb inquired if this would affect the Park & Rec's chances of receiving future grants, she was assured it could have an adverse effect when new grants are applied for.

"I was very disappointed that the funds requested from Revenue Sharing for the Harrisville Recreation Area were not allotted." remarked John Grzeskowiak, when reporting progress at the Harrisvile park. The commission had requested $4,640 to fund further construction at that site.

The board voted unanimously in favor of constructing a $3750 softball diamond in the East side primitive section of the Alcona County Park.

Following a study of the area, John Grzeskowiak and Edward Bartos determined that it would be feasible to construct a softball diamond at the location designated for a ball diamond in the original engineering plans for that section of the park.

A new entrance to the east side primitive section, as well as a new road through the center are also under study. The present road follows the shoreline, occupying precious beach area which would be freed by the new road for more fulfilling use by park residents. The proposed road would not disturb in any way the primitiveness of the area but would provide additional parking sites.

Grzeskowiak and Bartos will study the entrance area and provide a plan at the next Park & Rec. meeting.

Turning to other business, the board directed manager Becker to contact the operators of the Mio park again to obtain additional information on the coin operated showers in use at that site with a view to using this type of shower in Alcona Park.

Finding revenues down for the month of February as compared with last February, member Don Gillard suggested, "We should review the budget and make the comparables. If the revenues are not there in the summer and you have built this entrance and ball diamond we will realize a problem."

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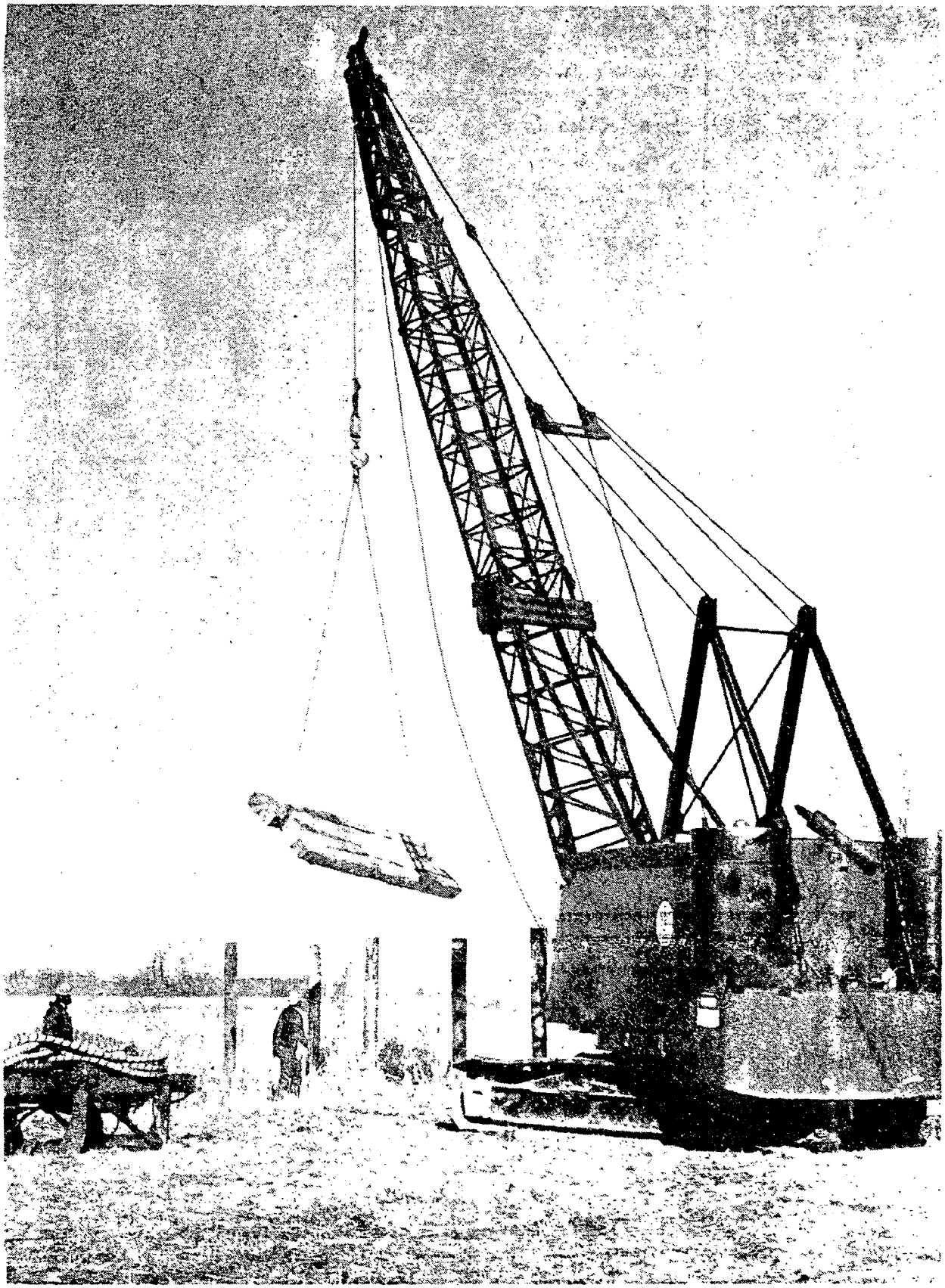


BOARDWALK CONSTRUCTION BEGINS— Durocher Dock and Dredge began work early this morning putting in the huge 30 to 50 foot poles which will support a boardwalk through Cheboygan's cattail marsh. If the weather is good to them, Durocher may have the pilings in by the end of the week. Sheets of docking are put out on the ice to allow the crew and machinery to make their way through the marsh. Later, after the pilings are in, the deck and observation platforms will be put on, enabling persons to walk out into the marsh and observe animals and fish in their natural habitat and also view a great portion of the Straits.

Tribune photo by Mark Pruchnicki.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
March 5, 1981

Boardwalk revived

CHEBOYGAN - Cheboygan City Council voted last night in a special meeting to begin work on the boardwalk through Cheboygan's cattail marsh, reversing an early decision, and also approved bids for the piling on the boardwalk and installation.

The project was supposedly shelved indefinitely February 24 at the regular council meeting, after a $25,000 projected city budget deficit was announced. Manager Steve Wright said funding for the boardwalk was uncertain and costs were climbing.

Wright said today that the Department of Natural Resources has confirmed a grant paying 80 percent of the $35,000 project cost while the city will pick up the other 20 percent.

The city had applied for a $160,000 grant for the project, but the DNR split the grant into two parts; one for the actual boardwalk with a 80-20 percent grant and the other landscaping and construction of picnic areas around the boardwalk which would be funded with a matching 50-50 grant.

Wright said the grant uncertainty fell upon the landscaping portion of the project because the Upper Great Lakes Regional Commission gave no indication as to whether they would be able to help the city with their 50 percent portion of the grant. That uncertainty has not been resolved, but the DNR funded part of the project will go ahead.

Wright said now that the grant confusion has been settled, the project will go ahead at least in the area of the boardwalk and he expects the project to start in about a week.

"We must start the project right away, before the marsh begins to thaw and washes out" said Wright.

The 20 percent the city must contribute toward the boardwalk will pay for labor, which of that amount, Councilman and former City Engineer Jim Muschell has already donated about $3,000 in the form of engineering for the project.

Durocher Dock and Dredge was awarded the bid for driving the pilings for the boardwalk and Coppers Company of Pittsburg was awarded the bid for the 35 and 50 foot poles. To help save on the rising cost of the project the length of the boardwalk was cut from about 765 feet to 365 feet.

The boardwalk will begin at the Gordon Turner Park at the end of Huron Street and proceed through the marsh west along the shoreline.

Plans are to build the walk with an observation deck and platform for viewing the many birds, fish and other animals that make their home in the marsh which is one of the largest of its kind in Michigan.

The walkway will also have several areas where people can sit down or stand for the view. The boardwalk area has already been staked out with yellow flags showing where it will wind through the marsh.

THE ALPENA NEWS
March 3, 1981

NE Community Foundation elects, approves grants

The Northeast Michigan Community Foundation approved $4,050 in new grants, formalized terms of a previous $3,500 commitment to LaMarre Park development and elected Gordon Nethercut president in annual meeting Tuesday night.

Gordon Nethercut

The session was also the Foundation's first under the new name used above — it was formerly the Alpena Area Community Foundation. The Foundation board and membership believe the change better evokes the regional service concept the tax-exempt organization seeks to fulfill in receiving applications and making grants from its own funds, acting as trustee-administrator of special purpose gifts from individuals and groups and in receiving unrestricted contributions and bequests to add to its endowment.

The Community Foundation's stated purpose is "to improve the quality of life in Northeast Michigan."

The annual meeting of the membership elected James Cook of Alcona County and Nancy Fitzgerald, Howard French and Philip Glennie of Alpena to three-year terms on the Board of Trustees. Annual financial statements were received and approved.

A $3,000 Community Foundation grant to the Alpena Public Schools, together with a $5,000 grant from the Besser Foundation will provide seven microcomputers and three printers for pilot projects in computer science at Ella White and Hinks elementary schools and in several departments at Alpena Senior High.

Split-vote approval of the grant reflects a degree of trustee reluctance to give funds to a tax-supported entity in carrying out its basic function. Those voting approval saw the grant as one-shot "seed money" for an innovative and progressive educational program; the school district application pledged intent to continue and expand the program throughout the K-12 district.

"The extensive use of computers in our society makes it imperative that we introduce computer literacy, science and techniques . . . that students interested in exploring career and vocational possibilities in the computer field be given the opportunity . . ." the grant application said.

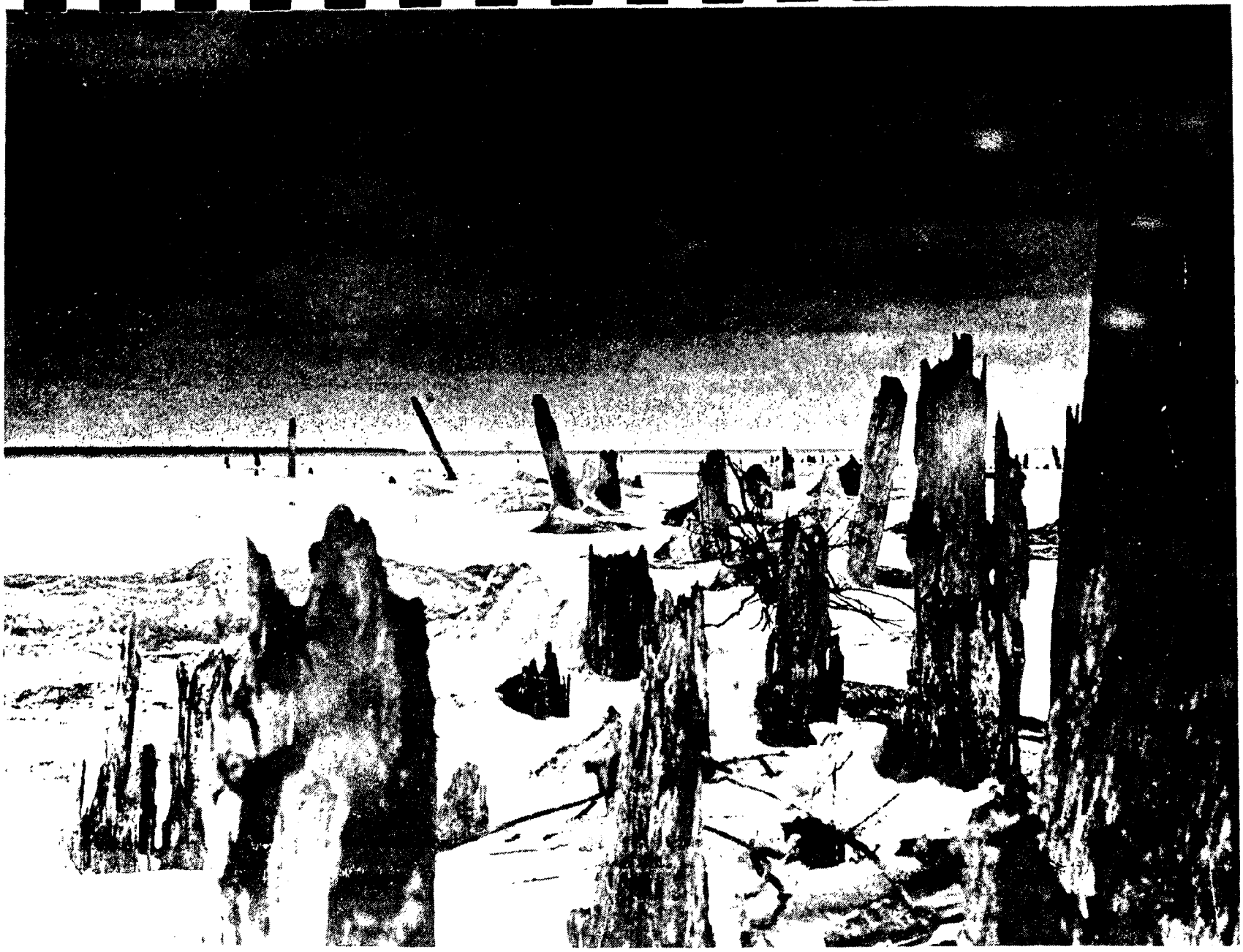
The other new grant, for a total of $4,050, was $1,050 to the Jesse Besser Museum, enabling that institution to add pieces to its collection of unique Clewell pottery, already deemed the best public collection of these pieces in the country. The particular pieces of metal clad pottery added are a rare pedestal type punch bowl and 12 matching cups, and a 12-inch vase. Total value is $1,550, the Museum investing $500 of that.

Prior commitment of another $3,500 to the Alpena County Commission for development of LaMarre Park on the City riverside along River St. was formalized. It is a stipulation that the Foundation grant will "unlock" a grant of some $20,900 for the park project from the Michigan Coastal Management Program. Joseph LaMarre of the County Parks Committee reports in-kind contribution of materials is in hand sufficient to meet matching requirements.

The Community Foundation has already paid $3,907 to the County Commission toward work on the initial development phase of the project.

Nethercut, partner in a public accounting firm, succeeds in the Foundation presidency James Park, Besser Company president. Elected vice-president was Jane Ann Reitz; Howard French, secretary; and Dr. F.C. O'Dell, treasurer.

Foundation assets exceed $200,000. Grants are made from investment proceeds of the fund corpus — other than special purpose, contributed funds for which the Foundation is simply a trustee and conduit



ONCE A THRIVING INDUSTRY - One of the largest places of employment in Cheboygan, the Embury-Martin's saw mill is now just a shell of a building and the huge dock that stretched out into Lake Huron has become a graveyard for schooners, a habitat for fish and an obstruction for boaters. The huge pilings that once held the dock used to load and unload lumber can be seen sticking out of the ice as the water level is lower in the winter time. Several boats, like the Home and the Ethel, some 45 feet long, lay at the bottom of the lake where they sank many years ago. **(Tribune photo by Mark Pruchnicki)**

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ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
February 24, 1981

Spring harbor improvements planned by DNR

by Marion Tartaglia

Sheriff's deputy Gerald Brown, Undersheriff Edward Pasinski and DNR representative, George Robeson presented a marine program improvements and activity report. At the harbor 399 power boats spent approximately 2 days, and 1200 sail boats spent more than one day, with 4300 people on board the boats. There were 1400 shore fishermen, 27,400 boat anglers, and 10,289 launch site vehicles from August 15 to November 1.

Brown said the DNR has disclosed plans to improve the harbor area by more than doubling vehicle parking and installing three times the present launch facilities. Sixty more large boat slips will be added in the harbor. All work is to be completed by July 1st.

Brown requested a new boat for the harbor safety patrol. the boat presently used is, "A four year old, 18 ft. tri-hull boat which is simply not adequate or safe in seas greater than three to four foot waves." he said, adding that many times they have had to go out in 12 to 14 foot seas. They need a 22 foot boat which would cost around $15,000. "It's not the time to talk big figures," Brown explained, however, he advised the board that the Marine Safety program is funded for all activity at ⅔ of the total cost. The Marine Safety program would reimburse the county $9,900 on the purchase price.

Demonstrating the need for a capable craft in the Harrisville area, Brown observed that the response time from the Tawas Coast Guard station is four hours.

The matter was referred to the Sheriff & Marine Committee for study with Commissioner Harold Fletcher requesting, "I want figures from you because we have to have priorities."

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Coastal Management Projects
by Lew Steinbrecher

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is now in the process of inviting project proposals for funding consideration under the Michigan Coastal Management Program. In past years, many coastal communities have received grants from this program to develop and in some cases, implement coastal plans or design studies. For example, both Mackinaw City and the City of Rogers City received grants to plan and design public access improvements and then received follow-up grants to actually construct facilities called for in the studies. The Harrisville Harbor will be able to improve the landscape at that site as a result of a Coastal Management Grant this year with construction to begin this spring. The Alcona County Planning Commission is involved in an exciting study of the impact of their Great Lakes Sports Fisheries Industry. Preliminary results should become available by April 1981 to show the economic importance of that industry to the county.

Some ideas already being proposed for funding next year include a future land use study for the coastal area and Lake Huron resources in Alpena and Alcona Counties, some additional low cost construction in Mackinaw City and possibly the use of Coastal Management Program funds to help implement the Huron Pines RC&D Measure Plan at the Cheboygan Dam Critical Area Treatment and Water-based Recreation public access site. Should this project be completed, it would become a prime example of what a local area can accomplish using state and Federal resources available to it.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
10 February 1981

EDC project changes detailed

by Marion Tartaglia

Bonding Attorney Brian Williams, member of the Detroit firm Dickinson, Wright, Cudlip & Moon, Wednesday night informed the Alcona County Economic Developent Corporation board they had been the recipients of "misinterpretation of the EDC."

The local board was working under the misconception that no project under $400,000 could be accepted. According to Williams this is not the case. Any project can be received that is economically feasible to the borrower. The EDC board is taking a new look at the minimum size of a project. "We want to get the word out to Alcona County businessmen that amounts under $400,000 may be practical and economically feasible for them." stressed board member Dorothy Gheen.

"The EDC has removed the personal financial information disclosure from the initial application." said chairman Joe Maxwell. Prior to this action anyone making a preliminary application was required to divulge personal assets, etc. "The commission is doing everything possible to make it easier for people to come to the board with projects." commented a board member.

The board has a confidential policy that any person or businessman seeking a project will not be named publically until concrete steps have been taken toward a project and a formal written application made.

Carol Wilson, secretary in the EDC office has resigned her position and left the area leaving the post vacant. It is expected CETA will provide another employee, meanwhile, Judy Schillair continues as public relations employee.

A committee composed of Dorothy Gheen, Mary Ellen Wubbe, Richard Sella and Joe Maxwell was named to follow-up the possibility of obtaining another coastal grant. Scott Jordon, researcher for the fishing impact study, informed the group of the possibility of an additional grant to study impact and land usage within one thousand feet of the coastline.

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CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
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Street through cattail marsh has city in dutch with DNR

CHEBOYGAN — The City of Cheboygan could be in line for severe penalties under the Wetlands Act, after the city crew built a road and ditch through the Cheboygan cattail marsh which is a protected area under the act.

City Manager Steve Wright said state and local Department of Natural Resources officials stopped work last week on a road city crews began building January 28 at the end of Todd Street through the cattail marsh.

Wright said the road was being built so workers could clear out a storm water drainage ditch at the end of Todd Street. "The road was needed to drive equipment on to the drainage ditch," said Wright.

Damage to the marsh is yet to be evaluated, but state DNR official, Hugh Selleck, said the 40 by 300 foot road travels in the north-west area of the marsh, and could change the flow of water.

Selleck said the road and drainage ditch could disturb fish and wildlife in the marsh which is the largest cattail marsh on the shore of a lake north of Chicago.

"We are working on an investigation to the possible damage done in the marsh, but don't know yet the full trouble the road and ditch could cause," said Selleck.

Selleck said the ditch and road was put in without any permits from the state.

Wright said he has offered to take out the road and correct any problems that it may have caused.

Wright said he doubts if the city could take the road out, but hope to take the ditch out and plant over the road so that no one could drive down it.

Wright said he was not aware of the road being built through the marsh. Selleck said that he did not think the city would be fined, because they are cooperating with officials to correct the problems.

The city however could have to pay civil fines of $10,000 for each day that work was done and $2,500 criminal fines for the damage.

Officials say they hope to know the extent of damage and if possible try to correct the problems this week.

THE ALPENA NEWS
February 4, 1981

Parks supervisor laid off --may close Plaza Pool

The Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission is running short.

With only $5,711 left in the kitty until April, the commission was forced to lay off full-time parks supervisor Richard Jackowiak and may have to close the Recreational Plaza Pool by the end of March.

Robert Reicks, secretary of the commission, said the group met Tuesday night to discuss its financial woes and authorize cutbacks, including Jackowiak's position. In 1980, Reicks said, the commission operated on a $37,000 allocation from the county plus $12,000 in revenue sharing monies, the latter earmarked for capital outlay projects including a truck and a lawn mower. This year, the county's allocation is $17,000. And that's it.

The county is paying that out in quarters, handing the parks and recreation commission $4,250 four times a year. Reicks said what's left of the first quarter allocation, added to $3,000 left from a two-year-old $16,000 Recreational Plaza Pool allotment, is just over $5,700.

"As of yesterday, we had $5,711," Reicks said. "We've cut out all spending that isn't absolutely necessary. The parks supervisor will be laid off 30 days from today — it's in his contract to give him 30 days notice."

The commission also discussed operation of the plaza pool. "By the end of March the pool will probably be gone, too," Reicks said. "There wasn't any action taken last night but definitely within the next month or two there will be."

Reicks said the commission has a contract with Alpena Public Schools and will have to keep the pool open for school use through the end of this semester, but its use by the public is in jeopardy. Outlay for the pool has averaged about $500 a month, Reicks said, but now the stockpiled pool supplies held by the school district have been used up, and pool operation has drained $2,000 a month from the commission for the last half-year.

The parks and recreation commission was also forced to say no to $24,500 in grant monies for development of the LaMarre Park on the riverbank at Eighth Street. Reicks said a coastal zone management grant of $21,000, plus $3,500 from the Alpena Area Community Foundation, had been secured to build the park, shore up the bank, put up fences and construct an open pavilion. But the commission needs 20 percent in matching funds, and was depending on Jackowiak's wages to supply part of that match. Without him and other matching monies, the grants are out of reach and the project is on hold, Reicks said.

The commission is due for another $4,250 from the county in April, but by then Reicks figured fixed expenses will take care of every dollar of the $5,711 now on hand. The third quarter is camping season, when the commission's costs are greatest, and Reicks said it will attempt to squeeze through on minimal expenses until then. At the end of the camping season, of course, the commission can count on some revenue. Reciks said the three camping parks bring in about $26,000 a year, $4,000 of which is profit.

But even with that, the parks commission is in difficulty. Three county commissioners attended the Tuesday night session to inform the parks group that it can expect no help from that quarter, either.

ALPENA NEWS
3 February 1981

Alpena Twp. balks at sewer engineering overrun

The board also:

— Heard a report, but took no action, on a coastal management grant application. Lew Steinbrecher of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments said the township could be eligible for coastal management funds (80 percent federal, 20 percent local), and suggested projects the township might consider under the program.

ALPENA NEWS
3 February 1981

City seeks funds for harbor breakwater

BY BOB WESTROPE

On the recommendation of the Harbor Advisory Committee, the Municipal Council Monday night voted to petition the state waterways commission for emergency maintenance funds to repair the deteriorating breakwater that protects the city's small boat harbor.

The proposed $60,000 project would be financed by the waterways commission and the city on a 50-50 basis, with the city's share to be "in kind" services not requiring any financial outlay.

Keith Wilson, chief of the DNR's Waterways Division, in a recent meeting with the harbor committee and city officials, had indicated that up to $30,000 in emergency funds may be available for the Alpena project.

R.S. Scott had previously completed an engineering study of the breakwater indicating the extent of damage and repairs required, and some work was done by the harbor committee last year near the harbor entrance.

The city's application for funds will include special reference to core materials and armor stone to be used in the project and, on the recommendaion of City Manager James Burch, will affirm the city's intention to extend the breakwater toward the mouth of Thunder Bay River in stages as funds become available.

Following a lengthy discussion of NEMROC's new sawmill in the Hueber-Bolton Street area and the greenbelt that is supposed to provide a buffer bewteen the mill and surrounding residential homes, council voted to request that NEMROC assure 30-foot greenbelts on the Hueber—Bolton-Owen Street sides of the property and promise to replace trees where needed.

Richard Smigelski of 527 Bolton and Tom Kaminski of 505 Huron appeared before the council to complain that the greenbelts weren't adequate.

Howard French, NEMROC director, told the council that Power Co. crews had removed a lot of trees from the greenbelts when they were installing electrical facilities but that they would be replaced.

"We fully intend to comply with the greenbelt requirement," French told the council.

Building Inspector Larry Rettel said he was keeping a close watch on the project but suggested that the plan commission be asked to redefine greenbelt. "I think we need a better definition of just what a greenbelt is supposed to be," said Rettel. "As it stands, the definition is too vague."

On the recommendation of the Recreation advisory board, Mary Amoe, Gerald Mills and councilmen Edward Hier and Peter Skiba were appointed to a city-county-schools committee being organized to plan a countywide recreation program.

At the suggestion of Alan Bakalarski, administrative aide for planning, council voted to apply for coastal zone management funds for planning and "low cost construction projects."

Bakalarski said that the program was entering a new funding cycle and that money might become available for such projects as riverfront park design, land use studies and small-scale construction.

City Attorney Keith Wallace presented first readings of proposed ordinances 119 and 120. Ordinance No. 119 sets board of review dates and hours (March 3-4-9-10-11-12) and the procedure for correcting assessment rolls. Ordinance No. 120 is a mechanical code, recommended by the city heating board to conform to state standards and practices.

An agreement with the Intermediate School District was approved authorizing the ISD to process city paychecks and complete other bookkeeping procedures which the city is not equipped to handle.

"One of the reasons why we'd like to make this switch," Edward Seguin, clerk-finance officer, told the council, "is the request of city employees to initiate a deferred compensation program, something we can't handle with the office equipment we have. The ISD does similar work for several groups and organizations." The contract specifies a minimum monthly payment of $75.

An Alpena Chamber of Commerce petition requesting a zoning change from RM-2 to OS-1 (Office-Service) for the block bounded by State, Prentiss, Chisholm and Harbor Drive was referred to the plan commission.

Expenses for city officials who attend a Michigan Municipal League legislative conference in Lansing March 18 and a National League of Cities conference in Washington March 1-3 were approved.

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Fishing Impact Study Released

By Janet Watson

Preliminary statistics received from the Sportsfishing Impact Study were presented by interviewer and MSU graudate student Scott Jordan to the Alcona County Planning Commission at its meeting Thursday, January 22. The study has been authorized by the commission to ascertain the effects of the sports fishing industry on the county and is funded through grants from Coastal Management and Sea Grant with a $2500 match required of the county. This money can come either in cash or in "in-kind services" such as donations of lodgings and meals or labor.

On the basis of the figures obtained, Jordan projected that about a half million dollars is spent in the county by fisherman during the 61 day fishing season from the 1st of September to the 1st of November. This amount was derived from multiplying the number of "angler days" (the total average head count each day of fishermen at Harrisville and Black River, both along the shore and in boats) times an estimated $10 expenditure per person per day.

In Harrisville there were an average of 211 fishermen along the shoreline during a week day, 302 on a weekend day. Average boat use on a week day 120, weekend day 180 with the average boat party being 3.3 anglers. Total angler days for boats: 27,407. Total for boats for Harrisville and Black River Shorelines: 44,215. This represents a "little better than a 2.3 ratio of boaters to shoreline anglers."

Jordan stated that he had interviewed 217 people with a questionaire containing about 80 questions. This gave about 20,000 pieces of information that needed to be compiled.

Answers to questions on opinions of the area and facilities have not yet been run through the computer for frequency, but Jordan read off some of the more prevalent comments. Some anglers would like to see: 24 hour facilities such as a restaurant, gas station, and tackle store within walking distance of the harbor; snack facilities at the harbor during the week, boat rentals, fishing dock in the harbor, more launch sites, and the breakwater accessible from shore. (This is currently in the plans by the Army Corps of Engineers). They thought prices were high, government facilities adequate, restrooms could be improved.

Jordan noted that one of the most frequent comments was that thee was a need for more parking, also overnight parking. Views on the enforcement and legalization of snagging ran both positive and negative.

George Byelich, County Cooperative Extension Service Director, reported that the DNR is going to increase parking by 50% from 120 to 180 spaces and is going to double the amount of launching sites.

When asked if the fishermen expressed any problems in finding accomodations, Jordan replied that it seems the anglers felt they couldn't camp close enough to their fishing sites and that, "The majority of people want to be able to step out of their campers and cast."

Local business people will also be interviewed, as a means of double checking the figures given by the anglers. The form will soon be in the mail. Jordan is also planning to do personal interviews with a random sampling of Harrisville residents - about 75-100 people.

The final "hard cover" plan will be available on March 15 for presentation to the public.

The Planning Commission PIC (Private Industry Council of the Manpower Consortium) grant to do a brochure for the county was another major topic of discussion. Commission member Thomas Diggles is in charge of the project and was given authorization to proceed with putting together specificatons for the brochure. John Walters of NEMEDA (North East Michigan Economic Development Corporation) showed the members examples of brochures done by Alpena and Montmorency Counties explaining the comparative expenses and methods of the different color processes and dye cuts. Representatives from NEMEDA will be going to a tool show in Detroit on April 27. Walters wants to be able to "sell Northeast Michigan" and would like to have literature to display and distribute from each of the counties in the 14 county region before that date. He emphasized that this brochure will be a "Selective tool - not a throw-away".

Preceeding the discussions on the fishing study and the brochure, the Planning Commission held its organizational meeting. The election of officers was held. The 1981 officers are: Chairman, Jack Houghton; Vice-Chairman, Ralph Mills; and Secretary, Carol Beard. Member Jeanne White's term of office had expired. The members decided to recommend to the County Board of Commissioners that she be reappointed. County Commissioner Edward Bartos has been appointed to replace Glenn Reynolds as the County's representative on the Planning Commission. Since Bartos had been on the Planning Commission as a private citizen, a vacancy has now been created on the board. The new opening will be advertised.

County Coordinator Donald Williams observed that since Jack Houghton is Chairman of both the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Planning Commission and since the chairman of each organization holds a seat on the other, there may be additional openings on each board, because Houghton now, in effect, holds two seats on each board. Williams said he would, "look into it."

History was made at the meeting when the commission received its " first request ever" to do a study for the County Board of Commissioners. The request was made by County Commissioner Edward Bartos who had been appointed chairman of the County Building and Grounds Committee. The Alcona County Jail has been cited by the State of Michigan Department of Corrections for some code violations - such as the absence of an exercise area for prisoners. Bartos asked the Planning Commission that a study be made of the problem at the jail, and that a "long range plan" be devised, saying, "I don't want to have to make any panic decisions in the future." John Grzeskowiak, still chairman at the beginning of the meeting, appeared incredulous at a commissioner's foresight in a request for planning saying, "I don't believe it!" A committee of three was appointed to do the study.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
January 27, 1981

First fishing impact data released here

by Marion Tartaglia

Since September, Scott Jordon from Michigan State University has been conducting a fishing impact study up and down the coast from Black River to Greenbush.

Thursday night Jordon presented a preliminary report to the Planning Commission which is the sponsoring agency administering the grants from Coastal Zone Management and Sea Grant.

Jordon discussed fishing, the area, the residents, the businessmen and the DNR with the fall salmon fishermen and will discuss the same topics with the spring and summer trout fishermen before concluding his study. Results of the study will be compiled in three separate volumes at the conclusion of each segment of the study.

There was a 61 day angling season this fall, Jordon said, with anglers arriving in mid-September and departing in mid-November. Two hundred seventeen people were interviewed with 80 questions, generating 20,000 pieces of information.

All statistics are based on "Angler Day", which is a term used to denote one person spending any amount of time fishing in Lake Huron. Jordon said, "We went to Black River every day we were here, but since most of the anglers were concentrated in the Harrisville Harbor area we spent most of our time there."

Average boat use on a weekday was 120 boats per day, on a weekend 180 boats. The average boat held 3.3 anglers, making the total use of 27,407 angler days for the season.

Shore anglers averaged 211 per day with 302 on weekends amounting to a total use for the 61 day season of 14,000 angler days on shore at Harrisville and 2481 on shore in Black River. Total angler days for the whole area, 44,215. At least $10 per day per angler was spent in the area producing an impact on the community of a half million dollars for the 61 day fall season.

Jordon found the fishermen for the most part were happy with the area and businessmen in general, however, there were some negative comments and suggestions for improvement.

There were four primary requests for 24 hour service: a bait and tackle facility, a restaurant within walking distance of the harbor, boat rental and gas station.

Other comments included: "It would be nice to fish from a pier or dock." "Need more parking." "Need more stringent enforcement of snagging." "Need overnight parking near the harbor." (Jordon commented, "They want to be able to hop out of their camper and throw their hook in the water as soon as their feet hit the ground. The 1½ miles to the State Park is too far.").

Anglers told Jordon they found the town people friendly and business people very helpful.

Those fishermen interviewed in Black River said they like going there because they don't like the overcrowding and snagging in Harrisville. Their only request was that perhaps the mouth of the river could be dredged to provide a larger area for fishing.

Jordon is going to begin this week interviewing the businessmen. The information will be confidential, the names of the business will not appear on the forms.

The questionnaire Jordon developed for businesses will point out anglers effect on business in this area. Those businesses not contacted personally will receive a questionnaire in the mail. Results from the questionnaire will also be used to verify expenditure figures received from the fall anglers.

Beginning next month Jordon will interview between 75 and 100 local residents. Among other things he will be asking their impression of the ways Lake Huron sportfishing influences local communities.

County Extension Agent George Byelich urged community participation and cooperation with Jordon. "For the first time we are beginning to understand them (fishermen). It is extremely important for the business people and local residents to make themselves available to Jordon and to attend the public meeting which will be scheduled for sometime in March when the results are tabulated and printed on the fall fishing. The study was scientifically done, using proper interviewing techniques. We are all starting from a common base to bring out problems and opportunities using opinions of the fishermen and local businessmen and residents to come up with some answers." Byelich stressed.

SCOTT JORDAN, from Michigan State University

PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY ADVANCE
Thursday, December 18, 1980

New boat launching ramp at Rockport

"What a beautiful shoreline!" said Richard Dahlquist, area manager for Consumers Power, as he stood high above the clear and cold water of Lake Huron about 10 miles north of Alpena.

Below him lay the site of a boat launching area that Consumers Power has just leased to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for $1 a year.

Next year the DNR will put in a concrete ramp, erect sanitation facilities and provide a gravel parking area on the 13.6 acres Consumers Power leased to the agency.

"This inlet is well sheltered and will provide sportsmen with convenient access to the recreational and sport fishing advantages of this part of Lake Huron," Keith E. Wilson, Waterways Division chief of the DNR, said.

The inlet lies at the end of gravel Rockport Road, which runs east off Route 23 opposite Long Lake, north of Alpena. It is in Section 6 of Alpena Township and is part of 3,700 acres that Consumers Power purchased as a possible site for an electric generating plant.

Kelley Island Lime and Transport Co. developed the site called Rockport and in the mid-1900's quarried limestone, crushed and shipped it from the inlet. The remains of a sturdy dock and boat slip still mark the inlet.

The inlet where the DNR will put the boat launching ramp connects to the boat slip. Fencing will be installed and a staunch crusher house that still stands on the site will be sealed.

"From atop this huge hill of limestone rocks that were quarried only a few hundred yards away," Dahlquist pointed out, "you can see Middle Island, freighters traveling from the Soo, and a lovely shoreline in both directions.

"You can also see a reef out there that is popular with fishermen, who already use the unimproved ramp that was here when we bought the land."

The long-term lease contains a renewal option. Wilson of the DNR noted that the terms of the lease lay down strict requirements that the DNR must follow for upkeep and protection of the inlet against pollution.

SURVEY SITE — Richard Dahlquist (left), Consumers Power district manager, and Robert Bacon, the utility's land and right-of-way representative, check acreage for the new boat launching ramp at Rockport to be built by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The ramp will be installed at the right of the coal slip shown here.

THE ALPENA NEWS
Monday, December 8, 1980

Alpena, Rogers City get planning funds

LANSING—Citing a total of $248,170 in federal funds awarded the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for distribution in the 37th Senatorial District, State Sen. Mitch Irwin today announced that Alpena and Rogers City will receive grants under the state's Coastal Management Program.

City of Alpena—$15,600 for preparation of a final design plan, sealed final construction plans and itemized cost estimates for development of the proposed North Riverfront Park.

Rogers City—$23,370 for a coordinated planning and site design for eight parcels of land that include fragile dunelands.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
December 5, 1980

DNR picks projects

Federal $ for Mackinaw walkway

LANSING — Citing a total of $248,170 in Federal monies given to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for distribution to Michigan's 37th Senatorial District, State Senator Mitch Irwin (Sault Ste. Marie) today announced those communities receiving these monies from the Michigan Coastal Management Program.

"I'm pleased to see these Federal funds go toward resolving coastal problems," Irwin said. "Taking advantage of all opportunities to improve the use of the Great Lakes Shoreland is wise planning."

Irwin explained that increasing amounts of money have been available to DNR because of Michigan's excellent performance in the program nationally. Michigan DNR has made an effort to pass on the funds to local communities in order to provide the best utilization of the shoreland.

ROGERS CITY ($23,370) - A coordinated planning and site design for eight parcels of land possessing fragile dunelands.

MACKINAC ISLAND STATE PARK COMMISSION ($56,700) - Continuation of an archaeological investigation at the Mill Creek site in Cheboygan County, site clearing and trail layout for three nature trails as well as access road and parking lot construction.

VILLAGE OF MACKINAW CITY ($20,000) - Purchase and installation of a cedar split-rail fence, landscaping, grass seeding and walkway construction at five street ends to provide public access to the shoreline.

CITY OF ST. IGNACE ($3,200) - Preparation of information giving economic support and practical direction to the city's previously funded planning-engineering study of its waterfront with particular attention given to possibilities for shore protection and a new promenade.

CITY OF ST. IGNACE ($4,000) - Construction of a shelter and an interpretive display for the **Edith Jane**, a "Mackinaw" type boat built around 1899 -- the last known boat of its kind.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
December 4, 1980

FROZEN WAVES -- The Great Lakes are beginning to crust over. This shot of Lake Huron, taken between Cheboygan and Mackinaw City, looks northeast across the cold waters. Snow and ice have formed hugging the various beaches and large chunks of ice slowly make their way toward the Mackinac Bridge.

THE ALPENA NEWS
Tuesday, December 2, 1980

COUNCIL CONSIDERING REPAIR PROJECT

Harbor breakwater in danger of crumbling

BY BOB WESTROPE

The breakwater that protects Alpena's small boat harbor is in urgent need of repair and a design and reconstruction plan is needed to assure that the structure doesn't crumble and block off the harbor to boat traffic.

That was the gist of a report the Municipal Council received Monday night from its Harbor Advisory Committee.

After lengthy discussion, the council agreed to consider the committee's recommendations.

The report from Dr. John Bunting, harbor committee secretary, outlined improvements made on the outer one-third of the breakwater at the harbor entrance to shore up the structure and results of a study conducted by R.S. Scott Associates Inc. that said the breakwater was built on old pilings that could crumble at any time.

George LaFleche, a member of the harbor committee, told the council: "We are very concerned about the condition of the breakwater and anxious to develop a plan for repairing it before we lose it altogether.

"We could lose it this winter; it could collapse into the mouth of the harbor. The blocks we have installed helped quite a bit, but we need a plan for further temporary repairs or to reconstruct the whole thing which would probably cost aout half a million dollars.

"The outer end of the breakwater is the most vulnerable spot. We could start there and work back. It's a real bad problem. We know the city doesn't have a whole lot of money, but we would like to have your consideration at budget time. The Waterways Commission has promised $50,000 per year in matching funds over a five-year period and maybe we could work out a plan from that basis." City Manager James Burch commented, "We could explore the condition of the footings at the outer side of the breakwater and maybe do something to save the channel, but we would probably need more than $100,000 to toe in the footings and build up the structure."

Mayor William Gilmet said, "The breakwater has been there for a long time, but we recognize the seriousness of the problem. We will consider the committee's recommendations."

Presque Isle County
ADVANCE

Rogers City, Michigan 49779 — Thursday, November 27, 1980

City to get money for shore improvement

The federal government recently approved a $30,000 grant to the city of Rogers City to begin implementation of part of the city's coastal zone management plan. The state approved the grant in September.

The management plan calls for "the preservation of coastal areas within Rogers City and for the construction of interpretive facilities along its shores."

According to city manager James Leidlein, the city must match the grant with local funds amounting to 20 percent of the total project — about $6,000. Some of the local match will be accomplished by using city employees to do the improvement work, said Leidlein.

Three parcels of city land are involved in this part of the plan. Parcels one and three, in the Seagull Point area, will have some work done on nature trails. Current trails will be improved and new trails will be built. Interpretive signs will also be installed along the trails, and additional wooden bollards with chains will be installed in these parcels to keep out vehicles.

Parcel five, behind the Driftwood Motel, will also undergo improvement. The main thing to be done on this parcel is the removal of an old roadway, along with clearing and grading.

Leidlein reported that work will begin in the spring.

The Rogers City Coastal Zone Park System plan was developed with grant money from the coastal zone management program.

Only three parcels were included in the grant application because the other parcels are not eligible for funds under the coastal management program. Since that program cannot fund recreational equipment or needs, Lakeside Park and the little league diamonds were not included in the grant application.

But Leidlein said he is pursuing other programs that will provide money for recreational purposes.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
Tuesday, November 18, 1980

Great Lakes Bottomland

Stressing his support for the designation of Thunder Bay as a Great Lakes Bottomland Preserve, State Senator Mitch Irwin (Sault Ste. Marie) today sent a letter to Chairman of the Natural Resources Commission as testimony for the public hearing in Alpena on November 19, 1980.

Irwin explains that the decision to declare Thunder Bay as an underwater preserve will promote tourism and establish safeguards to protect the artifacts and environment in the Northern Michigan area.

"Your affirmative action will greatly enhance our water-related heritage," Irwin said, addressing the Commission. Citing the geological features, underwater sinkholes and underwater shipwrecks, Irwin said the designation will "insure that the Thunder Bay area becomes a facility for the recreational and historical enjoyment of the good people of Michigan."

The hearings are being scheduled by the Department of Natural Resources by authority conferred on the Commission of Natural Resources according to the Public Acts of 1913 and the Michigan Compiled Laws.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
Tuesday, October 21, 1980

Public hearings Nov. 19-20 on Great Lakes bottomlands

The Department of Natural Resources will hold two public hearings in November on plans for designating the first two Great Lakes Bottomlands Preserves in the state.

A hearing in Alpena November 19 at the Jesse Besser Museum at 7 p.m. will give interested citizens an opportunity to provide further comment on the designation plan for 228 square miles of Thunder Bay in Lake Huron.

Another hearing November 20 in Munising at the Community Center at 7 p.m. will be for public comment on designation of 113 square miles of Munising Bay.

The state's Natural Resources Commission, at its October meeting in Lansing, gave tentative approval to the designation of the two bays. That action came after meetings in Alpena and Munising this summer, at which local citizens expressed support for designation of the bays.

Bruce Andrews of the DNR's Law Division, who is coordinating designation of the preserves, hopes to have both bays designated by June next year, prior the start of the diving season.

Andrews says designation would not hinder sport diving, but would simply provide protection for valuable artifacts and shipwrecks now resting on the bottom of both bays.

Following the hearings, administrative rules needed to protect the bays will be reviewed by the Legislative Service Bureau, the Attorney General, and the Legislature's Joint Administrative Rules Committee, before returning to the Natural Resources Commission for final adoption.

THE ALPENA NEWS
Wednesday, October 8, 1980

Town Talk

THE THUNDER BAY area off Alpena in Lake Huron, along with Munising Bay in Lake Superior, may be Michigan's first Great Lakes Bottomland Preserves if recommendations to designate them are approved by the state's Natural Resources Commission this week. The NRC is meeting in Lansing Thursday and Friday. Designation would be made under a new law, which requires the Department of Natural Resources to establish Great Lakes Bottomland Preserves that have historic or recreational value.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
October 6, 1980

Mackinaw City gets park grant

President Ron Wallin of Mackinaw City has been notified that Mackinaw City has been approved for a $15,000 grant from the Heritage Conservation Fund on a $30,000 project to construct restrooms and provide playground equipment at the waterworks park.

The Heritage Conservation Fund is administered through the Department of Natural Resources. The $15,000 grant from this organization has to be matched by an equal amount from Mackinaw City. However, part of the Mackinaw City share can be provided in kind through such things as labor, materials or use of equipment.

The restrooms and playground equipment are expected for next year.

Mackinaw City will build a new water tower at the site, financed through sale of bonds. An application has been made to the state to approve the bond issue.

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
Tuesday, September 30, 1980

Fish study to gather impact information here

by Marion Turtaglia

Community leaders, members of the Cooperative Extension Service, Sea Grant Avisory Service Personnel and staff from Michigan State University convened at the County Building on Thursday to discuss the Fish Study to be conducted in the Harrisville area.

Much of the free discussion revolved around the snagging problem in the Harrisville Harbor. The opinion was rendered that perhaps the study would aid in solving the snagging problem. Scott Jordan said, "If you allowed snagging you would have more people in this area."

Cooperative Extension Director, George Byelich, conducted the informal meeting. "What fishermen are thinking and where they are coming from, these are some of the things we hope to learn." Byelich said, adding, "The project is designed and the surveys are set to go out and meet that audience."

Dr. Daniel Talhelm, Michigan Department of Fisheries, Scott Jordan, Graduate Research Assistant and John Swartz, District Extension Marine Agent with Michigan Sea Grant and Co-op Extension Services attended the meeting. Jordan has been assigned to this area for one year and will be working four days a week, including each weekend, interviewing fishermen, residents and businessmen in the area. Dr. Talhelm will be in the area bi-monthly conducting the survey.

Dr. Talhelm said, "Right now it's sampling the fall salmon season. Scott is going to start tomorrow." Talhelm said the study will involve the fall salmon, spring lake trout near shore and the summer lake trout off shore seasons. The fall season study will include fishing from boats and from shore. Scott will range up and down the harbor area, interviewing every second angler until he has made a complete sweep of the harbor, at which time he will return to the end of the harbor and cover the entire area again. He hopes by this method to also obtain a count of the users in the harbor.

Planning to work from dawn to dusk Scott estimates it will take 11 minutes with each fisherman to fill out the questionaire.

The questionaire has been formulated to determine: how long some of the anglers are staying in the area, where they live, how many fish are caught, how many miles driven to get here, what kind of fish they are attempting to catch, where their vehicle is parked, what sort of overnight accommodations they have, where they bought their equipment, if they are buying fishing supplies here and where they buy groceries and gas. Anglers will also be asked if they feel services and facilities provided by the government agencies and local businesses are adequate.

On the personal side they will also be asked, age, sex, education, marital status, children, employment and income level.

"They may need one or two people to help," George Byelich suggested. Jordan agreed, he will sweep at the harbor and needs someone at the boat launch site to contact returning boaters. He feels if he attempted to cover both areas he would lose a number of fishermen, especially "short timers" who are there for just an hour or two.

During the "no fishing period" Jordan will contact area residents and business persons to conduct a subjective summary of the business and local residents attitudes and opinions. There will be a random sample of residents, but all businessmen will be personally interviewed.

The "fish watchers" will be polled to see if they are locals, fishermen's wives, or out-of-towners to ascertain what, if any, impact they have on area business.

Several Black River people present at the meeting were most interested. Omar LaVergne asked, "Will this survey help Black River get some improvement at their harbor?" Dr. Talhelm thought it could, he said the Black River survey would be separated from the Harrisville study.

Jordan said he will talk to various agencies, (NEMCOG, etc.) to determine what their plans are for the area in the future.

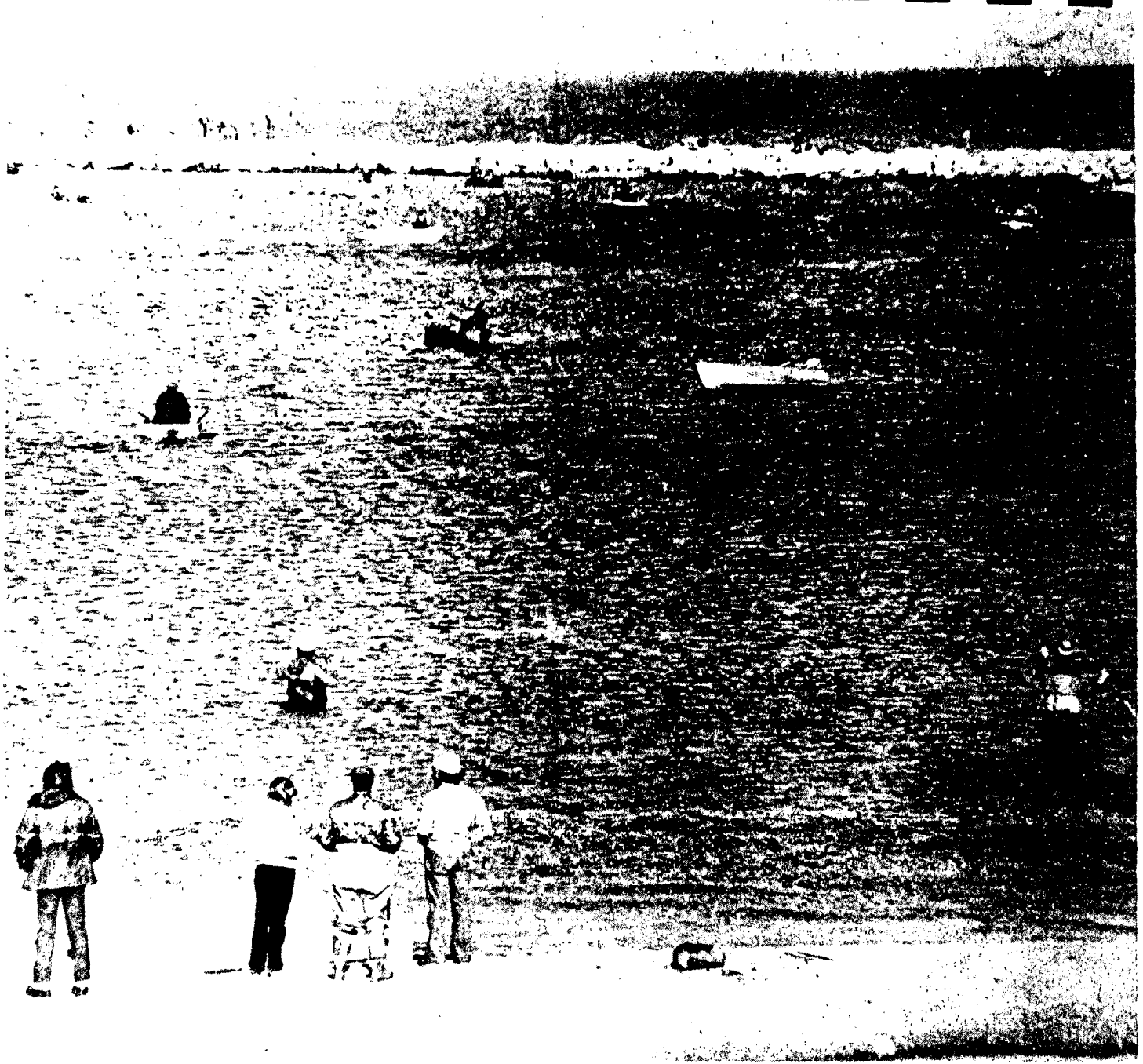
The Alcona County Planning Commission will administer the grant with funds derived from: Sea Grant, $5,000; DNR, Coastal Zone Management, $10,000 and local funds $2,500. Commission Chairman John Grzeskowiak announced, "I finally got the letter that says we have been approved for the grant."

The Michigan DNR feels the Great Lakes, and particularly Lake Huron, are still far from being fully utilized by anglers. If coastal communities such as Harrisville are to prosper from the increasing influx of sport anglers, they need an understanding of the benefits and costs.

The findings of the survey will be published as a Sea Grant publication so everyone will be able to obtain a copy.

The study will also hopefully promote government assistance in finding solutions for the existing problems and carry out developments which will enhance the attractiveness and economic potential of the study area.

The study will likely reveal that a significant portion of the community's economy is based upon anglers' expenditures, and that the economic benefits far exceed the economic costs anglers impose on the community.



FISHING PRESSURE is just one of the aspects of the fish study and fisherman survey being done along the Huron shore. -Review photo

ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW
September 23, 1980

Year-long study planned:

Looks at Harrisville fishery impact

Starting this week Michigan State University researcher, Scott Jordan, begins a year long study to determine the impact of Lake Huron fishing on the Harrisville area.

A committee of local people put this project together. The group was called together by George Byelich from the County Extension office in March. From Harrisville were Ross Arseneau, Noel Lemere and Bill Skrobak; Gary Schnicke, DNR fisheries biologist; John Schwartz, MSU Marine Agent and Lew Steinbrecher from NEMCOG rounded out the team.

The project was put together because no one could measure the economic impact of Lake Huron fishing on Harrisville. Secondly, there was a need to know the market information on the fishermen and their need for services and facilities.

Funding for the project came from two sources. Sea Grant, which is a federal agency for coastal research has committed $5000 to start the project. An additional $10,000 is anticipated from the Coastal Zone Management program administered by the Michigan DNR.

The County Planning Commission will serve as the project sponsor. A local committee will guide the project from Harrisville.

Because of the letters of support from Harrisville people the project was given the go ahead. Those writing in support of this research were: Mayor Ed Gall and the Harrisville City Council; Noel Lemere, Ross Arseneau and Larry Schroeder. These people gave the project credibility and enhanced its opportunity for funding.

Scott Jordan

The study concentrates on the Harrisville area but also includes the Black River area. The schedule involves surveying fishermen during 1980 and 1981. Residents and local officials will be contacted too for their opinions. State officials will be tapped for their responses.

The study will be complete by September 1981. The result will give the community the hard dollar impact of the Lake Huron fishery. It also expects to give direction for helping the local people to cope with and prosper from the impact of fishing.

The Harrisville area will have the information and background to better manage this growing "industry".

The steering committee will meet in the County Building, Thursday evening, September 25th. Scott Jordan will present the project at that time and ask for local input.

There will be a need for a couple of people to assist with the survey work. If you are interested in contributing your time for a few days this fall and next summer to interview fishermen then please contact George Byelich in the County Extension office. If you have a special interest in the project then you would also be welcomed to attend the session on the 25th.

This study is a one of a kind and has attracted the interest of state government and university researchers. It's likely more areas in the State will be evaluated after the Harrisville Fisheries Impact Study is completed.

THE ALPENA NEWS
September 17, 1980

SUPPORT UNDERWATER PRESERVE

Name board to gather input for recommendation to DNR

An ad hoc committee for the study of designating Thunder Bay as an underwater preserve met Tuesday at the Chamber of Commerce and recommended the designation of the bay as a preserve, but expressed a desire for the community to set the final guidelines regarding the preserve.

The committee named a five-person board to gather local input and make recommendations to the Department of Natural Resources by October. Named to the board were Nathan Bader, D.H. Riley, Elaine Wils, Jerry Stein and George Baker.

The DNR is hoping to be able to designate two areas in the state as underwater preserves by October.

Under Public Act 184 of 1980, the DNR is required to establish great lakes bottomlands preserves that have historical or recreational value. The act prohibits the random salvaging of shipwrecks and now requires divers to obtain permits from the DNR before bringing any articles to the surface.

Bader said the new board would meet Friday to draft a letter of recommendations to the DNR, expressing a desire for the community to have an active part in writing the rules that would govern the preserve and any added improvements to the preserve.

"We feel if there is going to be a preserve, we should utilize the power of the state law and let the community write the final rules," Bader said. "We want the community to decide if shipwrecks should be buoyed, or if there should be a park or what access there will be to Thunder Bay."

The original concept of the new legislation, according to Bruce Andrews of the DNR's Underwater Salvage Committee, is to designate areas as preserves and leave them as they are. He said the required permits give the state a chance to determine if the abandoned property should be brought up or left at the bottom of the lake.

Bader said the committee would also investigate the community need of a decompression chamber and other facilities. The committee will again hold a meeting open to the public Sept. 23 at 4:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce.

THE ALPENA NEWS
12 September 1980

Underwater preserve session called

By PETE KAROLY

An ad hoc committee will hold a public meeting Sept. 16 at 4:30 p.m. at the Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce to discuss the designation of Thunder Bay as an underwater preserve.

The meeting is the result of a public hearing conducted by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Aug. 28 in which Public Act 184 was explained; it establishes the concept of great lakes bottomlands preserves. It was explained at that meeting that a committee of local people should be established to gather local input regarding the underwater preserve concept.

Under the new law, the DNR is required to establish great lakes bottomlands preserves that have historical or recreational value. The act prohibits the random salvaging of shipwrecks and now requires divers to obtain permits from the DNR to salvage abandoned property and provides for a misdemeanor penalty for salvaging without a permit.

Bruce Andrews, chairman of the DNR's Underwater Salvage Committee, said the intent of the new act was not to build underwater parks in areas around the state, but to designate them as preserves and leave them as they are. Andrews said the permits give the state a chance to decide whether the abandoned property should be brought up or left at the bottom of the lakes.

Nathan Bader, chairman of the ad hoc committee, said the Sept. 16 meeting would give interested citizens a chance to make recommendations to the DNR regarding the establishment of Thunder Bay as an underwater preserve.

Bader said the purpose of the meeting would be to decide what input should be provided to the DNR; who should provide it; how soon it can be gathered and presented; what the recommendations would include, such as boundary definitions, specific areas of priority and the idea of only a preserve or also a park; what other services or facilities should be considered, such as decompression capabilities, tourist attractions and charter boats; and what interplay there would be between the preserve and local agencies.

On Sept. 3, the Alpena County Planning Commission endorsed a resolution supporting the concept of a bottomlands preserve in Thunder Bay. The resolution said, because of the heavy concentration of shipwrecks in the Thunder Bay area and because of other geological features such as limestone walls and underwater sinkholes, the area should be considered as an underwater preserve.

It went on to state that a research study conducted by the Department of Parks and Recreation Resources of Michigan State University proposed an underwater park concept for Thunder Bay in 1975, and the planning commission as well as the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments recognizes the historical and recreational value of the area and designated it as an area of particular concern.

Andrews stressed the underwater preserve concept did not mean the state would be constructing underwater parks, but merely that the area was of some interest and that permits would be needed to salvage materials. He said Thunder Bay could be designated by the DNR as an underwater preserve, but it would have to go before a state rules committee and a DNR committee before it would go into effect. Andrews said public opinion plays a great role in the final determination of underwater preserves, and added a preserve would probably not be forced on an unreceptive public.

A public meeting held in Munising drew great public response in favor of having Munising Bay designated as an underwater preserve. In addition to Thunder Bay and Munising Bay, other areas under consideration for underwater preserves include Whitefish Bay near Sault Ste. Marie; Keweenaw Point near Copper Harbor; the Mackinac Straits; the Beaver Island area; the Manitou Island area; Point Aux Barques near Port Austin; the Port Sanilac area; the St. Joseph area; and the Muskegon area.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
September 11, 1980

Muschell donates services for expansion of lakeshore park

Councilman Jim Muschell is donating services of his company United Design Associates to continue work for achieving the Cheboygan lakeshore park expansion project.

The project includes construction of a boardwalk across the cattail marsh bordering the Gordon Turner Park. A 25 foot observation tower would be built. In the added area, extending south to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, two soccer fields will be built. A new restroom building is planned.

Muschell has been involved personally with the project over a number of years as former city engineer as well as a private consultant. Now that he has been elected councilman, continuation of the development for remuneration would be a conflict of interest.

He told the City Council Tuesday night at its meeting that he would like to continue work to help achieve the project. Therefore, he proposed that his company be given the opportunity to pursue the project without reimbursement at a public interest donation.

The offer was granted immediately by the Council, with words of appreciation.

Muschell had been hired by former City Manager Bill Arnold two years ago to start preliminary work for the boardwalk application. He told the TRIBUNE that he would have been paid when the grant was received. But now that he has been elected councilman, he declared he has cancelled the bill.

Some of his services on the project include designing the soccer field, boardwalk, and observation platform. He surveyed and staked the soccer area, and has designed an irrigation system using pipe with pop-up spray heads.

City Manager Steve Wright told the Council Tuesday that the Department of Natural Resources has approved the changes in the application which substitute soccer for softball fields. The Manager was told that the city would be notified probably by Oct. 10 if the project was approved for funding.

The boardwalk and observation tower, with balcony designed by Muschell, would provide a view of this special area, which is habitat for many kinds of birdlife, waterfowl, water animals, and marsh plants.

Muschell, while acting as city engineer for the city's project, has also been working as engineer-architect for the County on its project to build the mooring ramp and a marina. The mooring facility has been constructed with two ramps, paved parking area, lights, and restroom building.

Muschell appeared before the State Waterways Commission at Traverse City in July in behalf of the project to build a marina adjoining with docks for up to 77 boats. The marina would be located right across Huron street from the City observation tower expansion area at the Gordon Turner Park.

Construction of the marina, like the city project, are dependent on obtaining approval for a grant. The boat launch facility was constructed through grants.

Muschell said the Waterways Commission showed its interest in the marina project, "but money is tough". He said they put it on their tentative budget. He sees possibility that the marina can be built "in a year or two".

In conjunction with the marina, a restroom building would be constructed, complete with showers.

Muschell gave an interesting slide presentation to the Waterways Commission on the economic benefits that the marina would create.

. He declares the marina would cost $1,770,000 but would return $5,072,112 to the economy during construction through sale of supplies, creating jobs, and in the economic impact on the community during the year. Economic impact would include sale of such things as fuel, boats, food, drink, tourism, etc.

He said 24 full time jobs would be provided.

While working on applications for county and city projects in Cheboygan, Muschell is doing impact studies for a 3,000 foot St. Ignace boardwalk to run along shore of the Straits. The project calls for the 12 foot wide boardwalk, with lights, and erosion control of the shore.

The studies are financed through the DNR and Coastal Management program. St. Ignace is hopeful of getting funding for actual construction, Muschell declared, in the next two years.

THE ALPENA NEWS
September 6, 1980

Town Talk

SEA SCAVENGERS are pretty glum these days. The state's plan to create underwater preserves to protect artifacts on sunken ships is receiving less than an enthusiastic response from the divers who, in the past, have mixed pleasure with profit in their underwater endeavors. State officials were expected to meet this week to designate Munising Bay on Lake Superior and Thunder Bay at Alpena as underwater preserves—to permanently protect shipwrecks and historic relics on the bottom of the Great Lakes. The move, which may eventually lead to the establishment of nine other preserves, will help attract divers to the sites but would prevent underwater scavengers from taking treasures on sunken vessels and aircraft. That's what has drawn the opposition. Several scuba divers voiced theer objections to the idea at a meeting in Alpena last week.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
September 4, 1980

Wright says city may get spillway funds

City Manager Steve Wright said today that after a meeting with state, federal and local officials everything indicates that Cheboygan has an excellent chance to receive funds to improve the area at the Cheboygan spillways.

The spillway is an excellent fishing spot in the area, but because of slippery steep banks its very dangerous to fish in the area. The clay banks are also eroding and caving in and should a fisherman fall he could land in the swirling waters below.

Mr. Wright said that the project is planned in four areas around spillways from Lincoln Avenue north beyond the dam.

The first area would be at Lincoln Avenue where officials plan to reroute the entrance for the boat launching ramp to the east so that boat traffic would not interfere with traffic going across the bridge.

Plans also include putting rocks on both sides of the launching ramp to stop erosion. A new driveway and parking area would also be built at the launching ramp.

Mr. Wright said the entrance to the ramp would probably be paved, including the parking lot, but the planned circular drive would most likely be gravel.

Another circular drive is planned for the second area right near the spillway. A parking lot would also be added there for persons wishing to fish at the spillway.

The third project area would be the spillways themselves where all around on both sides of the spillways the banks would be cut to a gradual decline instead of the steep hill now there and rip rap would be put under and above the banks.

On the east side of the banks two gravel pathways would be put in and a wooden stairway to the top of the bank would be built.

The fourth project area would be due north opposite of the spillways where more rip rap would be installed to erosion.

Mr. Wright said the plans would call for the spillway area to be almost completely drained of water so that the rip rap could be installed. To do that a coffer dam would be built and the water would be stopped at the spillways and detoured through the locks.

The project is thought to cost between $200,000 and $300,000.

Officials say they will try to obtain complete funding through the state and federal government for the project, but Mr. Wright said it is possible the County and City may have to pay for some of the cost, probably in the form of labor.

The tentative starting date for the project would be in August of 1981.

CHEBOYGAN DAILY TRIBUNE
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Old water tower may become tourist platform

Mackinaw City President Ron Wallin received permission from Council last night at their regular meeting to consider turning the old water tower into a viewing platform for tourists.

Mr. Wallin plans to contact engineers to see how much it would cost for such a study and also what the cost would be if it could be converted into a platform.

Mackinaw recently voted to purchase a new water tower and the idea of a viewing platform was considered at that time, but the cost of the platform ruled out the possibility of it being built then.

Mackinaw Businessmen said after the idea of the platform failed that they would still work towards having it built.

In other action the Council proclaimed September 19, 20, and 21 as the first annual Mackinaw City Fudge festival.

Plans are being made to hold a dance at the Village Marina and have fudge making contests and other activities during the festival.

Council voted to begin winter hours for the dump on September 22.

The hours will be, Monday 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., Wednesday 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

States case for underwater preserve: 'main thing is to protect what's there'

By PETE KAROLY

About 35 persons met with representatives of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Secretary of State's office Wednesday to discuss the possibility of designating Thunder Bay in Lake Huron as an underwater preserve.

The meeting, which was co-sponsored by the DNR and the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, was held in the city hall council chambers and was designed to explain Public Act 184 of 1980, which establishes the concept of a great lakes bottomlands preserve.

Under the new law, the DNR is required to establish great lakes bottomlands preserves that have historical or recreational value. The act prohibits the random salvaging of shipwrecks and now requires divers to obtain permits from the DNR to salvage abandoned property and provides for a misdemeanor penalty for salvaging without a permit. Prior to the new legislation, historical artifacts resting on Great Lakes bottomlands were not protected by statute.

Bruce Andrews of the DNR's Law Division in Lansing is coordinating designation of underwater preserves in Michigan and chaired the discussion. Andrews, who also chairs the DNR's Underwater Salvage Committee, said the committee hopes to have at least two areas in the state ready for designation as underwater preserves in October.

Besides Thunder Bay, other areas in the state being considered for designation include Munising Bay; Whitefish Bay near Sault Ste. Marie; Keweenaw Point near Copper Harbor; the Mackinac Straits; the Beaver Island area; the Manitou Island area; Point Aux Barques near Port Austin; the Port Sanilac area; the St. Joseph area; and the Muskegon area.

Andrews said the important features of the new law include definitions of abandoned property, historical and recreational value and Great Lakes bottomlands preserves, and a provision for a penalty for violating the law.

According to the new law, abandoned property on the unpatented, or state-owned, bottomlands of lakes Erie, Huron, Michigan, Superior and St. Clair is protected from salvage with permits.

Andrews said the intent of the law is not to build underwater parks in areas around the state, but to designate them as preserves and leave them as they are.

"We will not be building facilities or buoying wrecks or anything like that," Andrews said. "The underwater preserves will be much like forest preserves, they will be designated, but nothing more will be done with them.

"The main thing is to protect what is there," Andrews said. "These things would be preserves, not parks. If an area is designated as a preserve, that does not infer that anything else is going to happen, but there may be other rules promulgated concerning the preserve."

Andrews said, by requiring permits for salvage operations, the state can determine if the artifacts to be recovered are of historical value and should be claimed by the state, if they are abandoned property and can be released to private individuals, or whether it is better to leave them on the bottom of the lakes.

Enforcement of the new law, according to Andrews, would be up to the DNR and would be handled by the present staff.

"We will enforce the law just as we do any other, and we will have to rely on the word of divers in the areas to help," Andrews said. "There is no way we can search every boat and we will not try to, but it will be pretty hard for someone to stick a four-ton anchor under their vest. A lot of things of historical value have been taken out of the state, and the main object of the law is to have an area of shipwrecks of possible historical value and be able to make sure there is a good reason for bringing artifacts up."

In order to have an area designated as an underwater preserve, Andrews said the next step would be to have a second public meeting where people could express their ideas, both for and against having a preserve.

He said the DNR could designate Thunder Bay as an underwater preserve, but it would have to go before a state rules committee and a DNR committee before it would go into effect. Andrews said public opinion plays a large role in final determination of underwater preserves and, if people were opposed to the idea, areas would probably not be designated.

Andrews said a meeting in Munising drew great public response and a committee was drawn up in support of having Munising Bay designated as an underwater preserve. He added, historical artifacts that are allowed to be brought up may be claimed by the state, but will in all probability be put on long-term loan in the local area for display. He said it would be to the state's advantage to leave artifacts in the area or leave them on the bottom of the lake. Under the act, the DNR is allowed to designate up to five percent of the Great Lakes as underwater preserves. According to figures from the state Parks Department, the areas being looked at comprise only one-twelfth of 5 percent of the Great Lakes bottomlands. "There must be strong public approval of an underwater preserve, this thing will not be railroaded through," Andrews said. "If people want it, they should have a public meeting and discuss where to put it and what the boundaries should be. The chances of having one would be less if there was no public approval."

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MONTMORENCY COUNTY TRIBUNE
August 28, 1980

Thunder Bay underwater preserve urged

The Department of Natural Resources, in cooperation with the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, held a public meeting in Alpena, August 27 to discuss the possibility of designating Thunder Bay in Lake Huron as an underwater preserve.

Under a new law, Public Act 184 of 1980, the DNR is required to establish Great Lakes' bottomland preserves that have historical or recreational value. Prior to passage of the act, historical artifacts resting on Great Lakes' bottomlands were not protected by statute law. Act 194 now required divers to obtain permits and provides for a misdemeanor penalty for salvaging abandoned property without a permit.

A 1975 study of Thunder Bay by Michigan State University verified 26 shipwrecks. According to historical research, an additional 57 wrecks may also rest in the bay.

Bruce Andrews of the DNR's Law Division in Lansing is coordinating designation of underwater preserves in Michigan. He says designation of Thunder Bay would not hinder sport diving in any way.

"Recreational diving is not affected by designation," he emphasizes. "Divers could still dive in the bay, but they would not be allowed to bring anything up to the surface without a permit."

Intent of the legislation is simply to give the State a chance to review any artifacts recovered by divers for historical value, Andrews explains.

A meeting held last month in Munising on designation of Munising Bay in Lake Superior drew 40 persons. "As a result of that meeting the local Chamber of Commerce and area citizens have formed a committee to support designation of the bay as an underwater preserve," he says.

Since that meeting divers in the bay found an old ship's anchor and asked the DNR for permission to bring it ashore.

"We gave them permission, divers in the area recovered it, and plans are now underway for the State to place the anchor with Munising's Chamber of Commerce for long-term loan for display," Andrews says.

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Want state to buy El Cajon property

BY BRUCE MAXWELL

Three upright sticks standing four feet high suddenly rose from the reeds as our canoe quietly glided through the water, slowly flapping their great gray-blue wings that stretch nearly eight feet from tip to tip as they lifted into the sky with their feet trailing behind.

The great blue herons rose from reeds at El Cajon Bay, a unique ecological site in Alpena County that the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) has been trying to get the state to buy for the past two years. If the state doesn't buy the land this year, it will probably be divided into lots and sold for homesites.

In addition to being habitat for many species of water birds and animals, the El Cajon Bay property has two underwater sinkholes, the largest measuring 75 feet deep, and an extensive series of earth cracks. Two types of endangered flowers, the dwarf iris and pitcher plant, also have been found on the property and NEMCOG staffers have sighted a bald eagle during visits to the land.

NEMCOG's latest acquisition proposal will be considered by the Michigan Land Trust Fund board in early September, and NEMCOG Coastal Planner Lew Steinbrecher said he believes the proposal stands "about a 50-50 chance" of being approved.

Money for the Land Trust Fund comes from revenues collected by the state from oil and gas leases. The Fund will have more than $4 million to spend on property acquisition this year, Steinbrecher said.

The primary problem holding up acquisition of the mile-square property of 365 acres is the price tag of $1 million which is being asked by the current owner. In addition, Steinbrecher said nearly all the projects approved by the Fund have been for areas in southern Michigan near large metropolitan centers.

The El Cajon Bay property, which has been designated as an ecologically sensitive Area of Particular Concern (APC) under the Michigan Coastal Management Program, has approximately five miles of coastline on Lake Huron, and is one of the largest remaining natural stretches of coastline in the state, Steinbrecher said. Most of the coastline is wetlands, although a small portion is cobble beach.

The two underwater sinkholes on the property are the prime point of interest. One is quite small, but the other is some 300 feet in diameter and 75 feet deep, Steinbrecher said. On a canoe trip to the area, the canoe moved through water that was two feet deep until it came to the edge of the sinkhole, where a very sharp wall leading down into murky blackness could be readily seen.

Divers who have explored the sinkholes report that an underwater cavern seems to extend inland from the bottom of the larger sinkhole. At least two natural springs also have been seen in the larger sinkhole.

The sinkholes are now technically owned by the state because they are Lake Huron bottomlands and thus are already owned by the state. But Steinbrecher said purchase of the surrounding property is crucial to the preservation of the sinkholes.

Huge earth cracks, which are associated with sinkhole activity, also are prevalent on the El Cajon Bay property. The cracks most likely occur when water cuts under limestone, causing the surface to cave in, said Steinbrecher. The largest of the earth cracks on the El Cajon Bay property stretches for one-half mile and is more than 10 feet deep and eight feet wide.

Steinbrecher said the only sinkholes now owned by the state are a couple of poor specimens in Presque Isle County. The El Cajon Bay property is much more desirable, he added.

"This property has unique features which aren't found on any other property in Michigan that I know of," he said.

Steinbrecher said he favors a minimal development of the land to provide for public access for canoeing and exploring of the area. This development could include building of a boardwalk around the marsh near the sinkholes for observation from land, he said.

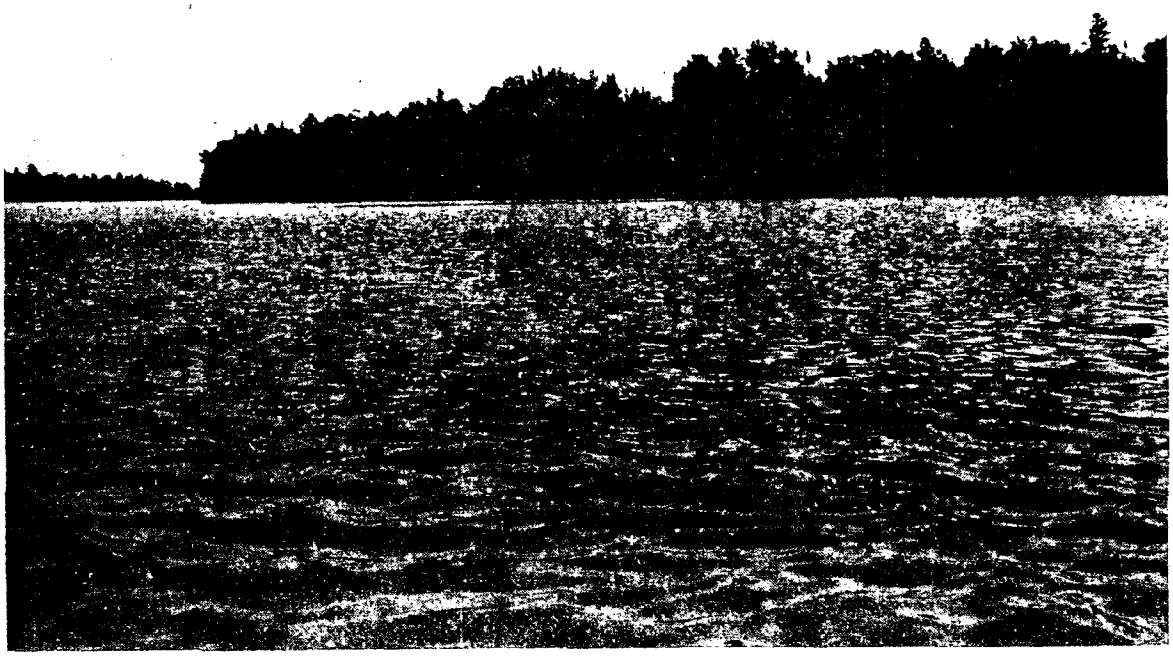
Steinbrecher presented the property acquisition proposal to the Michigan Land Trust Fund board in Lansing earlier this month. The board was meeting then to pare down the number of programs which had been requested, a task it will take up again at its September meeting. The August presentation was quite a success, Steinbrecher said.

"I think there was a general interest on the part of the board to buy the property, because the slides showed there were so many unique characteristics," he said.

This year is probably the last chance the state has to acquire the whole property, Steinbrecher said, because the owner has divided the property into ten-acre parcels for development of homesites. The owner has agreed to wait on development until there is final action by the state, but is anxious to sell the land, he said.

Steinbrecher urged persons who support acquisition of the property by the state to write letters as soon as possible to Ed Hagen, Office of Budget and Federal Aid, Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 30028, Lansing, 48909.

The acquisition plan already has been supported by the Alpena County Planning Commission, Alpena Township Board of Trustees, Alpena Chamber of Commerce, State Rep. Steve Andrews, Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Area Council, Michigan Coastal Management Program (DNR), Forest Management Division of the DNR, Thunder Bay Audoban Society, National Speleological Society, Great Lakes Camp and Trail Assoc., and the Michigan Natural Areas Council.



PROPOSED FOR STATE PURCHASE—A square-mile area surrounding El Cajon Bay is the subject of a land acquisition proposal by the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG). NEMCOG is attempting to get the state to buy the land with funds collected from oil and gas leases. The area has several unique characteristics including two underwater sinkholes, one of which is located under the water in the foreground of the picture. The largest underwater sinkhole is 75 feet deep and some 300 feet in diameter.(News Photo)

PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY ADVANCE
28 August 1980

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Final Draft of the Coastal Zone Management Plan for Rogers City Lakefront parcels is available for public inspection at the City Hall. This Management Plan provides an analysis of the City's seven lakefront parcels and sets forth a plan for their future development. The City Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on this plan on Monday, September 8, 1980 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall. All interested persons and groups are encouraged to attend.

PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY ADVANCE
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Presque Isle County
ADVANCE

City receives grant for park trail development

Rogers City will receive a grant of $30,000 through the Michigan Coastal Management Program for low-cost construction including trail development at public shorefront parks, it was announced recently.

The grant will help cover costs for improvements outlined in a study recently completed listing improvements for coastal lands within the city. Six parcels of land were analyzed for possible improvements, including a top-priority project for land in the vicinity of Seagull Point on the west fringe of the city. Improvements will be made to existing nature trails and construction of additional footpaths complete with interpretive signs identifying various trees and other flora. Benches for occasional rest stops along the trails also are a part of the plan.

Five northeast Michigan communities on Lake Huron will also receive grant money through the program. According to Lew Steinbrecher, coastal planner with the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, the grant awards total $118,000, with money distributed to Alpena County, the Harrisville Harbor Commission, Alcona County and the city of Cheboygan.

Construction on the Seagull Point area may begin as early as this fall, city officials said.

COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

October 1980

10/1 Beaugrand Township Hall - Cheboygan
Beaugrand Township Board of Trustees - Lew Steinbrecher attended meeting where the Township Zoning Commission presented the draft zoning ordinance as a result of their efforts over the past year and a half. Staff also advised the Township Board regarding a parcel of land along Lake Huron which had recently been donated to the Township. (18 people)

10/1 Mackinaw City Village Hall - Mackinaw City
Lew Steinbrecher met with David Warner (DNR) and Ron Wallin (Village Mayor) for a site inspection of low-cost construction activities on lakefront properties. (3 people)

10/2 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of the Commission along with David Warner (DNR) to discuss the Sports Fishing Economic Impact Study for the Lake Huron communities within the County. (14 people)

10/10 Nickels Professional Building - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher met with Tom Woiwade (Michigan Nature Conservancy), Gerry Tracey (Nickels Real Estate) and Ken Hoffmaster (owner of El Cajon Bay property) to discuss possible land acquisition following elimination of the proposal by the Michigan Land Trust Fund Board. (4 people).

10/15 Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher met with D.H. Riley (Alpena Township Supervisor) and Wallace Papke (Papke-Beatty Real Estate) to discuss possible funding sources for public acquisition of the Warmike Marina on Partridge Point.

Later in the afternoon, Lew Steinbrecher met with Al Bakalarski (Alpena City Planner) to discuss possible local project proposal for FY 1982 Coastal Program funding consideration.

10/21 Holiday Inn - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher met with State Senator Mitch Irwin and his legislative aide Pam Dunham to discuss designation of the Thunder Bay area bottomlands as an underwater preserve under authority of P.A. 184 of 1980.

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

November 1980

11/5 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to discuss designation of the Thunder Bay area bottomlands as a State Underwater Preserve and a number of concerns of the county regarding possible rules and regulations to be instituted with the preserve. (13 people)

11/12 Gaylord State Bank Community Room - Gaylord
NEMCOG Natural Resources Advisory Committee - NATRAC Committee reviewed four Areas of Particular Concern (APC) nominations and took appropriate action on each. Staff also highlighted coastal program efforts as part of this year's program. (21 people)

11/19 Jesse Besser Museum - Alpena
DNR Public Hearing - Lew Steinbrecher attended public hearing conducted by DNR Law Division regarding designation of the Thunder Bay area bottomlands as a State Underwater Preserve under authority of PA 184 of 1980. NEMCOG supported such action and made verbal testimony to that effect into the public hearing record. (about 25 people).

11/24 Mackinaw City High School - Mackinaw City
MDOT Public Hearing - Lew Steinbrecher attended public hearing conducted by the Michigan Department of Transportation to receive comment on the Northwest Michigan Rail Rationalization Plan which included continuation of railcar ferry service across the Straits of Mackinac by the Chief Wawatum. NEMCOG supported continuation of this coastal related activity because of its energy and economic advantages. (over 100 people)

11/25 Cheboygan County Building - Cheboygan
Cheboygan County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of Planning Commission to provide update of the Cheboygan Dam Public Access site APC nomination and to discuss possible coastal grant for next year to address economic implications of discontinuance of railcar ferry service across the Straits of Mackinac.

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

December 1980

12/8 Presque Isle Township Hall - Presque Isle
Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting because of two agenda items of interest to the program. Discussed was the proposed zoning ordinance which NEMCOG originally drafted two years ago as part of its Coastal Program effort and action by the Board to close the Township Park at the Presque Isle Lighthouse to the public because of possible public hazard as a result of toxic chemicals located at the site by the USCG when they maintained the light station. (over 50 people)

12/9 Harrisville Harbor - Harrisville
Lew Steinbrecher met with Dave Warner and Mike Kessler to perform site inspection of low-cost construction proposed for the property and obtain information for site design. (3 people)

LaMarre Park - Alpena
NEMCOG and DNR met with Bob Reicks of the Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission to inspect the property and obtain information for site design of proposed low-cost construction activities. (3 people)

12/10 Waterfront Parks and City Hall - Rogers City
NEMCOG and DNR met with Jim Leidlein, City Manager, to review grant proposal and perform site inspection on park property proposed for low-cost construction activities and review site designs already performed. (3 people)

Cheboygan Marsh (Gordon Turner Park) Cheboygan
NEMCOG and DNR met with Steve Wright, City Manager, and Jim Muschell, City Councilman, to review grant proposal for a boardwalk and observation tower in the Cheboygan Marsh. (5 people)

12/15 Presque Isle Township Hall - Presque Isle
Presque Isle Township Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher met with Planning Commission to review, discuss and answer questions regarding revised township zoning ordinance, particularly changes in proposed regulations for development along the Township's Lake Huron coastline. (7 people)

12/20 Presque Isle Lighthouse - Presque Isle
Lew Steinbrecher met with Nancy Sandford, caretaker of the lighthouse park property and Peter Lazdins, U of M graduate student, to discuss possible site design of recreational activities and improvements to enhance historical and coastal resources on the property as a master's thesis and drafting of a Coastal Program grant proposal for low-cost construction at the park to accommodate coastal access.

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

January 1981

1/22 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended meeting of Planning Commission where a preliminary verbal report on the Great Lakes Sports Fisheries Impact Study was given by Scott Jordon, MSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife graudate student. (about 25 people)

1/27 Cheboygan County Building - Cheboygan
Cheboygan County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of Planning Commission to discuss possibility of development of a management plan for the coastal resources of the County's Lake Huron shoreline. (12 people)

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

February 1981

2/2 Alpena Township Hall - Alpena
Alpena Township Board of Trustees - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to discuss the possibility of the township applying for a grant under the Coastal Management program to conduct either a coastal environment zoning study or a renovation feasibility study for the old Warnike Marina. The Board decided not to sponsor either proposal. (12 people)

2/4 Alpena County Courthouse Annex - Alpena
Alpena County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of Planning Commission to discuss possible application for Coastal Management Program funds to conduct a coastal resources management plan and future land use study for the county's Lake Huron shoreline. (19 people)

2/9 Presque Isle Township Hall - Presque Isle
Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of the Township Board to discuss a site design improvement project for the Township's lighthouse park property by Peter Lazdins, a graduate student at the University of Michigan, as his master's thesis. The primary purpose of NEMCOG's involvement at the meeting was to explain and discuss the possibility of applying for a grant under the Coastal Management Program to partially implement proposed improvements in the site designs study, such as interpretive sign, benches, wood chip foot trail and other low-cost construction activities to improve access and public awareness of this coastal site. (27 people)

2/12 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Lew Steinbrecher met with three representatives of the County EDC, the County Coordinator, Chairman of the County Planning Commission and County Cooperative Extension Director to discuss possible grant proposals and local sponsors to the Coastal Management Program. (7 people)

2/12 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Parks and Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended meeting to discuss possible low-cost construction activities at the Harrisville Recreation Area to better accommodate Great Lakes sports fishermen and application to the Coastal Management Program to finance such improvements

2/18 Ponderosa Steak House - Alpena
NEMCOG Natural Resources Advisory Committee (NATRAC) - Lew Steinbrecher reviewed with the committee one new APC nomination (Stony Point) and one existing APC (Dakota Lane - Surf Park Plat) and highlighted twelve proposed projects being prepared for funding consideration under the Coastal Management Program. (21 people)

February 1981 continued

2/19 Northeast Michigan Council of Governments Office - Gaylord
NEMCOG staff meet with Dr. Howard Tanner (DNR Director), Harry Whitely (NRC member) and three other DNR staff to discuss various DNR activities and policies. Mentioned at the meeting was the usefulness of the State's Coastal Management Program and its beneficial impacts in the region along Lake Huron. (16 people)

2/19 Alpena County Courthouse Annex - Alpena
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher met with commission to discuss budget problems and proposed construction alternatives associated with the coastal program grant award for improvements at the LaMarre Park along the Thunder Bay River in Alpena. (22 people)

2/24 Mackinaw City Municiple Building - Mackinaw City
Lew Steinbrecher met with mayor and village councilman of Mackinaw City to discuss and prepare proposal to Coastal Program to implement Phase II of low-cost construction activities on the lakefront park properties in the Village. (3 people)

2/24 Cheboygan County Building - Cheboygan
Cheboygan County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher met with commission at their regular monthly meeting to discuss a coastal resources development plan and future land use study for the County's Lake Huron shoreline. (12 people)

2/25 Peoples Bank and Trust of Alpena - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher met with three member committee of the Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission to discuss and revise budget for the LaMarre Park coastal project. NEMCOG staff also met with representatives of Massey Construction and Scott Engineering to discuss activities called for in the project.

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

March 1981

3/4 Alpena County Courthouse Annex - Alpena
Alpena County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of the Planning Commission to review and discuss draft grant proposal for funding consideration under the Michigan Coastal Management Program to prepare a Coastal Resources Development Plan for the county's Lake Huron shoreline. (11 people)

3/5 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to review the three grant proposals to the Coastal Program and discuss the commission's adoption of a resolution supporting NEMCOG's effort to secure Coastal funds to develop a coastal resources development plan on behalf of Alcona County. (12 people)

3/6 Offices of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments - Gaylord
John Porter, Chairman of the Alpena County Planning Commission met with Lew Steinbrecher to review and discuss the County's grant proposal to the Michigan Coastal Program. (2 people)

3/17 Offices of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments - Gaylord
Neil Steinoith, Sales Representative for the Presque Isle Corporation (limestone quarry operation and Great Lakes shipping port) met with Lew Steinbrecher to arrange the acquisition of shot stone to be used as rip rap material at LaMarre Park for the boardwalk foundation. (2 people)

3/17 Lewiston State Bank - Atlanta
NEMCOG Board of Directors - Lew Steinbrecher reviewed past accomplishments and current activities in the region which have or are now receiving funding assistance from the Michigan Coastal Management Program and to present and discuss a resolution supporting the submittal of grant proposals under the program for Fiscal Year 1982. Resolution adopted by the Board. (21 people)

3/19 Alpena County Courthouse Annex - Alpena
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to review and discuss provisions of their contract to receive the Coastal Program grant and progress with the LaMarre Park project. (18 people)

3/24 Cheboygan County Building - Cheboygan
Cheboygan County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of the planning commission to review and discuss the Cheboygan Dam Public Access site project and the various state and federal programs involved in the project. (13 people)

3/25 LaMarre County Park - Alpena
Dick Jackowiak, employee of the Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission in charge of the on-site construction activities, met with Lew Steinbrecher to review the provisions of the Coastal Program grant and obtain a better understanding of the proposed improvements at the park. (2 people).

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

April 1981

4/1 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of planning commission to review and discuss grant proposal to the Michigan Coastal Management Program and resolution of sponsorship and to review past, present and future land use planning activities along the Thunder Bay River with Alpena City Planner. Also discussed the LaMarre County Park project. (14 people)

4/2 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of planning commission to discuss NEMCOG's grant proposal for coastal resources plan. (12 people)

4/8 DNR District Office - Gaylord
NEMCOG Natural Resources Advisory Committee - NATRAC reviewed proposed multi-million dollar condominium housing project with private 16 slip marina at the east tip of Partridge Point and discussed pros and cons of allowing the issuance of a dredging permit in a sensitive coastal environment to allow project to begin. (21 people)

4/16 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Planning Commission - Special meeting to present findings of the Alcona County Great Lakes Sports Fishing Economic Impact Study by MSU researcher, Mr. Scott Jordan.

4/16 Alpena County Courthouse Annex - Alpena
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission - Regular monthly meeting of the commission to open landscaping/tree planting bids and rock hauling bids for the LaMarre Park project and to review and discuss progress of the project. (16 people)

4/22 Port of Stoneport - Presque Isle
Presque Isle Corporation - Lew Steinbrecher met with representatives of Presque Isle Corporation and Glave, Inc. to review and discuss the hauling of limestone quarry rock from the quarry to LaMarre Park for the boardwalk.

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

May 1981

5/5 Mackinaw City Village Hall - Mackinaw City
Lew Steinbrecher met with Mike Kessler (DNR-LRPD) and Ron Wallin, Village President to review grant proposal for FY 1982, inspect sites proposed for low-cost construction activities and look at work completed under FY 1980 grant. (3 people)

5/5 Cheboygan City Hall - Cheboygan
Lew Steinbrecher (NEMCOG) and Mike Kessler (DNR-LRPD) met with Steve Wright (City Manager) to inspect progress of the Cheboygan Marsh Boardwalk project under construction as a result of FY 1981 CMP grant. (3 people)

5/6 Rogers City City Hall - Rogers City
Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler met with Jim Leidlein (City Manager) to review progress of FY 1981 low-cost construction grant activities and perform site inspection of affected lakefront properties. (3 people)

5/6 Kentucky Motor Lodge - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler had a luncheon meeting with several members of the Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission to discuss details of the FY 1981 low-cost construction grant at LaMarre Park. Site inspection of the property followed the meeting. (9 people)

5/6 Huron-Portland Cement Plant - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler met with Walter Dowd, engineer with the cement plant, to have guided tour of this major industrial and Great Lakes shipping facility. (3 people)

5/6 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler attended regular monthly meeting to discuss the Planning Commission's grant proposal to undertake a Coastal Resources Development Plan for the county's Great Lakes shoreline and to explain the review and decision making process. (16 people)

5/7 Alpena City Hall - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler met with Al Bakalarski, Alpena City Planner, to review the three separate grant proposals and inspect various public properties involved in the grant requests. (3 people)

5/7 Harrisville City Hall - Harrisville
Harrisville Harbor Commission - Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler met with Harbor Commission to discuss details of their grant in order to formalize the contract and begin construction. (8 people)

May 1981 continued

5/7 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of planning commission where the sports fishing study was discussed and reviewed the progress of the project. (13 people)

5/21 Alpena County Courthouse Annex - Alpena
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to present status report of the LaMarre Park project and formalize service agreement between the commission and NEMCOG regarding administration of Coastal grant for the project.

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

June 1981

6/9 NEMCOG Offices - Gaylord
Gerry Harsch of Land Planning Associates met with Lew Steinbrecher to discuss the design and cost estimates of fiberglass embedded signs for Coastal low-cost construction projects at Rogers City, Alpena (LaMarre Park) and Harrisville Harbor. (2 people).

6/10 Alpena County Courthouse and LaMarre Park - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher visited the County Equalization Department to obtain names and addresses of property owners along Lake Huron in Alpena County for pending designation of High Risk Erosion Areas. Also performed site inspection of progress at the LaMarre County Park project and talked with project coordinator, Dick Jackowiak.

6/11 DNR-LRPD Offices - Lansing
Lew Steinbrecher met with John Ververka and Sandra Poneleit of Interpretive Associates and Mike Kessler of the Coastal Program to discuss the submission of cost estimates for the design and manufacturing of fiberglass embedded signs for the coastal low-cost construction projects at Rogers City, Alpena (LaMarre Park) and Harrisville Harbor. (4 people)

Lew Steinbrecher then met with Mike Kessler and Dave Warner of the Coastal Program staff to review and discuss NEMCOG's FY 1982 Coastal Program grant proposals. (3 people)

6/18 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of Parks Commission to review and discuss progress of the LaMarre County Park Project and to consider and approve financial records and bills for the project. (13 people)

6/20 Harrisville Elementary School - Harrisville
Alcona Historical Society - Lew Steinbrecher attended meeting of the Society where there was a presentation on shipwrecks in Thunder Bay by the Shipwreck History Interpretation and Preservation Society (SHIPS), discussion of the Thunder Bay underwater preserve and the possibility of renovating the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse for a maritime museum. (about 65 people)

6/24 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Board of Commissioners - Lew Steinbrecher attended meeting to give the commissioners a progress report on the LaMarre County Park low-cost construction project. (19 people)

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

July 1981

7/1 Harrisville City Hall - Harrisville
Harrisville Harbor Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of the Commission to discuss several projects for the downtown and waterfront areas of the city, including a pier out into Lake Huron off of Main Street and conversion of a vacant lot into a waterfront park. (9 people)

7/2 Harrisville City Hall - Harrisville
Harrisville Harbor Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to discuss coastal grant award and some of the specific improvements to be made at the Harbor. (8 people)

7/9 Rogers City Hall - Rogers City
Lew Steinbrecher met with Jim Leidlein, City Manager to discuss bids for fiberglass embedment signs for the nature trail and to perform site inspection of improvements under construction. (2 people)

7/9 Kentucky Motor Lodge - Alpena
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher met with finance committee of the Parks and Recreation Commission to discuss terms of a service agreement with Dick Jackowiak to complete improvements at LaMarre County Park. (4 people)

7/16 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Parks and Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to present progress and financial report of the LaMarre County Park Project with the Coastal Program grant. (17 people)

7/21 Harrisville City Hall - Harrisville
Harrisville Harbor Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended special meeting to open bids for landscaping and general contracting for improvements at Harrisville Harbor under a Coastal Program grant award. Also discussed fiberglass embeddment signs for the project. (8 people)

7/31 NEMCOG Offices - Gaylord
NEMCOG A-95 meeting - Lew Steinbrecher provided members of Project Review Committee with staff comments on FY 1982 DNR grant application to USDOC for continuation of Michigan's Coastal Management Program. Staff report highlighted proposed local project to be funded under the grant. (15 people)

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

August 1981

8/6 Harrisville City Hall - Harrisville
Harrisville Harbor Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting to open new bids for sub-contract work on the construction of stairways, stone retaining wall and streambed stabilization as well as landscaping and ground cover. Also discussed Harbor Welcome sign and other details of the project. (7 people)

8/13 Van Til Restaurant - Atlanta
Lew Steinbrecher met with Dorothy Gheen, publisher of the Alcona County Review newspaper to discuss the possible study of reconstructing an 1800's fishing village at the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse park site. (2 people)

8/27 Jesse Besser Museum - Alpena
Lew Steinbrecher met with Bob Haltiner of the Museum staff to view old photos of the lumbering era along the Thunder Bay River in Alpena for possible use in an historic sign to be mounted at the LaMarre County Park. (2 people)

NEMCOG COASTAL PROGRAM MEETINGS - FY 1981

September 1981

9/2 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of planning commission to discuss pending Coastal Program grant and to prepare a request for proposal for subcontract. (11 people)

9/8 Site Inspections - Mackinaw City, Cheboygan, Rogers City
Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler performed site inspections for low-cost construction projects and inventory for handicapped access to coastal recreation areas.

9/9 Site Inspections - Alpena and Harrisville
Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler performed site inspections for low-cost construction projects and inventory for handicapped access to coastal recreation areas.

9/9 Alcona County Building - Harrisville
Alcona County Planning Commission - Lew Steinbrecher and Mike Kessler attended special meeting of planning commission to hear oral presentation of the final report of the Alcona County Sports Fishing Impact Study by Scott Jordom, MSU researcher in charge of the project. (33 people).

9/17 Alpena County Courthouse - Alpena
Alpena County Parks & Recreation Commission - Lew Steinbrecher attended regular monthly meeting of Parks Commission to review progress of LaMarre Park Project and make arrangements for dedication ceremony. (17 people)

9/19 Point Beach State Park (Lodge), Two Rivers, Wisconsin
Great Lakes Idea Conference - Lew Steinbrecher attended conference sponsored by University of Wisconsin Extension Service regarding continuation of coastal management efforts at the local level after federal funds are no longer available. (44 People)

STAFF CONTACTS

Date	Person Contacted	Affiliation	Mode	Subject	Comments
		YEAR 1980			
9/2	Carl Stamm	Huron Pines RC&D	PC	Cheboygan Dam	Public access/fishing
9/2	Dave Warner	DNR/LRDD	T-R	CMP	Year-end report
9/2	Steve Swan	DNR Fisheries	PC	Cheboygan Dam	Public access/improvement
9/3	Omer LaVergne	Black River Harbor Community	T-R	Black River Mouth	Improved access
9/3	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City Planner	PC	CMP	FY 82 proposal
9/3	Tom Tolland	WHSB	PC	Thunder Bay Shipwrecks	Radio program
9/3	John Porter	Alpena C. P.C.	PC	Thunder Bay Shipwrecks	Resolution of endorsement
9/4	Peg Kohring	Nature Conservancy	T-R	El Cajon Bay	Meeting on 9/11/80
9/4	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-R	Coastal Plan	Public hearing 9/8/80
9/4	Nate Bader	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	Thunder Bay Shipwrecks	Chairman of ad-hoc comm.
9/4	George Byelich	Alcona Coop. Ext.	PC	CMP grant	Sports Fishing Industry
9/4	John Grzeskawiak	Alcona Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant	Sports Fishery Study
9/5	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co P&RC	T-W	Thunder Bay Shipwrecks	Resolution of support
9/5	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-R	El Cajon Bay	MI Land Trust Board
9/8	Ed Hagen	DNR-MLTF	T-W	El Cajon Bay	MI Land Trust Board
9/8	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP	Local grant proposals
9/10	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-R	El Cajon Bay	Results of MLTF meeting
9/11	Peg Kohring	Nature Conservancy	PC	El Cajon Bay	Property Acquisition
9/12	Bruce Andrews	DNR-Law Div.	T-W	Thunder Bay	Establish preserve
9/12	Gerry Tracey	Nickels Real Est.	T-R	El Cajon Bay	MLTF Board Mtg.
9/12	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-R	Thunder Bay Preserve	Resolution of support
9/16	Tom Woiwode	Nature Conservancy	T-W	El Cajon Bay	Property acquisition
9/16	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-R	Thunder Bay Preserve	Ad-hoc Committee
9/16	Gerry Tracey	Nickels Real Est.	T-R	El Cajon Bay	Status of MLTF Board
9/16	Dr. Rane Curl	National Speological Society	T-SW	El Cajon Bay	Status of MLTF Board
9/16	Nate Bader	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	Thunder Bay	Ad-hoc committee
9/16	D.H. Riley	Alpena Twp. Super.	PC	Warnike Marina	Possible grant money
9/25	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP	October field trip-site inspection
10/1	Tom Tolland	WHSB Radio	T-R	El Cajon Bay	MLTF proposal
10/1	Gerry Tracey	Nickels Real Est.	T-W	El Cajon Bay	MLTF proposal
10/1	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP	Site inspections
10/1	Ron Wallin	Mackinaw City Pres.	PC	CMP grant	Site inspection
10/1	Charlie Johnson	Beaugrand Twp.	PC	Zoning ordinance	Review & comment
10/2	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP	Site inspections
10/2	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Site inspection
10/2	John Grezeskowiak	Alcona Co. P.C.	PC	Sports Fisheries study	Status report
10/2	George Byelich	Alcona Coop. Ext.	PC	Sports Fisheries study	Progress of study
10/3	Al Bakalarski	City of Alpena	PC	CMP	North Riverfront Park Plan
10/7	D.H. Riley	Alpena Twp.	L-S	Warnike Marina	Public acquisition
10/9	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP	Coastal Zone 80

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10/9	Tom Tolland	WHSB Radio	T-R	Thunder Bay	Designation under PA1
10/9	Bruce Andrews	DNR Law Div.	T-W	Thunder Bay	Designation under PA1
10/9	Ed Hagen	DNR-MLTF	L-R	El Cajon Bay	Return project file
10/9	Tom Woiwode	Nature Conservancy	T-W	El Cajon Bay	Land acquisition
10/9	Gerry Tracey	Nickels Real Est.	T-W	El Cajon Bay	Land acquisition
10/9	George Byelich	Alcona Coop. Ext.	T-W	Sports Fisheries study	Questionnaire tomorrow
10/15	Bruce Andrews	DNR Law Div.	T-W	Thunder Bay	Bottomland preserve
10/15	D.H. Riley	Alpena Twp. Super.	PC	Warnike Marina	Public acquisition
10/15	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City Planner	PC	CMP	FY 82 proposal
10/17	Pam Dunham	Sen. Irwin's aide	T-R	Thunder Bay	Designation as preserve
10/20	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-R	Thunder Bay	Designation as preserve
10/20	John Schwartz	Sea grant agent	T-R	Thunder Bay	Meeting with H. Whiteley
10/20	Harry Whiteley	NRC Commissioner	T-W	Thunder Bay	Designation as preserve
10/20	Hugh Selleck	DRN-LRPD	T-W	Environmental Areas	Alpena County
10/20	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP	Coastal Zone 80
10/21	Nate Bader	Ad-hoc Committee	T-R	Thunder Bay	Progress of designation
10/22	Bruce Andrews	DNR Law Div.	T-W	Thunder Bay	Designation as preserve
10/22	Tom Tolland	WHSB Radio	T-W	Thunder Bay	Preserve Designation
10/24	Gerry Tracey	Nickels Real Est.	T-R	El Cajon Bay	Land acquisition
10/28	Pam Dunham	Sen. Irwin's Aide	L-R	Thunder Bay	Admin. rules procedure
10/28	John Porter	Alpena C. P.C.	PC	Thunder Bay	Underwater preserve
11/4	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP	Local project proposals
11/5	Tom Woiwode	Nature Conservancy	T-R	El Cajon Bay	Preservation of property
11/6	John Beckett	Private Consultant	T-R	Alcona Co. sports Fishery	Info. on impact study
11/7	Carl Stamm	Huron Pines RC&D	PC	Cheboygan Dam	Site improvements
11/10	D.H. Riley	Alpena Twp. Super.	PC	PA 245	Environmental areas
11/11	John Beckett	Beckett, Raeder Ramkin	L-R	CMP	Planning consultant
11/12	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP	Coastal Zone 80
11/12	Mike Kent	WWRM-Radio	T-R	CMP	Cheboygan Dam Project
11/13	Tom Woiwode	Nature Conservancy	T-R	El Cajon Bay	Preparing offer
11/14	Howard Anderson	Huron Co. Plan Dept.	T-R	Envir. Area	Technical zoning assis.
11/14	Hugh Selleck	DNR-LRPD	T-W	PA 245	Environmental areas
11/14	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP	Local match to grants
11/14	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Committee	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Low-cost construction
11/14	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-W	How-cost const.	Local match
11/14	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City	T-T	CMP grant	Local match
11/14	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Project proposals	Summary of local match
11/14	Dr. Christie-Mill	MSU-Parks & Rec	T-W	Tourist industry	Study of N.E. Michiga
11/19	Eric Mitchell	WBKB-TV Alpena	T-R	CMP grants	Review of local grant awarded
11/19	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	Thunder Bay bottom land	Preserve designation
11/19	Nate Bader	Ad-hoc Committee Chairman	PC	Thunder Bay	Preserve designation
11/19	Bill Jackson	WBKB-TV	PC	CMP grants	Local projects awarde
11/20	Mike Kent	WNRM-Radio	T-R	CMP grants	Local projects awarded
11/20	John Schwartz	Sea Grant	T-R	Thunder Bay Bottomlands	Result of public hearin
11/21	Dr. Christie-Mill	MSU Professor	L-R	Huron Shores Tourism	Project report
11/21	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Fy 80 CMP	Year-end fiscal repor
11/21	Hugh Selleck	DNR-LRPD	T-R	PA 245	Environmental areas
11/21	Nancy Sanford	Presque Isle Lighthouse	T-R	Lighthouse	Closed the Twp. park

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11/24	Mitch Irwin	State Senator	PC	Chief Wawatum	Railcar ferry service
12/2	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP Local Project	Site inspection tour
12/3	Art Caden	DNR-Gaylord	T-L	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Chemical dumping
12/3	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Base map for design
12/3	Tom Tolland	WHSB-Radio	T-R	News	Presque Isle Lighthouse
12/4	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP local projects	Site inspection
12/4	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Base map needed
12/4	Irv Sim	SCS	T-W	LaMarre Park	Base map
12/5	Bob Riecks	Alpena Col P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Site inspection
12/5	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	Harbor improvements	Site inspection
12/5	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-W	Low-cost const.	Site inspection
12/5	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	T-SW	Cheboygan Marsh	boardwalk design
12/5	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	T-R	Lighthouses	Recreational potential
12/5	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Low-cost const.	Finalize schedule
12/5	Omer LaVergne	Black River Harbor Comm.	T-R	Black River Mouth	Harbor improvements
12/8	Pete Lazdins	U of M student	T-R	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Tour of property
12/9	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP local projects	Site inspections
12/9	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP local projects	New contact person
12/9	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	PC	Low-cost const.	Discuss specific tasks
12/9	Bob Riecks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	Low-cost const.	Refine tasks at LaMarre
12/9	Nancy Sandford	Presque Isle Park	PC	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Possible CMP project next year
12/10	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP Local projects	Site inspection
12/10	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP Local projects	Landscape designs
12/10	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	PC	Low-cost const.	Discuss work tasks
12/10	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	PC	Cheboygan marsh	Boardwalk & observation tower
12/10	Jim Muschell	Cheboygan City Councilman	PC	Cheboygan Marsh	Will engineer the project
12/12	Gerry Harsch	Planning & Design Association	T-W	Rogers City Project	Interpretive signs
12/12	Janet Kreger	MI History Div.	T-W	Presque Isle Lighthouse	National register
12/12	Mark Wyckoff	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Presque Isle Twp.	Zoning ordinance
12/15	Russ Moore	Presque Isle Twp. P.C.	T-W	Presque Isle Twp.	Zoning ordinance
12/15	Mike Barnett	Presque Isle Twp. Super.	T-W	Presque Isle Twp.	Lighthouse park property
12/15	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	I-R	LaMarre Park	Water level of river
12/17	John Bowen	Alpena Power Co.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Fluctuation of water level
12/17	Tom Tolland	WHSB Radio	T-W	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Any new developments

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12/17	Neil Whitsitt	Presque Isle County	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Improvements at 40 Mile Pt. Park
12/17	Nancy Sandford	Presque Isle Twp.	T-W	Lighthouse park	Meet at P.I. Club House
12/18	Bob Peltz	Lighthouse Caretaker	T-W	40 Mile Pt. Lighthouse	Possible CMP grant
12/19	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Property ownership
12/19	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	Mill Creek Mouth	Property ownership
12/20	Nancy Sandford	Lighthouse Caretaker	PC	Presque Isle Lighthouse	CMP grant proposal
12/20	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	PC	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Site design & plan
12/22	Romeo Pinto	U.S. Army Corps	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Property boundary
12/22	Dean Rosera	Bureau of Land Management	T-T	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Property survey map
12/22	Tom Hendricks	Scott Assoc.	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Survey map
12/22	Frank Barnes	Bureau of Land Mgt.	T-T	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Property survey map
12/22	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Property boundary map
12/30	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Property survey map
		YEAR 1981			
1/6	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Thunder Bay Lighthouse	OSCG Lighthouse
1/6	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	T-R	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Site design
1/7	Nancy Sandford	Presque Isle Lighthouse	T-W	Soil Test Results	No 245T, but found DDT
1/7	Dick Dahlquist	Consumers Power Co.	T-R	Rockport Sinkhole	Copy of management study
1/7	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	T-T	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Site design study
1/9	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning & Design	T-R	Interpretive signs	Rogers City & Cheboygan
1/9	Nancy Sandford	Presque Isle Lighthouse	T-R	Soil testing	MDPH-no public health hazard
1/13	John Walters	NEMEDA	T-W	Thunder Bay	Shipwrecks preserve
1/13	Robin Spencer	Presque Isle Twp.	T-W	Lighthouse Park	Twp. Bd. reopened park
1/13	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	T-CC	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Proceed with design study
1/13	Nancy Sandford	Presque Isle Lighthouse	T-CC	Park design study	Site inspection needed
1/14	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	PC	CMP grant	Interpretive signs
1/14	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	PC	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Design alternatives
1/14	Carl Stamm	Huron Pines RC&D	PC	Cheboygan Dam	Measure plan completed
1/15	John Walters	NEMEDA	PC	Mackinac Straits	Maritime history-the Chief

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1/15	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	PC	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Information for study
1/20	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	PC	CMP grant	Apply for permit
1/22	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP	Local grant proposals
1/22	Tom Segall	DNR-Geology Div.	T-W	Mine Reclamation plans	3 quarries in region
1/22	Bob Allen	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Mine reclamation
1/22	Jack Moeller	U.S. Steel	T-W	Mine reclamation	Calcite quarry
1/22	Walt Dowd	Huron Portland Cement	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Mine reclamation
1/22	Osmond Sandford	Presque Isle Lighthouse	T-W	NOAA Lake Chart	Depth soundings & shipwrecks
1/22	George Byelich	Alcona County CES	PC	Sports fisheries study	Preliminary report
1/22	Scott Jordon	MSU student	PC	Sports fisheries study	Preliminary report on study
1/22	Jack Houghton	Alcona Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant proposal	Harrisville Rec. Area
1/23	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-R	CMP grant	DNR & MDOT permit
1/23	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W T-R	Alcona Co. Sports Fisheries	Results of preliminary study
1/23	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	NEMCOG CMP grant	Revisions to work program
1/23	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP RFP	Local project proposal
1/26	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Retainer wall for Mill Creek
1/26	Don Cross	Alpena Housing Com.	PC	CMP proposal	Stony Pt. site design
1/26	Scott Jordon	MSU student	L-S	Alcona Co. project	Great Lakes sports fisheries study
1/26	Del Porter	Spens Const.	T-W	Surf Park Plant	Year old fill permit
1/27	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Surf Park Plant	DNR 346 Permit denial
1/27	Keith Kruger	Alpena Twp. Super.	T-W	CMP	Possible grant proposal
1/27	Dick Sellá	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	CMP grant	Property owner agreement
1/27	Mike Kavanaugh	Cheboygan Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant proposal	Management plan
1/27	Auggie Blome	Cheb. CES Dir.	PC	CMP grant proposal	Management plan
1/28	Chris Shafer	DNR-Shorelands Chief	T-R	Alcona Co. Fisheries Study	Comments on study results
1/28	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-W	MDOT permit	Chain & bollard on coastal project
1/28	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CEIP	Oil & Gas impact study
1/28	Craig Smith	DNR-Roscommon	T-W	346 Permit Denial	Spens const.-Surf Park Plat
1/29	Glen Highfield	D&M RR Co.	T-W	CEIP	Coal shipments to coastal towns
1/29	Ray Alanen	P.I. Co. P.C.	T-W	346 Permit denied	Minutes of meeting
1/29	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	APC nomination	Regional review

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1/29	Irwin Simi	Alpena SCS	T-R	LaMarre Park	Info. on 346 permit application
1/30	Herb Claus	Presque Isle Co. P.C.	T-W	Spens permit	Discussion at P.C. mtg.
1/30	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP-FY 81	NEMCOG's work program
1/30	Chris Duncan	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CEIP	Alternative energy development
1/30	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CEIP	Wind power generation
2/2	Pat O'Connell	EPA consultant	T-R	Public Access Site	List of public beaches
2/2	Gerry Tracy	Nickels Real Est.	T-W	El Cajon Bay	Any property sold
2/2	Charlie Johnson	Beaugrand Twp.	T-W	CMP grant	Twp property on Lake Huron
2/2	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	T-W	CMP grant	Seawall research & development
2/2	Garry Harsch	Land Planning	T-W	Mackinaw City	1979 Design study
2/2	Keith Kruger	Alpena Twp. Super.	PC	CMP grant	Warnike Marina feasibility study
2/3	John Walters	NEMEDA	T-R	CMP grant	Warnike Marina feasibility study
2/3	Ron Wallin	Mackinaw City	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Phase II low-cost construction
2/3	Bob Allen	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Mine reclamation study
2/3	John Schwartz	Sea Grant Agent	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Warnike Marina study
2/3	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	NEMCOG contract	Revised work program
2/3	Mike Barnett	Presque Isle Twp. Super.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Twp. board meeting
2/3	Joanne Szczukowski	WATZ-Radio	T-R	Warnike Marina	Feasibility study
2/3	Doug Nickles	U of M student	T-R	Master's thesis	Alpena waterfront design study
2/3	Bob Riecks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Status of project
2/4	Tom Freeland	Johnson & Anderson	T-W	Island Mgt. study	Request copy of report
2/4	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City Planner	T-W	CMP grant	3 separate proposals
2/5	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP project	Harrisville & Alpena
2/5	Judy Shillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-R	CMP grant proposal	Tourist development study
2/5	Tom Tolland	WHSB-Radio	T-R	Coastal project	U of M student design project
2/5	Nate Bader	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	Thunder Bay	Shipwrecks preserve
2/5	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	CMP grant	Low-cost construction
2/5	Jack Houghton	Alcona Co. P&RC	T-R	CMP grant	Harrisville Rec. Area
2/5	Dale Huggler	Chairman, Alpena Bd.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Necessary local match
2/6	Don Williams	Alcona Co. Coordinator	T-W	CMP projects	Several ideas for proposals
2/6	Judy Schillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Tourist strategy project
2/6	Charlie Johnson	Beaugrand Twp.	T-R	Lake Huron property	Twp may receive land grant
2/6	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Coastal Mgt. plan
2/6	Nate Bader	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Coastal land use plan
2/6	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	NEMCOG FY 81 CMP	Contract approved

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2/9	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	T-R	Presque Isle Lighthouse	History of area
2/9	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP grant applicants	EDC's are eligible
2/9	Nancy Sandford	Presque Isle Twp.	T-W	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Organized activities
2/9	John Schwartz	MI Sea Grant	T-R	CMP grant proposal	Marina feasibility study
2/9	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	CMP grant	Work at mouth of Mill Creek
2/9	Mike Barnett	Presque Isle Twp.	PC	CMP grant	Presque Isle Lighthouse
2/10	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	L-S	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Design study
2/10	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City Planner	T-W	CMP grant proposals	Three separate projects
2/10	Lee Washburn	Century 21 Real Est.	T-R	Whitefish Bay	MI Land Trust Fund
2/10	Jim Canfield	Alpena City P.C.	T-R	CMP grant proposals	City intends to apply
2/10	Steve Swan	DNR Fisheries	T-R	Cheboygan Dam	CMP proposal
2/11	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-R	CMP grant	Coastal management study
2/12	George Byelich	Alcona CES	T-R	CMP grant	Mtg. on proposals
2/17	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Alpena Co. P&RC	LaMarre Park project
2/17	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park project	Local match to project
2/18	Dick Dahlquist	Consumers Power	PC	NATRAC	Cheboygan Dam project
2/18	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City Planner	PC	CMP projects	Proposal for program
2/18	Dale Huggler	Alpena Co. Bd.	PC	LaMarre Park	Low-cost construction
2/18	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Low-cost construction
2/18	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	CMP proposal	County coastal mgt. plan
2/18	Lee Washburn	Cross Realty	PC	White Fish Bay	Land trust fund proposal
2/19	Frank Krist	Fisheries Committee	T-R	CMP proposal	P.I. Co. fishing study
2/19	John Walters	NEMEDA	T-W	CMP proposal	P.I. Co. fishing study
2/19	Howard Tanner	DNR Director	PC	CMP	A well-liked DNR program
2/19	Harry Whiteley	NRC Commissioner	PC	CMP	Rogers City project
2/19	Steve Swann	DNR-fisheries	PC	CMP	Cheboygan Dam project
2/19	Jack Wilson	Travel Bureau Dir.	PC	Lake Huron Shore	Tourist attractions
2/19	Dale Huggler	Alpena Co. Bd. Chairman	PC	LaMarre Park	Low-cost construction
2/19	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Revise grant budget
2/19	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Committed to project
2/20	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Progress by Co. P&RC
2/20	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Revise budget
2/20	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Pilings for boardwalk
2/20	Tom Freeland	Johnson & Anderson	T-R	Island Mgt study	Copy in mail
2/23	Ron Wallin	Mackinaw City	T-R	CMP proposal	Low-cost construction
2/24	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Private property agreement
2/24	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	Harbor project	Work at mouth of creek
2/24	Ron Wallin	Mackinaw City Mayor	PC	CMP grant proposal	Low-cost construction
2/24	Mike Kavanaugh	Cheboygan Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant proposal	Coastal resources study
2/25	Bob Massey	Massey Const. Co.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Drive pilings
2/25	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	T-W	LaMarre Park	Engineering design work
2/25	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Revise project budget

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2/25	Bob Riecks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Revise project budget
2/25	Dave Vesey	Massey Const. Co.	PC	LaMarre Park	Drive wood pilings
2/25	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	PC	LaMarre Park	Design boardwalk
2/25	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Contract ready
2/25	Don Williams	Alcona Co. Coord.	L-W	CMP grant proposal	Resolution of support
2/25	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Revise project budget
3/2	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	T-R	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Progress on site design study
3/2	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Review proposal of mtg.
3/3	Judy Schillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-W	CMP grant	Proposal prepared
3/4	John Walters	NEMEDA	PC	Lake Huron	Tourism potential
3/4	Dennis Bodem	Besser Museum	PC	Thunder Bay	Rich maritime heritage
3/4	Joe Maxwell	Alcona Co. EDC	PC	CMP grant	Draft proposal
3/4	John Schwartz	Sea Grant District Agent	PC	Lake Huron	Charter boat operators
3/4	Louis Twarzik	MSU-Parks & Rec.	PC	Lake Huron tourism	Economic research study
3/4	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant	Coastal project proposal
3/4	Casey Cohen	Alpena C of C	PC	Alpena/Thunder Bay	Tourist attractions
3/4	Jim Hall	EMTA Director	PC	Lake Huron	Great Lakes sports fishing
3/4	Marilyn Ross	Fletcher Motel Mngr.	PC	Alpena area	Toruism development
3/4	Delphine Weisl	Oscoda C of C	PC	Great Lakes fisheries	Economic impact study
3/5	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Project go.
3/5	Tom Freeland	Johnson & Anderson	L-R	Island Mgt.	Copy of report
3/5	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Project ready to go
3/5	Bob Riecks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Project go.
3/5	Don Williams	Alcona Co. Coord.	PC	CMP grant	Resolution of support
3/5	Jack Houghton	Alcona Co. P&RC	PC	CMP grant	Harrisville Rec Area
3/6	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant proposal	Coastal development study
3/6	Ron Wallin	Mack. City Pres.	T-R	CMP grant	Phase II low-cost const.
3/6	Gary Harsch	Land Planning & Design	T-R	Mack. City	CMP design study
3/9	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	T-W	LaMarre Park	Engineering boardwalk
3/9	Bob Massey	Massey Const. Co.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Wood pilings for boardwalk
3/9	Dave Vesey	Massey Const. Co.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Installation of wood pilings
3/10	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Pilings not required
3/10	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Send over revised budget
3/10	Dave Vesey	Massey Const. Co.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Estimate to drive pilings
3/11	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Not to revise budget
3/11	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	T-W	LaMarre Park	Base for boardwalk
3/11	Irv Simi	Alpena SCS	T-R	LaMarre Park	Bank treatment
3/11	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Site design on park
3/11	Pete Lazdins	U of M student	T-R	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Site design on park
3/12	Chris Shafer	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Project administration
3/12	Dale Huggler	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Revised budget
3/12	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	PC	LaMarre Park	Construction drawings

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3/12	Bob Riecks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Revise budget
3/13	Roy Hutchinson	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Rip rap material
3/16	Neil Steinorth	Presque Isle Corp.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Rip rap material
3/16	Judy Shillair	Alcona Co. E.D.C.	T-R	CMP grant	Reviewed proposal
3/16	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Revised budget
3/17	Neil Steinorth	Presque Isle Corp.	PC	LaMarre Park	Riprap material
3/17	Jerry Jasinski	Alcona Co. Comm.	T-W	Fishing Implementation	Alcona Co. EDC grant proposal
3/17	Ed Bartos	Alcona Co. Comm.	T-W	Alcona Co. EDC grant	Necessary local match
3/17	Judy Shillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Necessary local match
3/17	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Questions on budget
3/17	Dale Huggler	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Project Administration
3/17	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Revised budget
3/17	Bruce Andrews	DNR-Law Div.	T-R	Thunder Bay Bottomlands	Underwater preserve
3/17	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Contract in mail to P&RC
3/18	Judy Schillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-W	CMP grant proposal	EDC mtg. tonight
3/19	Everett Goodrich	Construction Co.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Haul stone to park
3/19	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	T-W	Cheboygan Marsh	Construction of board-walk
3/19	Gordon Anderson	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Obtaining sub-contracts	Send brochure
3/19	Bob Riecks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Contract came in
3/19	Dale Huggler	Alpena Co. Comm.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Contract came in
3/19	JoAnne Szczukowski	WATZ Radio-Alpena	T-R	LaMarre Park	CMP grant awarded
3/19	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Revised budget okay
3/19	Bob Allen	Presque Isle Corp.	PC	LaMarre Park	Shot stone for riprap
3/19	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Project administration
3/20	Judy Shillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-R	CMP grant proposal	Supported by County Board
3/20	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	T-W	Cheboygan Marsh	Work on obardwalk
3/20	Jim Muschell	United Design	T-W	Cheboygan Marsh	Boardwalk support pilings
3/20	Stan Neff	Durocher Dock & Dredge	T-W	Cheboygan Marsh	Progression boardwalk pilings
3/20	Mark Pruchnicki	Cheb. Daily Tribune	T-W	Cheboygan Marsh	B&W photos of boardwalk work
3/23	Everett Goodrich	Alpena area hauler	T-R	LaMarre Park	Bid to haul shot stone
3/24	Mark Pruchnicki	Cheb. Daily Tribune	T-W	Cheb. Marsh	Photos of boardwalk work
3/24	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Cheboygan Dam	Contingency project
3/24	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek mouth work
3/24	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-R	LaMarre Park	Review work elements
3/24	Carl Stamm	Huron Pines RC&D	T-W	Cheboygan Dam	Action measure proposal
3/25	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Review proposed improve-ments
3/25	Salina LaLonde	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Signed contracts
3/25	John Walters	MIWPA	PC	Lake Huron	History of logging towns
3/26	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP	Congressional support
3/26	Jim Lappan	Landscaping contr.	T-L	LaMarre Park	Develop specs on work
3/27	Milton Nosko	Nosko Construction	T-W	Partridge Pt.	Proposed marina facility
3/30	Jim Lappan	Lappan Landscaping	T-R	LaMarre Park	Bid on tree plantings
3/30	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Engineering & hauling bids

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3/30	Everett Goodrich	Goodrich Const.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Bid to haul stone
3/30	Bruce Andrews	DNR-Law Div.	T-W	Thunder Bay	Preserve Designation process
3/30	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Adopt resolution
3/30	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-R	LaMarre Park	Wood benches
3/30	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Progress report
3/30	Al Nickels	Nickel's Nursery	T-R	LaMarre Park	Planting subcontract
3/30	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Meet at park tomorrow
4/1	Milt Nosko	Nosko Builders	PC	Partridge Pt.	Review dredge/fill premit application
4/1	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	PC	LaMarre Park	Bank profiles for permit
4/1	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk construction
4/1	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk constructio
4/1	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	PC	LaMarre Park	Planting plan
4/1	Jacob Recbel	Northland Nurseries	PC	LaMarre Park	Planting plan
4/1	Bob Allen	Presque Isle Corp.	PC	LaMarre Park	Shot stone-rip rap
4/1	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant proposal	County coastal mgt. p n
4/2	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Landscaping bids
4/2	Don Williams	Alcona Co. Coord.	PC	CMP continuation	Letter of support
4/3	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	DSS Labor & landscaping
4/3	Gerry Harsch	Land planning	T-W	LaMarre Park	Fish info sign.
4/3	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-W	CMP grant	Progress on project
4/3	John Weber	DNR-Great Lakes fisheries	T-W	LaMarre Park	Fisherman's info sign.
4/6	Steve Swan	DNR-Fisheries Gaylord	T-L	LaMarre Park	Info for fishermen's s gr
4/6	Steve Wright	Cheb. City Mgr.	T-W	Cheboygan Marsh	Nature interpretive signs
4/8	Steve Swan	DNR-Fisheries Gaylord	PC	LaMarre Park	Fisherman's info sign
4/8	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City Planners	PC	CMP	Grant proposals
4/8	Dick Dahlquist	Consumers Power Co.	PC	Cheboygan Dam	Status of project
4/8	Jack Mueller	U.S. Steel	PC	Calcite Quarry	Mine reclamation study
4/8	George Carpenter	P.S.C.	PC	CEIP study	Gas pipeline study
4/9	Larry Rattel	Alpena City Assessor	T-W	LaMarre Park	Local building permit
4/10	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Status of Mill Creek mouth
4/10	Jim Lappan	Lappan's Landscaping	T-R	LaMarre Park	Planting bid
4/10	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek mouth landscaping
4/13	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	T-W	LaMarre Park	Status of profiles
4/13	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek mouth landscaping
4/15	Howard Tanner	DNR Director	L-R	Cheboygan Dam	Public access improvement
4/15	Don Williams	Alcona Co. Coord.	L-R	CZM Program	Support continued appropriations
4/15	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Low-cost construction project
4/15	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Landscape & hauling bids

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4/15	Omer LaVergne	Alcona Twp.	T-W	Black River	Rubber tire breakwater
4/15	Lucille Gillard	Alcona Historical Society	T-W	Sturgeon Pt. Lighthouse	Restoration project
4/16	Dorothy Wallin	Mack. City Village Clerk	T-W	CMP proposal	Site inspection
4/16	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	T-W	Rogers City Lakefront	Site inspection
4/16	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-W	Rogers City Lakefront	Site inspection
4/16	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP projects	May site inspections
4/16	Lucille Gillard	Alcona Historical Society	L-S	Sturgeon Pt.	Lighthouse restoration
4/16	Bob Allen	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Shot stone for boardwalk
4/16	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	PC	LaMarre Park	Construction drawings
4/16	Larry Rattel	Alpena City Bldg. Twp	PC	LaMarre Park	P.A. 347 permit
4/16	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre park	Park benches
4/16	Omer LaVergne	Alcona Twp	PC	Black River	Sports fishing-harbor
4/16	Scott Jordon	MSU graduate student	PC	Alcona Co. P.C.	Sports fishing study
4/16	George Byelich	Alcona CES grant	PC	Sports fishing study	Preliminary report
4/16	John Schwartz	Sea Grant Agent	PC	Sports fishing study	Review report
4/16	Bob Reicke	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Landscaping-hauling bids
4/16	Martin Thomas	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk construction
4/17	Roger Glawe	Glawe, Inc.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Stone hauling
4/17	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Haul stone to park
4/20	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Landscaping & hauling bids O.K.
4/20	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	T-W	LaMarre Park	Landscaping bid accepted
4/22	Neil Steinorth	Presque Isle Corp.	PC	Stoneport	Quarry rock
4/22	Dan Glawe	Glawe, Inc.	PC	LaMarre	Haul quarry rock
4/22	Jim Young	Presque Isle Corp.	PC	Stoneport	Quarry rock
4/22	Tom Hendricks	Scott Engineering	PC	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk construction
4/22	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Progress on project
4/22	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	PC	LaMarre Park	Landscaping project
4/23	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	PC	CMP grant	Progress on project
4/23	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk & landscaping
4/23	Walt Dowd	Huron Portland Cement	PC	Cement & Plant	Tour of facility
4/23	George Morrow	Laketree Nursery	T-R	LaMarre Park	Landscaping contract
4/23	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-R	LaMarre Park	Landscaping bids
4/24	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-R	Mill Creek mouth	Contacted private owner
4/24	George Morrow	Laketree Nursery	T-W	LaMarre Park	Reconsider his bid
4/28	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-R	LaMarre Park	Landscaping bids
4/28	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Landscaping bids
4/30	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP grants	Site inspection tour
4/30	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Landscaping bids
5/2	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Landscaping bids
5/4	George Morrow	Laketree Nursery	T-R	LaMarre park	Landscaping bid
5/4	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-N	CMP projects	Site inspection
5/4	Walt Dowd	Huron-Portland Cement	T-W	Cement Plant	Tour of facility
5/4	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Review at P.C. mtg.
5/4	Ron Wallin	Mack. City Pres.	T-R	CMP grant proposal	Site inspection
5/5	Judy Schillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-N	CMP grant proposal	Review proposal May 7

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5/5	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP projects	Site inspections
5/5	Ron Wallin	Mack. City Pres.	PC	CMP grant proposal	Low-cost construction
5/5	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	PC	Cheboygan Marsh	Boardwalk inspection
5/5	Mason Shouder	DNR-fisheries	PC	Cheboygan Dam	Erosion control-public access
5/6	Don Walker	Straits Aggregate	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Treated RR ties for landscaping
5/6	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP grant	Site inspection
5/6	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	PC	CMP grant	Site inspection
5/6	Walter Dowd	Huron-Portlant Cement	PC	Cement plant	Tour of industrial facility
5/6	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	CMP grant proposal	Coastal development plan
5/7	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	PC	LaMarre Park	Inspect planting stock
5/7	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City	PC	CMP grant proposal	Site inspection
5/7	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Site inspection
5/7	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Construction activities
5/7	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Concrete for boardwalk
5/7	Judy Schillair	Alcona Co. EDC	PC	CMP grant proposal	Great Lakes fishing
5/7	Joe Maxwell	Alcona Co. EDC	PC	CMP grant proposal	Great Lakes fishing
5/7	George Byelich	Alcona Co. CES	PC	Fishing Impact study	Fall questionnaire report
5/7	Lucille Gillard	Alcona Historical Society	PC	Sturgeon Pt. Lighthouse	Possible museum
5/7	Dick Silla	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	PC	CMP grant	Landscaping of harbor
5/7	Jack Houghton	Alcona Co. P.C.	PC	Fishing impact study	Report of special mtg.
5/8	Craig Smith	DNR-Submerged lands	T-W	LaMarre Park	346 permit application
5/8	Walt Dowd	Huron-Portland Cement	L-S	LaMarre Park	Donate cement for boardwalk
5/8	Bruce Maxwell	Alpena News	T-W	LaMarre Park	News coverage of project
5/8	George Lintz	Shoreland Ad. Council	T-W	Regional grant proposals	Review of proposals
5/11	Osmond Sandford	Presque Isle Lighthouse	T-W	Lighthouse	Township park status
5/11	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	SAC	NE representative for meeting
5/11	Judy Schillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-W	SAC review	CMP grant proposal
5/12	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Tree plantings
5/12	Lucille Gillard	Alcona Hts. Soc.	T-W	Sturgeon Pt. Light	State hisotrical register
5/12	Irv Kuehner	DNR-Geologist	T-R	Sinkholes	El Cajon Bay
5/12	Jon Roethel	DNR-Geology Div.	T-W	Rogers City Project	Sanddune interpretation
5/13	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Trees planted
5/14	Tom Alley	State representative	L-R	Great Lakes Fishing	Alcona Co. study
5/14	Jon Roethel	DNR-Geology Div.	L-R	Sand dune	Information requested
5/14	Martin Janereth	DNR-LRPD	T-R	High Risk Erosion areas	Property owners

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5/18	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	346 permit application
5/18	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Zoning	Coastal site designs
5/18	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Site improvement plan
5/19	Peter Lazdins	U of M student	T-W	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Site design
5/19	Carl Stamm	Huron Pines RC&D	T-W	Cheboygan Dam	Status of public improvements
5/19	Oscar Sundstrom	Sault Ste. Marie	T-W	Coastal Dev. Plan	Implementation of plan
5/20	Dick Sikkenga	DNR-Roscommon	T-W	346 permit application	LaMarre issued--Nosko denied
5/20	Neil Steinorth	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Ready to haul shot rock
5/20	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Permit issued
5/20	Dan Glawe	Glaw, Inc.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Haul shot stone
5/20	Steve Wright	City of Cheboygan	PC	Boardwalk	Interpretive signs
5/20	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP proposals	Coastal Dev. plans
5/20	Willard LeClair	Alcona Twp Super.	T-W	Black River	River mouth & fishing
5/21	Dan Glawe	Glawe, Inc.	PC	LaMarre Park	Haul rip-rap to banks
5/21	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Drain lowered for boardwalk
5/21	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	346 permit received
5/21	Larry Rattel	City of Alpena	PC	LaMarre Park	347 permit issued
5/21	Stan James	County Equalization Dept.	PC	Alpena HREA's	Property owner information
5/21	Bob Allen	Presque Isle Corp.	PC	LaMarre Park	Concrete aggregate
5/22	Walter Dowd	Huron Cement	T-R	LaMarre Park	Will not donate cement
5/26	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	No concrete bids
5/26	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Order concrete locally
5/26	Ralph Miller	Haynes Twp. Z.C.	T-W	Haynes Twp. Plan	Implementation of goals
5/26	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	T-W	Mill Creek Mouth	Saxton property
5/26	Glen Highfield	D&M Railway	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	RR ties for stairway
5/26	Bill Farrow	Harrisville Resident	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek Improvement
5/26	Bill Saxton	Property Owner	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	North boundary of Mill Creek
5/27	Fred Becker	Alcona Co. Rd. Comm.	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	347 permit
5/27	Lowell Thomas	Tawas City Mgr.	PC	Tourism	Lake Huron attractions
5/27	Roy Hutchinson	Presque Isle Corp.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Limestone aggregate
5/28	Ed Price	National Gypsum	T-W	LaMarre Park	Cement for concrete
5/28	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-W	CMP grant	Interpretive signs
5/28	Ron Wallin	Mackinaw City	L-R	CMP project	Signs mounted
5/28	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP proposal	Coastal Development Plans
5/28	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P & RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Broadwalk construction
5/28	Tom Alley	State Representative	T-R	CMP grant proposal	Support for Alcona EDC
5/29	Paul Rabbitoe	Alpena News	T-CC	LaMarre Park	News article
6/3	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Needs to be rewritten

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6/3	Dan Glawe	Glawe, Inc.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Stone for Boardwalk
6/4	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	NEMCOG to revise proposal
6/4	Tim Reardon	MDOC-Travel Bureau	T-W	Tourism Develop. Strategy	Lake Huron in Alcona/ Alpena Co.
6/4	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Grant contract ready to go
6/4	William Saxton	Saxton Property	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek Streambed improvement
6/4	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	CMP Grant Proposal	Revise County Planning Proposal
6/4	Dennis Bodem	Jesse Besser Museum	T-W	Tourism Assoc.	Underwater preserve
6/4	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	T-W	Mill Creek	Saxton property
6/5	Peter Lazdins	U of M Student	T-W	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Master's Thesis work
6/5	Neil Steinorth	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Stone for Boardwalk foundation
6/5	Dick Sella	Harbor Commission	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Saxton Property - Mill Creek
6/5	Bill Saxton	Property owner	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek Improvement
6/5	Roger Rehberg	UGLRC	PC	CMP grant proposal	Tourism plan for Lake Huron
6/8	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	New sketch for Mill Creek
6/8	John Ververka	Interpretive Assoc.	T-R	Interpretive Signs	Rogers City-Alpena-Harrisville
6/8	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning	T-R	Interpretive Signs	Rogers City-Alpena-Harrisville
6/8	Stan James	Alpena Equalization	T-W	Tax Maps	High Risk Erosion Area
6/9	Ed Price	National Gypsum	T-W	LaMarre Park	Cement for concrete
6/9	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk construction
6/9	Gerry Harsch	Planning & Design	PC	Fiberglass Signs	Low-cost construction signs
6/10	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk rip-rap stone
6/10	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Boardwalk foundation
6/10	Stan James	Alpena Equalization	PC	HREA's	Property Owners
6/11	John Vernerka	Interpretive Assoc.	PC	Fiberglass Signs	CMP Projects
6/11	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP grant proposals	Discuss and review
6/11	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP grant proposals	Discuss and review
6/11	Martin Jannereth	DNR-LRPD	PC	HREA's	Property owners
6/12	Neil Steinorth	Presque Isle Corp.	L-R	LaMarre Park	$ value of rock donated
6/12	Roy Hutchinson	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Concrete for boardwalk
6/12	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Go on the concrete
6/12	Steve Swan	DNR-Fisheries	T-L	LaMarre Park	No Coho salmon
6/12	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	T-W	CMP Project	Boardwalk construction
6/12	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Lumber for boardwalk
6/15	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Financial papers
6/15	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	T-W	LaMarre Park	Landscaping-trees
6/15	Dennis Bodem	Jesse Besser Museum	T-W	LaMarre Park	Historical sign
6/15	Tom Schroeder	East Central Mi. Reg.	T-W	Lake Huron Shores	Tourism Study

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6/15	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning Assoc.	T-W	Interpretive Signs	Submit proposal
6/15	George Byelich	Alcona Co. CES	T-W	Historical Society	Shipwrecks
6/15	Wess Law	Local historian	T-W	LaMarre Park	Historical signage
6/15	Janet Weiss	Alpena Aggregate	T-W	LaMarre Park	Topsoil Bid
6/15	C.J. Coping	Coping Gravel	T-W	LaMarre Park	Topsoil Bid
6/15	Richard Dault	Dault Sand & Gravel	T-W	LaMarre Park	Topsoil Bid
6/15	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Financial reporting
6/15	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Financial reporting
6/18	Osmund Sandford	Lighthouse Caretaker	T-W	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Improvement plan
6/18	Russ Moore	P.I. Twp. P.C.	L-S	Presque Isle Lighthouse	Lighthouse Study
6/18	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Construction Progress
6/18	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Construction Progress
6/18	Wess Law	Alpena historian	PC	LaMarre Park	Local history sign for park
6/18	George Baker	Alpena resident	PC	Thunder Bay	Underwater preserve
6/20	John Swartz	Sea Grant Agent	PC	Thunder Bay	Underwater preserve
6/20	Lucille Gillard	Alcona Historical Society	PC	Sturgeon Pt. Lighthouse	Maritime Museum
6/20	George Byelich	Alcona CES	PC	Shipwrecks	SHIPS presentation
6/22	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-R	LaMarre Park	Concrete cap poured
6/22	Bill Saxton	Property owner	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek Project okay
6/22	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP grant proposal	Land Management Plan
6/22	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP grant proposals	Budget reduced
6/29	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning	T-R	Fiberglass signs	Bid prepared - will submit
6/29	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek Project okay
6/29	Earl Dubey	Alpena Aggregate	T-W	LaMarre Park	133 yards of topsoil delivered
6/29	Martin Janereth	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Alpena Co. HREA's	Need more property owners
6/30	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Jackowiak's contract
6/30	Joan Thoman	Alpena Co. Treasurer	T-W	LaMarre Park	Financial Records
6/30	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD-CMP	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Revised budget
6/30	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	T-W	CMP grant	Revised Budget-Contract
6/30	Judy Schillair	Alcona Co. EDC	T-W	FY 82 grant proposal	Possiblity of funding
6/30	Len Wallace	Huron Portland Cement	T-W	LaMarre Park	Cement donation to Boardwalk
7/1	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Financial records
7/1	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Status of Construction
7/1	John Swise	Harrisville DDA	PC	Downtown Harrisville	Coastal Park Improvements
7/2	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning	PC	Interpretive Signs	Fiberglass embeddments

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7/2	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	PC	CMP Grant	Harrisville Harbor Project
7/6	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Local contractor okay
7/6	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	T-W	Harbor Project	Local contractor okay
7/6	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Financial Report
7/6	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	New Contract Agreemen
7/6	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Financial Statement
7/7	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-W	Nature Signs	Review bid proposals
7/8	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	T-W	Construction Project	Local contractors
7/8	Doc Carpenter	Harrisville Harbor Commission	T-W	Harbor Project	Local contractors
7/9	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	PC	CMP Project	Fiberglass signs
7/9	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Financial Report
7/9	Bob French	Alpena Co. Commissioner	PC	LaMarre Park	Financial Report
7/9	Joe LaMa-re	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Financial Report
7/9	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Employment Contract
7/9	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	PC	LaMarre Park	Changes in Plantings
7/13	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Changes in planting Plan
7/13	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning	T-R	Fiberglass Signs	Status of local decisions
7/13	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Federal ID Number
7/13	Pete Brennan	Huron Portland Cement	T-R T-R	LaMarre Park	Donated cement for
7/14	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Comm.	T-W	Harbor Project	Federal ID #
7/14	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-R	CMP Grant	Any offical word
7/14	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Cement donated
7/16	Jim Hundiak	Local contractor	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Liability insurance
7/16	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Liability insurance
7/16	John Ververka	Interpretive Assoc.	T-R	Fiberglass Signs	Local decision
7/16	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Financial Statement
7/17	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Fiberglass signs
7/20	George Morrow	Laketree Nursery	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Tree planting bid
7/21	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Metal stand for signs
7/21	Dick Jackowiak	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Progress of Project
7/21	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	PC	LaMarre Park	Planting of shrubs
7/21	Irv Simi	Alpena SCS	PC	LaMarre Park	Ground cover for bank
7/21	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	PC	Harrisville Harbor	Construction activities
7/22	Martin Jannereth	DNR-LRPD	L-S	HREA's	Property owners info.
7/22	Neil Steinorth	Presque Isle Corp.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Settling dust meeting
7/22	Dan Glawe	Glawe, Inc.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Haul dust to park
7/23	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co P&RC	L-S	LaMarre Park	Services agreement
7/23	Dick Sella	Harbor Commission	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Sub-contract bids
7/23	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-W	LaMarre Park	Planting Problems

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7/23	Mindy Koch	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Shoreland Advisory Council	Need new rep. for NE Mi.
7/23	AlNickels	Nickels Nursery	T-W	LaMarre Park	Planting problems
7/24	Geroge Morrow	Laketree Nursery	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Re-submit Bid
7/24	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Re-submit Bid
7/27	John Ververka	Interpretive Assoc.	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Welcome Sign
7/28	Bob Allen	Presque Isle Corp.	L-R	LaMarre Park	Local industry sign
7/30	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Progress of Project
7/30	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning	PC	LaMarre Park	Fiberglass Signs
7/30	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-R	Seagulls	Birds dying in town
7/30	Steve Schmidt	DNR-Wildlife	T-W	Seagulls	Put in touch with Rogers City
7/31	Dorothy Gheen	Alcona Co. Review	T-W	Shorelands Advisory Council	NE Mi. Representative
8/4	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Progress on Project
8/6	Bob French	Alpena Co. Commissioner	PC	LaMarre Park	Metal Stands for Signs
8/6	Dick Sella	HHC	PC	Harrisville Harbor	Open Bids
8/6	Tom Carroll	HHC	PC	Fiberglass Signs	Welcome to Harbor
8/7	John Ververka	Interpretive Assoc.	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Fiberglass signs
8/10	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Bids
8/10	Mindy Koch	DNR-LRPD	T-W	SAC	N.E. Mi. representative
8/12	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	T-R	LaMarre Park	Landscaping Project
8/12	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	PC	Cheboygan Boardwalk	Status of Project
8/13	Dorothy Gheen	Alcona Co. Review	PC	Sturgeon Pt.	Historical Site
8/14	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Mill Creek	COE Denied Permit
8/14	Craig Smith	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Mill Creek	346 Permit Issued
8/19	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Construction Projects
8/19	Tom Carroll	Harrisville Harbor Commission	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Fiberglass Signs
8/19	Dick Sella	HHC	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Start Construction
8/19	Fred Sharboneau	Contractor	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Stairways & Retaining Wall
8/19	George Morrow	Laketree Nursery	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Landscaping Bid
8/20	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Fiberglass Signs
8/20	Sandy Poneleit	Interpretive Assoc.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Historical Fiberglass Sign
8/20	Bob Allen	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Historical Fiberglass Sign
8/20	Tom Carroll	HHC	T-W	Fiberglass Signs	Deleted from contract

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8/19	Dick Sella	HHC	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Start construction
8/19	Fred Sharboneau	Contractor	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Stairways & Retaining Wall
8/19	George Morrow	Laketree Nursery	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Landscaping Bid
8/20	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Fiberglass Signs
8/20	Sandy Poneleit	Interpretive Assoc.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Historical Fiberglass Sign
8/20	Bob Allen	Alpen Co P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Historical Fiberglass Sign
8/20	Tom Carroll	HHC	T-W	Fiberglass Sign	Deleted from contract
8/25	John Beckett	Consultant	T-R	CMP Projects	Sub-contracts for FY-8
8/25	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	CMP Projects	Low-cost construction
8/25	Fred Sharboneau	Contractor	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Construct Stairway
8/25	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	PC	Cheb. Marsh	Boardwalk Project
8/25	Dennis Bodem	Jesse Besser Museum	T-W	LaMarre Park	Historical Sign
8/25	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning	T-R	LaMarre Park	Fishing Info Signs
8/25	Sandy Poneleit	Interpretive Assoc.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Historical Signs
8/26	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	PC	CZM Grant	Amend Work Tasks
8/26	Keith Kruger	Alpena Twp. Supvr.	PC	Twp. Zoning	Need Some Amending
8/27	Bob Halltinner	Besser Museum	PC	LaMarre Park	Photos for Historic Sign
8/27	Joe LaMarre	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Progress with Project
8/27	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Progress with Project
8/27	Dick Jackowiak	Contractor	PC	LaMarre Park	Inspect Park Site
8/27	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	PC	LaMarre Park	Metal Stands for Signs
8/28	Al Nickels	Nickels Nursery	T-R	LaMarre Park	Landscaping Completed
8/28	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	Release pymt. to Nickels
8/28	Gerry Harsch	Land Planning	T-R	Historic Sign	$400 Bid for Sign
8/31	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-R	CZM Project	Fiberglass Signs
8/31	Dorris Doutt	Alpena L.W.V.	T-R	Negwegon State Park	Status of the Park
9/1	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-W	CMP Grant	Specific Work Elements
9/1	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Negwegon	Status of Park
9/2	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Alpena Co. PC Grant	Detailed Work Program
9/2	Bob Halltiner	Jesse Besser Museum	T-W	LaMarre Park	Negatives of Photos
9/2	Dorris Doutt	Alpena L.W.V.	T-W	Negwegon Park	Arrange fall tour
9/2	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	PC	FY 82 CMP Grant	More Refined Work Program
9/3	Jim Leidlein	Rogers City Mgr.	T-R	Fiberglass Signs	Interpretive Associates
9/3	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor	T-W	Low-Cost Construction	Status of Project
9/3	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Coastal Conference	Wisconsin
9/4	Dave Warner	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Wisconsin Conference	Great Lakes Coastal Issues
9/4	John Porter	Alpena Co. P.C.	T-R	CMP FY 82 Grant	Prepare Draft RFP
9/4	Bob French	Alpena Co. Comm.	T-R	LaMarre Park	Metal Stands Done

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9/8	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	PC	CMP	Site inspections
9/9	Dennis Bodem	Jesse Besser Museum	PC	CMP grant proposal	Historical interpretation
9/9	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Progress & Site Inspection
9/9	Marty Thomas	Alpena Co. P&RC	PC	LaMarre Park	Site inspection
9/9	Dick Sella	Harrisville Harbor Commission	PC	Harrisville Harbor	Progress with Project
9/9	John Schwartz	Sea Grant Agent	PC	Sports Fishing Study	Alcona County
9/9	Scott Jordan	MSU Researcher	PC	Sports Fishing Study	Alcona County
9/10	D.H. Riley	Alpena Senior Citizens	T-R	Fletcher Island	Possible CMP Grant
9/10	Ken Huffmaster	Property Owner	T-R	ElCajon Bay	Land Trust Fund App.
9/10	Dave Bang	Dave Bang Assoc.	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Bid on Park Benches
9/10	Jim DeMunnick	U.S. Army Corps	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Status of 404 Permit
9/11	Al Bakalarski	Alpena City Plan.	T-R	CMP Grant	Comments on RFP
9/15	Bob Reicks	Alpena Co. P&RC	T-W	LaMarre Park	History Sign
9/15	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Mill Creek Streambed
9/17	Dale Huggler	Alpena Co. Commissioners	T-W	LaMarre Park	Dedication ceremony
9/22	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	Harrisville Harbor	Landscaping to be done
9/22	Steve Wright	Cheboygan City Mgr.	T-R	Cheboygan Marsh	Boardwalk Complete
9/22	Dick Sella	Harrisville H.C.	T-W	Harbor	Retaining Wall-Landscaping
9/22	George Mirrow	Lakefree Nursery	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Landscaping-crown vetch
9/22	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-W	Harrisville Harbor	Landscaping-crown vetch
9/23	Mike Kessler	DNR-LRPD	T-R	LaMarre Park	Whiteley to dedication
9/23	Dale Huggler	Alpena Co. Comm.	T-W	LaMarre Park	Dedication ceremony

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