125.4710.new Board; powers; duties; preparation of water resource management plan; consultation with certain entities; application for state and federal permits.

Sec. 710. (1) The board may do any of the following:
(a) Prepare an analysis of water resource improvement and access to inland lakes issues taking place in the development area.
(b) Study and analyze the need for water resource improvements and access to inland lakes upon the development area.
(c) Plan and propose the construction, renovation, repair, remodeling, rehabilitation, restoration, preservation, or reconstruction of a public facility that may be necessary or appropriate to the execution of a plan that, in the opinion of the board, aids in water resource improvement or access to inland lakes in the development area. The board is encouraged to develop a plan that conserves the natural features, reduces impervious surfaces, and uses landscaping and natural features to reflect the predevelopment site.
(d) Plan, propose, and implement an improvement to a public facility within the development area to comply with the barrier free design requirements of the state construction code promulgated under the Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state construction code act, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1501 to 125.1531.
(e) Develop long-range plans for water resource improvement and access to inland lakes within the district.
(f) Implement any plan of development for water resource improvement and access to inland lakes in the development area necessary to achieve the purposes of this part in accordance with the powers of the authority granted by this part.
(g) Make and enter into contracts necessary or incidental to the exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties.
(h) Acquire by purchase or otherwise, on terms and conditions and in a manner the authority considers proper or own, convey, or otherwise dispose of, or lease as lessor or lessee, land and other property, real or personal, or rights or interests in the property, that the authority determines is reasonably necessary to achieve the purposes of this part, and to grant or acquire licenses, easements, and options.
(i) Improve land and construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, restore and preserve, equip, clear, improve, maintain, and repair any public facility, building, and any necessary or desirable appurtenances to those buildings and operate a water resource improvement, as determined by the authority to be reasonably necessary to achieve the purposes of this part, within the development area for the use, in whole or in part, of any public or private person or corporation, or a combination thereof.
(j) Fix, charge, and collect fees, rents, and charges for the use of any facility, building, or property under its control or any part of the facility, building, or property, and pledge the fees, rents, and charges for the payment of revenue bonds issued by the authority.
(k) Lease, in whole or in part, any facility, building, or property under its control.
(l) Accept grants and donations of property, labor, or other things of value from a public or private source.
(m) Acquire and construct public facilities.
(n) Plan and implement water resource improvements in harbors of the Great Lakes and their tributaries, including, but not limited to, dredging, removal of spoils, and other improvements or maintenance activities that enhance navigability of a waterway.
(2) The board shall prepare a water resource management plan in consultation with the department of environmental quality, the department of natural resources, or any other entity with expertise in water quality management and invasive species management.
(3) The board may apply for the necessary state and federal permits required for a public facility or a water resource improvement under this part.