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Senate Bill 1028 (S-1) (as proposed 5-11-22)
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CONTENT

On December 1, 2021, the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Board adopted fiscal year (FY) 2021-22 recommendations for acquisition and development projects under Article IX, Section 35 of the Michigan Constitution and the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act. The recommendation includes \$45.6 million for 117 projects. The recommended appropriation would include 22 acquisition projects (\$22.3 million) and 95 development projects (\$23.3 million). Since its inception in 1976, the MNRTF has been used to fund 2,715 projects totaling \$1.3 billion.

MNRTF Background

Each year, the MNRTF Board receives project applications from local units of government and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). These projects are scored by DNR staff using a rubric and then presented to the Board so priority can be assigned and grants can be awarded. The process for selecting projects is outlined in Article IX, Section 35(6) of the Michigan Constitution: The legislature shall provide by law for the establishment of a trust fund board within the department of natural resources. The trust fund board shall recommend the projects to be funded. The board shall submit its recommendations to the governor who shall submit the board's recommendations to the legislature in an appropriations bill.

In accordance with the constitution, each year, typically in December, the MNRTF Board votes on applications received for MNRTF projects that year. Before approval is granted, as mentioned above, each project is scored by DNR staff, and the Board meets several times to review projects, hear testimony from interested parties, and discuss the merits of each project. Following the Board's approval, the project recommendations are included in a draft bill that is presented to the Legislature by the Governor. The total dollar amount of these project recommendations is left to the discretion of the Board.

The MNRTF was capitalized through deposits of bonuses, rentals, delayed rentals, and royalties collected or reserved by the State under provisions of leases for the extraction of nonrenewable resources from State-owned land. The revenue accruing under leases of State-owned land acquired with money from the State or Federal Game and Fish Protection Fund, is not included. Before 2011, under the Michigan Constitution, annual expenditures consisted of MNRTF interest and earnings and 33⅓% of MNRTF revenue received by the State during the previous fiscal year. These expenditures continued until the corpus of the MNRTF reached \$500.0 million, which it did in 2011, thereby limiting subsequent annual expenditures to interest and investment earnings and funding carried forward from previous years.

This language was replaced after 2020, when Proposal 2020-1 amended the Constitution. The Constitution now specifies that after the Michigan State Parks Endowment Fund reaches the \$800.0 million limit, revenue from bonuses, rentals, delayed rentals, and royalties must be

deposited in the MNRFT. The change eliminated the MNRTF's previous \$500.0 million cap and allows this revenue to be deposited back into the Trust Fund.

The amended Michigan Constitution requires a minimum of 25.0% of Fund revenue to be spent for acquisition, and a minimum of 25.0% to be made available for development. Trust Fund revenue also may be used to pay for the administration of the Fund, as well as for payments in lieu of taxes.

Boilerplate

Sec. 201. Provides totals for payments to local units of government.

Sec. 202. Specifies that appropriations are subject to the Management and Budget Act.

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

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

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

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would appropriate \$45,592,200 from the MNRTF for 22 acquisition projects and 95 development projects. Matching funds provided by local communities of \$39,015,800 for local projects would result in total project costs of \$84,608,000. The bill would match the Governor's request in Supplemental 2022-4.

FY 2021-22 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF)				
Projects	Number of Projects	Total Cost	Local Match	Trust Fund
<u>Acquisition Projects</u>				
State-owned	4	\$8,050,000	\$0	\$8,050,000
Local Government	<u>18</u>	<u>21,984,800</u>	<u>7,735,100</u>	<u>14,249,700</u>
Subtotal Acquisition Projects	22	\$30,034,800	\$7,735,100	22,299,700
<u>Development Projects</u>				
State-owned	13	\$4,546,900	\$1,326,900	\$3,220,000
Local Government	<u>82</u>	<u>50,026,300</u>	<u>29,953,800</u>	<u>20,072,500</u>
Subtotal Development Projects	95	\$54,573,200	\$31,280,700	\$23,292,500
TOTAL	117	\$84,608,000	\$39,015,800	\$45,592,200

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Priority	Project (1)	Proposed Owner	County Location	Total Cost	Local Match	Trust Fund
1	Muskegon Sand - North Acquisition. Acquisition of 162 acres within the coastal zone boundary of Lake Michigan. The acquisition of this northern portion constitutes the second phase of the Muskegon Sand project. Upon completion of the second phase, the public will be able to enjoy approximately 1,460 feet of Lake Michigan shoreline and 9,490 feet of shoreline along inland lakes within a critical dune area and including a variety of habitat types.	Muskegon County	Muskegon	7,575,200	2,500,000	5,075,200
2	North Channel Park Inholding Acquisition. Acquisition of approximately 6/10ths of an acre to complete a proposed waterfront county park site and enhance the development of recreational facilities by locating the entrance to the new park in a safe location. The existing building on the parcel will be repurposed as a park operations and maintenance office and equipment storage facility.	St. Clair County	St. Clair	200,000	52,000	148,000
3	Portage Canal Waterfront Property Acquisition. Acquisition of 2 acres on the Portage Canal in the City of Hancock. The parcel will expand public access to the waterfront and allow for future development of a multi-use trail as well as other waterfront activities along the shoreline. The Portage Canal connects Lake Superior with the Keweenaw Bay between the cities of Hancock to the north and Houghton to the south.	City of Hancock	Houghton	231,900	60,300	171,600
4	Belle River Acquisition. Acquisition of 1/2 of an acre with 160 linear feet of river frontage on the Belle River. The parcel is located at 610 Main Street in Marine City near the downtown area and the confluence of the Belle River and the St. Clair River in St. Clair County. The acquisition will enable future development of a public marina district with amenities to create a new public space and new opportunity in Marine City. Boaters will be able to come in from the St. Clair River and have a great space to tie-off their boats and enjoy a short walk into an exciting waterfront downtown on the St. Clair River. This new water access will also allow for various water recreation opportunities on the Belle River and on the St. Clair River and will provide direct access to and from the Great Lakes.	City of Marine City	St. Clair	368,000	96,000	272,000

5	<p>Hickory Forest Acquisition. Acquisition of 76 acres adjacent to the existing Hickory Hills and Hickory Meadows public recreation areas, bounded on the north by M-72 and on the south by Barney Road. The acquisition will open the property to the public for low-impact, passive recreation, adding valued natural forest habitat to complement the more active recreational amenities at Hickory Hills and open-space amenities at Hickory Meadows.</p>	City of Traverse City & Charter Township of Garfield Recreational	Grand Traverse	668,200	200,600	467,600
6	<p>Camp Pishtoning at Pigeon River Acquisition. Acquisition of 404 acres of forestland, including nearly one mile of Pigeon River corridor, in the Pigeon River Country State Forest. The property is comprised of both lowland conifer forest in some areas along the river and upland cover types including aspen, oak, and pine on the remainder of the parcel. This stretch of the Pigeon River is a designated natural river and is known for its populations of wild brook, brown, and rainbow trout. The property is located in the core of Michigan's elk range and with a combination of both lowland and upland, provides ideal habitat for elk, deer, bear, bobcat, ruffed grouse, woodcock, wild turkey, waterfowl and furbearing species. The Pigeon River corridor also serves as a travel corridor for several of these species, as well as providing habitat for migratory songbirds. The outdoor recreational opportunities on the property would include hunting, fishing, trapping, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, camping and wildlife viewing.</p>	DNR - Forest Resources Division	Otsego	950,000	0	950,000
7	<p>Midland-Freeland Path Connector Acquisition. Acquisition of 1 acre for a multi-use path that is part of the Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail (GLBRT). The trail will extend toward the existing Tittabawassee Township Park and trail network which connects trail users to Freeland and Saginaw and is planned to connect to Midland. These parcels will enable trail users to get from the Tittabawassee River to the road right-of-way and township park.</p>	Tittabawassee Township	Saginaw	142,700	71,400	71,300

8	Lake Huron Coastal Preserve Acquisition. Acquisition of 144 acres known as the Lake Huron Coastal Preserve along Lake Huron and US 23 in Alabaster Township, Iosco County. The acquisition will provide public access to over 4,000 feet of Lake Huron frontage and create connections between the Alabaster Bike Path portion of the Iron Belle Trail and the natural area. This will be the first acquisition of its kind in Alabaster Township and along this Lake Huron shoreline. The property contains 60 acres of forested coastal dune and swale, 6 acres of wet meadow, over 4,000 feet of cobble shoreline and northern hardwood forest. Alabaster Township is working closely with Huron Pines, a trusted conservation partner in Northeast Michigan.	Alabaster Township	Iosco	2,532,000	832,000	1,700,000
9	Meridian Park Acquisition. Acquisition of 11 acres to expand the 149-acre Meridian Park. This 11-acre parcel is owned by a neighboring farmer and is on the west side of the park. It is a natural area with native foliage, wildlife habitat and large pine trees. This acquisition would provide for the conservation of a natural area that will add better access, including additional trails for park visitors, along with improved access for management activities. Meridian Park is the closest park to the largest city in the County (Mt. Pleasant) and use has grown over the years.	Isabella County	Isabella	115,000	30,000	85,000
10	Waterloo-Pinckney Recreation Area Land Consolidation. Acquisition of 258 acres within the Waterloo-Pinckney Recreation Area to consolidate state land holdings for recreation and natural resource conservation in an area facing pressure for development. These properties consist of wooded wetlands, wildlife habitat, rolling hills, lake frontage and navigable water frontage. Recreation opportunities include trail connections, hunting, fishing, hiking, equestrian, paddle sports, wildlife viewing and winter sports.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Livingston	2,050,000	0	2,050,000
11	Genoa Township Park Expansion. Acquisition of 90 acres in Genoa Township adjacent to the existing township park and municipal offices. The addition will enhance the community park with expanded opportunity for recreational sport and other township-sponsored programming, all in a naturally attractive outdoor setting.	Genoa Charter Township	Livingston	1,801,000	1,501,000	300,000

12	Berrien Springs State Game Area Acquisition. Acquisition of 839 acres for a new State Game Area in Berrien County. The property has approximately one mile of frontage along the St. Joseph River, and it has diverse upland forest habitats, open fields, and wetland areas. The property would be managed primarily for wild turkeys, small game, and deer, and it will provide hunting, fishing, and wildlife-viewing opportunities in an area of the state with a low percentage of public land.	DNR - Wildlife Division	Berrien	4,700,000	0	4,700,000
13	Townsend Park Land Acquisition. Acquisition of 106 acres adjacent to Townsend Park which would bring Townsend Park from large park status to a regional park status with a proposed total of 250 acres. Conceptual planning of the addition envisions 3 miles of trails, an access drive connecting to the existing park, parking for the trail system, and a pavilion that will feature unobstructed views of the surrounding landscape. The property will add significant wildlife habitat, bird watching opportunities and even access to Bear Creek for fishing which is host to brown trout.	Kent County	Kent	1,600,000	480,000	1,120,000
14	Milton Road to Alanson Trail Corridor Acquisition. Acquisition of 15 acres of former railroad right-of-way for the purposes of enhancing the North Western State Trail. The property is immediately adjacent to the existing trail which is located within the US-31 highway right-of-way. Acquisition of the property would allow for immediate use by snowmobiles away from the highway and would allow for future non-motorized trail realignment. It will allow the community to retain the scenic character of the trail for future generations to enjoy. It could provide a location for a trailhead within the Village of Alanson. The trail begins at M-119 in Bear Creek Township and continues north to the Village of Mackinaw City.	Littlefield Township - Emmet	Emmet	1,240,500	375,200	865,300
15	Portland State Game Area Acquisition. Acquisition of 66 acres for the Portland State Game Area in Ionia County. The property will provide wildlife habitat conservation, land consolidation, and additional recreational opportunities such as hunting, trapping, wildlife viewing, and fishing. The property has gently rolling to flat topography with about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of frontage on the Grand River and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile shared boundary with the state game area. The parcel has about 45 acres of farmland and an intact riparian forest which together provide quality habitat for species such as wild turkey, deer, small game, sandhill crane, and waterfowl.	DNR - Wildlife Division	Ionia	350,000	0	350,000

16	Baraga Waterfront Park Inholding Acquisition. Acquisition of 5 acres of property in the Village of Baraga along Keweenaw Bay of Lake Superior to expand Baraga Waterfront Park near the marina. The acquisition will allow for a range of future recreational opportunities including picnicking, court sports and community activities as well as extending the Keweenaw Bay Non-Motorized Pathway.	Village of Baraga	Baraga	515,000	265,000	250,000
17	North Sturgeon River Recreation Area Acquisition. Acquisition of 1,184 acres along the North Sturgeon River in Baraga County. The property includes 8.5 miles of river frontage and 560 acres of high-quality riverine wetlands. The site provides habitat for a variety of animal species from wolves and moose to box turtles and pickerel frogs. Future plans will feature paddle-craft launches, fishing, bird watching, hiking, snowmobiling, and hunting. Rustic camp sites and trail development will be designed to minimize impacts to sensitive natural habitats on the property.	Baraga County	Baraga	3,650,000	912,500	2,737,500
18	Little Wolf Lake County Park Expansion. Acquisition of 50 additional feet of lake frontage adjacent to Little Wolf Lake County Park in Napoleon Township. This property will increase the lake frontage of the park by 50%, and provide additional space for swimming, picnicking, and the potential for future development of a kayak/canoe launch at the trailhead of the Chain of Lakes Trail and the Upper Grand River Water Trail.	Jackson County	Jackson	235,000	58,800	176,200
19	Lake Michigan Campground Expansion. Acquisition of nearly 5 acres on the Lake Michigan shore located immediately west of the Manistique Lakeshore Campground in the City of Manistique. The new property would allow the city to expand this very popular waterfront campground as well as offer the public more space for fishing and kayaking in Lake Michigan and the nearby Manistique River.	City of Manistique	Schoolcraft	599,100	150,100	449,000
20	Pier Cove Beach Acquisition. Acquisition of 0.38 of an acre, including 120 feet of beach frontage along Lake Michigan. The acquisition will triple the existing beach access at Pier Cove Park, helping to address current issues of overcrowding and trespass. The acquisition area contains the outlet of Pier Cove Creek which has long been recognized for its recreation value to all ages, but especially children who enjoy playing in the continuously flowing creek to Lake Michigan. The property offers spectacular views of Lake Michigan from the adjacent road which will be managed and preserved.	Ganges Township	Allegan	171,600	42,900	128,700

21	Skyline Recreation Area - Inholding Acquisition. Acquisition of 58 acres adjacent to existing city-owned recreation land on three sides. The property would share an existing parking lot for the North Country/Iron Belle Trail on adjacent City-owned property. There would be an increase in recreational opportunity, conservation, and forest management with the addition of this land. There is interest from the North Country Trail Association and Top of Michigan Mountain Biking Association for trail development. This project is supported by Bear Creek Township and the aforementioned organizations. If successful, the city would contract for a forest management plan with a state-licensed forester.	City of Petoskey	Emmet	250,000	62,500	187,500
22	Plaza Roosevelt Acquisition. Acquisition of 0.77 of an acre in the Plaza Roosevelt area for the purpose of developing a public park to serve the Roosevelt Park neighborhood. Users will include numerous nearby residents and the children attending the school that is immediately adjacent to the new park. Roosevelt Park is one of three neighborhoods targeted by the city's 2017 Parks and Recreation Master Plan for parkland acquisition.	City of Grand Rapids	Kent	89,600	44,800	44,800
<u>AQUISITION PROJECT SUMMARY</u>						
State of Michigan Ownership (4 Projects)				\$8,050,000	\$0	\$8,050,000
Local Government Ownership (18 Projects)				<u>\$21,984,800</u>	<u>\$7,735,100</u>	<u>\$14,249,700</u>
TOTAL:				\$30,034,800	\$7,735,100	\$22,299,700

⁽¹⁾ Project descriptions provided by the Department of Natural Resources.

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1	Lake Erie Metropark Cherry Island Trail Improvements. Development project to improve the Cherry Island Nature Trail within the 1,607-acre Lake Erie Metropark located at the confluence of the Detroit River and Lake Erie. The project improves accessibility using Universal Design principles, including accessible parking, trails, boardwalks, overlooks, viewing scopes, picnic tables, benches, and bike racks. An existing filled land-bridge, which bisects the river from the wetlands, will be removed and replaced with a boardwalk to restore natural waterflow, improving habitat for fish and wildlife. Visitors to the trail can view American Lotus, a state threatened species, and witness bird migration seasons as the site is part of the International Wildlife Refuge in both Michigan and Ontario.	Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority	Wayne	871,800	571,800	300,000
2	Hawk Island Park Boardwalk and Fishing Pier. Development project at Hawk Island Park to remove the existing boardwalk along the northeast edge of the pond and install a new accessible floating boardwalk, fishing docks and accessible path approaches. A minimum of 26% of the dock and boardwalk railings will be at a 32-inch height to provide better fishing access and viewing opportunities. The existing land path will be replaced with a 10-foot wide path along the water to extend to the docks. The project will include native plant restoration and interpretive signage.	Ingham County	Ingham	793,100	493,100	300,000
3	Maple Island Boardwalk and Fishing Platform. Development project to replace the 82-year-old pedestrian walkway to Maple Island. The replacement will incorporate 2 new fishing platforms on the bridge, a wider walkway, bench seating, an ADA-compliant pathway to the existing island boat dock, and supporting amenities. The existing bridge is at the end of its life span and replacement is critical to the continued safety of users and their access to recreational activities on Maple Island.	Village of Paw Paw - Van Buren	Van Buren	489,500	189,500	300,000
4	Grass River Natural Area River Access Improvements. Development of the Grass River Natural Area boardwalk river access trail to provide a safer, more environmentally sensitive, and completely accessible trail for the community. This project will complete the replacement and improvement of another .39 mile (2,050 LF) of the trail and increase the width to make it accessible to all. The project will also build new observation platforms that are ramped for access, enlarge the dock area, and install an accessible kayak launch.	Antrim County	Antrim	979,900	679,900	300,000

5	Development of River Edges Trail - Leonard to Ann Segment 1. Development of 690 feet of a non-motorized trail with river frontage along the east bank of the Grand River. The segment includes the Leonard Street underpass, a universally accessible 12-foot wide shared use trail with a 2-foot buffer, river access, LED lighting, native planting slope restoration, benches with accessible companion seating, and signage. Ultimately, the trail will connect downtown Grand Rapids to the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park.	City of Grand Rapids	Kent	1,382,200	1,082,200	300,000
6	Development of River Edges Trail - Leonard to Ann Segment 2. Development of 3,215 feet of a non-motorized trail with river frontage along the east bank of the Grand River. This segment will extend from Leonard Street to the railroad bridge and include a spur connecting to Monroe Avenue. A universally accessible 12-foot wide shared-use trail with a 2-foot buffer, river access, LED lighting, native planting slope restoration, benches with accessible companion seating, and signage. Ultimately, the trail will connect downtown Grand Rapids to the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park.	City of Grand Rapids	Kent	1,191,900	891,900	300,000
7	Development of River Edges Trail - Leonard to Ann Segment 4. Development of 559 feet of a non-motorized trail with river frontage along the east bank of the Grand River. The segment includes the Ann Street underpass, a universally accessible 12-foot wide shared-use trail with a 2-foot buffer, river access, LED lighting, native planting slope restoration, benches with accessible companion seating, and signage. Ultimately, the trail will connect downtown Grand Rapids to the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail State Park.	City of Grand Rapids	Kent	1,387,200	1,087,200	300,000
8	Adado Riverfront Park Improvements. Development Project at Adado Riverfront Park to construct an elevated deck/boardwalk and observation area for improved engagement with the Grand River. Bike racks, accessible routes, benches, and picnic tables will be included. This project will complement a separately funded effort to install a universally accessible playground with barrier-free parking.	City of Lansing	Ingham	635,900	335,900	300,000

9	Niles Dam Park Development. Development of a boat launch and related parking at Niles Dam Park along the Dowagiac River. With the removal of the Pucker Street Dam, the City of Niles is investing in the first phase of park redevelopment to create a premier outdoor recreation experience for the community. This site is an enormously popular fishing destination in a unique cold-water fishery. It also connects to the Dowagiac River Water Trail. Renovation of the current dirt parking lot, walkways and steep boat launch will offer improved recreational opportunities for anglers, kayakers, canoeists, tubers and nature enthusiasts.	City of Niles	Berrien	310,400	77,600	232,800
10	Carrollton Iron Belle Trail Trailhead. Development of a trailhead along the Iron Belle Trail (IBT) in Carrollton Township. The trailhead will include parking, a pathway connecting to the IBT, benches, interpretive signage, bike repair station, porta-john structure, and rain garden with native plantings.	Carrollton Township	Saginaw	192,200	57,700	134,500
11	Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail Reconstruction. Development project to renovate 3.2-miles of the Fred Thwaites Grand River Trail along the Grand River from Ionia Free Fair Grounds to Quarry Road. Along with repaving the existing trail, this project aims to significantly improve the Cleveland Street trailhead. At this newer trailhead, the improvements will include a paved parking lot, benches, picnic tables, a trailhead kiosk, and portable restroom enclosure. The trail is a vital connection between the city's commercial district, neighborhoods, Riverside Park, and the Ionia Free Fair Grounds.	City of Ionia	Ionia	540,000	240,000	300,000
12	Lakeside Park Pavilion and Playground. Development to renovate Lakeside Park with modern restrooms and play equipment. The existing bathrooms were constructed in 1964 and do not meet standards set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act. The playground equipment that is being replaced is outdated and does not meet current safety standards. Lakeside Park, the most popular of the City's park system, is home to its public boat harbor, beach, and community performance shell. The Park hosts many annual events, including a summer concert series and weekly city band performance as well as the extremely popular Nautical Festival and multiple fishing tournaments.	City of Rogers City	Presque Isle	265,000	80,000	185,000
13	Bay View Park Restroom and Pavilion. Development of restroom facilities to support events and activities at Bay View Park, including the band shell, kiddie park and tennis and basketball courts. This will also provide additional facilities for events and activities downtown and at the marina.	City of Alpena - Alpena	Alpena	912,200	612,200	300,000

14	Neff Road Bike Path Project. Development of the Neff Road Bike Path to improve safety and accessibility. The 3,000-foot paved, accessible path will connect from the City of Clio's bike path to the existing trailhead at Neff Road.	Vienna Charter Township	Genesee	442,700	146,100	296,600
15	Brower County Park - Water Access. Development project to improve water access opportunities for multiple user groups camping and recreating at Brower County Park. The project improvements include an accessible kayak-canoe launch, fishing platform, and paved parking spaces with a barrier-free trailer space. Sustainable design improvements include a bioswale to collect runoff, a boat and trailer wash down facility for invasive species control, and the addition of a vault toilet structure with solar lighting.	Mecosta County	Mecosta	402,000	120,600	281,400
16	Idema Explorers Trail - Stearns Bayou Connector. Development of a 2.3-mile trail segment along the Idema Explorers Trail that will provide the final non-motorized trail connection between the existing IET & Grand Haven - completing a 13-mile segment of the IET from the Grand Haven Pier to Riverside Park. This project includes construction of 11,182 feet of a 10-foot wide pedestrian-bicycle asphalt pathway as well as 600 feet of 14-foot wide pedestrian expansion of the Green Street bridge over Stearns Bayou (off the Grand River) and a 400-foot by 14-foot boardwalk over Little Robinson Creek. Both the bridge and boardwalk will include bump-outs for wildlife viewing, fishing, and allowing those with physical challenges to enjoy the view or rest without being in the flow of traffic.	Ottawa County	Ottawa	3,539,200	3,239,200	300,000
17	Douglass Houghton Falls Scenic Site Development. Development of the Douglass Houghton Falls Scenic Site, between Laurium and Lake Linden, in the Keweenaw Peninsula. Douglass Houghton Falls, on Hammell Creek, is Michigan's highest waterfall, falling approximately 110 feet down nearly vertical rock cliffs. The site is noted for its unique regional geology and is named for Douglass Houghton, Michigan's first state geologist. The Michigan DNR Parks and Recreation Division will develop the 63-acre Douglass Houghton Falls Scenic Site to provide improvements which will allow the public to safely view the waterfalls as well as other scenic vistas. The improvements will include parking, a vault toilet, access walks, a pedestrian bridge and overlooks.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Houghton	615,000	315,000	300,000

18	Fort Custer Recreation Area - River Valley Trail. Development of 1.5 miles of paved non-motorized trail through Fort Custer Recreation Area. The trail will become part of the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail through the town of Augusta and linking the Kal-Haven Trail and the Battle Creek Linear Path for a total trail length of 140 miles. This trail is also part of Michigan's Iron Belle Trail and is part of a regional effort with Kalamazoo County to expand the non-motorized trail network. The trail will provide economic benefits to the Kalamazoo-Battle Creek region as people use the trail for recreation and tourism.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Kalamazoo	700,000	400,000	300,000
19	Pere Marquette Rail-Trail Revitalization. Development to renovate over 2.5 miles of the Pere Marquette Rail-Trail and trailhead near Dublin Avenue in Midland. Improvements will provide new Universal Access improvements such as benches, informative signs and trail maps with key destinations, distances of travel noted, trash receptacles and bollards.	Midland County	Midland	579,000	279,000	300,000
20	Crystal Township Park Redevelopment. Development of Crystal Township's Park on Crystal Lake, approximately 300 feet of beach and lake viewing via a cascading terrace built into the existing hill. The project will renovate the access pathway to incorporate two universally accessible ramp systems to the terraces and includes mobility beach mats from the lowest terrace to the water.	Crystal Township	Montcalm	507,000	207,000	300,000
21	Kirk Park Renovation. Development project to renovate Kirk Park's restroom facility to improve accessibility and extend its useful life. Moreover, the project will include installation of a new accessible playground, and trailhead amenities for three key regional trails along Lake Michigan. The trails are Lakeshore Drive Pathway between Holland & Grand Haven, the on-street paved shoulder that is part of US Bike Route 35, and the Lake Michigan Water Trail.	Ottawa County	Ottawa	474,000	237,000	237,000
22	Veterans Park and Hamtramck Stadium Restroom Renovation. Development project at Hamtramck Stadium and Veterans Memorial Park to renovate a restroom facility including a drinking fountain and utility infrastructure. The project will also feature a repaved path from the Hamtramck Stadium parking lot to the restroom facility. Together, Hamtramck Stadium and Veterans Park occupy about 50% of the 26-acre Recreation District. Considering the volume of activity in the Recreation District, a restroom and drinking fountain are critical to enhancing the quality of life, health and well-being of the diverse community and many users of the park.	City of Hamtramck	Wayne	400,000	100,000	300,000

23	MSU to Lake Lansing Connector Trail. Development of Phase III of the MSU to Lake Lansing Connector Trail, an off-road, non-motorized trail from Marsh Road to Green Road. Phase III will provide the final connection to both Ingham County Parks around Lake Lansing. The trail will improve business by connecting to the commercial core of Haslett, while furthering the outstanding recreational options within Meridian Township.	Meridian Charter Township	Ingham	2,600,000	2,300,000	300,000
24	Martin Luther King, Jr. Equality Trail. Development project to renovate and increase the width of a trail from Prospect Street to South West Avenue in Jackson. This is a highly used area of the trail system and needs upgrading to meet ADA guidelines. This trail will connect to the regional Falling Waters Trail.	City of Jackson	Jackson	600,000	300,000	300,000
25	Platte River Hatchery Accessibility and Education. Development to enhance accessibility of the Platte River State Fish Hatchery Visitors Center, hatchery, and raceway buildings, as well improve site grounds and accommodations. The project includes improvements and updates to interpretive displays for drop-in visitors, schools, and other groups to enjoy and learn more about the importance of Michigan's fisheries and aquatic resources. Other improvements include renovation of existing infrastructure to comply with and exceed ADA minimum requirements, a fishing platform, picnic shelter, benches along trails, and development of a new trail section to loop guests back to the Visitors Center and guest parking area from the Upper Platte River. Finally, a solar installation will demonstrate technology that will reduce the facility's global climate change impact and show guests that the Department is on a path towards carbon neutrality by 2050.	DNR - Fisheries Division	Benzie	300,000	0	300,000
26	Fenner Pathway. Development of a 10-foot wide, 1.7-mile, ADA-compliant Hot-Mix Asphalt (HMA) pathway connecting Lansing's River Trail and the proposed Bear Lake Pathway, scheduled for construction in 2021, to Fenner Nature Center. With the increasing interest in biking, hiking, fishing and nature observation supported by the River Trail along the Grand River, this project will help the city to better meet these needs by providing improved connectivity to these amenities for current users and for users currently under-served in the southeast part of Lansing.	City of Lansing	Ingham	988,600	688,600	300,000

27	Riverside Park Development. Development project for Dowagiac's Riverside Park. The project consists of an overlook and fishing platform, benches, recycling bins, native landscaping, parking facilities and ADA accessibility to the creek. Riverside Park is bordered by beautiful Dowagiac Creek and users will enjoy fishing, relaxation and wildlife viewing along the water. The Park will also serve as a trailhead for the proposed Elks Trail once it is completed.	City of Dowagiac	Cass	431,000	131,000	300,000
28	Mitchell State Park - Pavilion and Restroom Replacement. The proposed project will replace an outdated restroom pavilion building, improve accessibility, and improve pedestrian and vehicle circulation in the day-use beach area of Mitchell State Park. The existing building serves day-use visitors and provides a shelter for shaded picnic and event space. The building has exceeded its useful life and no longer meets design standards. The day-use beach area lacks pedestrian access connections, and the parking lot configuration often causes back-ups during the busy season. The day-use beach area continues to be a popular location for swimming, picnicking and playground activities and connects directly to the Carl T. Johnson Interpretive Center via a culvert walkway under M-115.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Wexford	600,000	300,000	300,000
29	Kawkawlin River Access Improvements. Development to improve fishing access at Herbert Steih Memorial Park along the Kawkawlin River. The project includes a new canoe-kayak launch, pathways, pavilion, and amenities such as benches and interpretive signage along the Kawkawlin River. Improvements also include the renovation of the existing canoe-kayak launch and parking lot. The intent is to make the site more accessible and safer for all park users.	Monitor Charter Township	Bay	451,400	182,000	269,400
30	Lake Lansing Park North Boardwalk/Trail. Development work at the popular Lake Lansing Park North that includes 680 feet of boardwalk replacement, 605 feet of trail reconstruction, new entry sign, new entry gate, interpretive signage, bench, and rain gardens. The project will provide universal accessibility to the wooded nature trail which is presently not accessible for people using wheelchairs or those with limited mobility.	Ingham County	Ingham	581,500	281,500	300,000
31	Riverside Park and Water Trailhead. Development of the City of Caseville's Riverside Park and Water Trailhead. The project includes a fishing pier along the Pigeon River, an ADA-compliant kayak launch to access the Tip of the Thumb Heritage Water Trail, and a boat launch with a lift to assist boaters. Riverside Park is located in downtown Caseville and	City of Caseville	Huron	498,800	200,000	298,800

offers unique public access to nature viewing, walking, fishing, boating and picnicking.

32	<p>Gourdneck State Game Area Access Improvements. Development to improve public access to the Gourdneck State Game Area. The Hampton Lake Trail parking lot will be enlarged and resurfaced (60 feet x 100 feet) and boulders will be installed to stop vehicle access to the interior of the game area. In addition, a kiosk will be installed with interpretive information and an accessible boardwalk will be constructed leading to a scenic fishing deck and accessible kayak launch on Hampton Lake. The game area lies within the Portage city limits. Since its establishment in 1941, suburban development has gradually expanded around the game area. Despite this urban-wildland interface, the area has remained a popular destination for hunters, and hosts a variety of wildlife and natural communities. In cooperation with the city of Portage, the SGA is being developed as a model urban state game area that will introduce residents to hunting, wildlife, and nature.</p>	DNR - Wildlife Division	Kalamazoo	300,000	0	300,000
33	<p>River Valley Rail-Trail - Lowell Connector. Development of 2.1 miles of non-motorized trail to connect the Fred Meijer River Valley Rail Trail through the City of Lowell, including a pedestrian bridge across the Grand River. This trail is part of the 125-mile Fred Meijer Mid-West Regional Trail network, allowing uninterrupted use from Owosso to Lowell to Belding to Alma. It is accessible to downtown Lowell, the home to the North Country National Scenic Trail, which parallels portions of the proposed project.</p>	City of Lowell	Kent	1,432,000	1,132,000	300,000
34	<p>Lightning Bend Trailhead and Pathways. Development of amenities at Lightning Bend Preserve, home to many rustic trails that meander through towering forests, past lush vernal pools, and along ridges overlooking the Flat River. The project proposes improvements to the existing park trailhead off Merrick Street with a new bathroom facility and the development of a neighborhood trailhead off Gooding Street. In addition, there will be an accessible non-motorized trail connection to both park trailheads and the Flat River, and essential upgrades to the existing 18-hole disc golf course known as SMASH Park.</p>	City of Belding	Ionia	430,000	130,000	300,000

35	Casco Nature Preserve Park Improvements on Lake Michigan. Development of amenities at the Casco Township Nature Preserve, a trailhead and rest stop along the Lake Michigan National Water Trail at the beach and the Blue Star Trail - a regional non-motorized bicycle route and a segment of U.S. Bicycle Route 35. The project includes a new driveway, parking lot, and restroom building as well as walkways overlooking Lake Michigan.	Casco Township	Allegan	388,000	97,000	291,000
36	Scheid Park Improvements. Development to expand amenities at Scheid Park, a 15.6-acre neighborhood park along the Fred Meijer Grand River Trail (FMGRT). The project will construct a restroom-concession building, provide additional barrier-free parking and accessible walkways to existing ball fields.	Village of Saranac	Ionia	500,000	200,000	300,000
37	Miracle League Field. Development of an accessible Miracle League Field at Mundy Township's new park, Mundy Miracle Commons. The Miracle League Field will include prefabricated dugouts with wraparound shade screening, fencing, and field lighting. Other amenities include team/spectator benches, sidewalk connections from the parking lot, trash receptacles around the site, and interpretive signage identifying ecological points of interest around the site.	Mundy Charter Township	Genesee	435,400	179,000	256,400
38	Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail Path Extension. Development of a 1-mile extension of the Midland Township Walking Path starting near Overlook Park to Stewart Road. This trail is part of the Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail (GLBRT) network connecting Midland, Bay City, and Saginaw. It is also an official connector route of the Iron Belle Trail. The trail will provide barrier-free access with at least a 6-foot wide path.	Midland Charter Township	Midland	1,073,700	773,700	300,000
39	Pier Cove Park Renovation. Development project to enhance the overall accessibility and scenic value of Pier Cove Park while honoring the rich history, quiet restfulness, and natural beauty of this unique lakeshore area. A new walkway and gathering space will add barrier-free accessibility to parking, reconstruction of steps down to the beach, and a new Lake Michigan overlook.	Ganges Township	Allegan	355,000	89,000	266,000

40	Menominee River - Piers Gorge Accessible Trail. Development at the Menominee River Recreation Area at Piers Gorge, which contains some of Michigan's most beautiful scenery and rare opportunity for white-water rafting. The project will replace two small pedestrian bridges and improve riverside trails along the gorge to provide access to scenic overlooks and provide for emergency access to the falls for rafters. This project is critical to providing safe white-water rafting experiences on the river and public access at the park, while protecting sensitive natural areas. The river provides exceptional viewing opportunities for bald eagles, osprey, and waterfowl. The Menominee River State Recreation Area encompasses nearly 10,000 acres of public land along both sides of 17 miles of the river through natural surroundings. The Park is co-managed by both Michigan and Wisconsin.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Dickinson	300,000	0	300,000
41	Ontario Trailhead Development. Development of a trailhead at Ontario Street for the Indiana-Michigan River Valley Trail (I/MRVT) system. The proposal is to use an existing 1.5-acre parcel of land which borders the I/MRVT and implement trail-specific features to support trail use and enjoyment. The I/MRVT has been in progress for over 10 years. It was completed in November 2019 and connects three cities in southwest Michigan and northcentral Indiana. There are currently no trailhead facilities between South Bend and Niles.	Niles Charter Township	Berrien	169,500	44,900	124,600
42	Lake County ORV Park. Development of the Lake County ORV Skills Development Center for novice users. This facility will complement the improvements to Webber Township's Community Park (Grant #TF21-0127) just south of the property. The project will include a paved parking lot, two safety training areas, a tot-lot and learner trail, a beginner trail, and a skill development trail.	Lake County	Lake	480,000	180,000	300,000
43	Phoenix Avenue Kayak Launch Development. Development of a new park on the Black River in Geneva Township to become a stop on the Bangor to South Haven Heritage Water Trail. The 1.17-acre park will provide an ADA-accessible kayak launch, parking, and vault toilet. Water trail users can paddle toward South Haven and eventually connect to the Lake Michigan Water Trail or stop in the Trail Town of South Haven to explore the growing tourism market. This portion of the Black River is a Type 1 trout stream and improvements will support angling pursuits.	South Haven Area Recreation Authority	Van Buren	328,300	98,500	229,800

44	Iron Belle Trail Segment. Development of 4.8 miles of the Iron Belle Trail (also Phase IV of the Iosco Exploration Trail) along the Lake Huron side of US-23 in AuSable Township, Iosco County. The 10-foot wide, primarily asphalt non-motorized trail will serve both a regional need as part of cross-state and cross-county trail systems and as a local recreation and transportation facility between Tawas and Oscoda.	AuSable Charter Township	Iosco	2,913,800	2,613,800	300,000
45	Pinckney Recreation Area - Potawatomi Trail Renovation. Development to renovate the Potawatomi Trail. This 17-mile-long trail located a short distance from Ann Arbor continues to increase in popularity with hikers and bikers. As a result of this increased use and poor trail design, the surface conditions have deteriorated. Specifically, fall lines and erosion need to be addressed to improve safety and sustainability for the future. Also, there are five wooden bridges on the trail that are between 20 and 30 years old and in need of significant repairs or replacement.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Washtenaw	300,000	0	300,000
46	W.G. Milliken State Park - Accessible Berm Development. Development of features related to the accessible pathway to the top of the big berm at WG Milliken State Park. The berm is used frequently by local residents as an exercise challenge. As a result, significant erosion has occurred. This project will provide a modern path to eliminate erosion and provide ADA accessibility to the top of the berm and memorable views of the Detroit River and Canada. Extensive landscaping is planned as part of this project which will enhance the beautify of this part of the park substantially.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Wayne	300,000	0	300,000
47	Ball Field Development at Fitzgerald Park. Development to create a youth ball field with ADA accessibility on a vacant and currently unused, ten-acre parcel that is adjacent to the city's iconic Fitzgerald Park. This project will include development of a 13U/14U+ baseball field, a minimum of three (3) ADA parking spaces, 3,500 square feet of ADA connecting sidewalks from the parking lot area and around the southwestern area of the field. In addition, there will be an ADA barrier-free viewing area, wheelchair accessible picnic tables, barrier-free portable bathrooms, bioretention stormwater treatment swale, a green privacy buffer along the southern boundary of the property , and a rustic connecting path into the 2.6 miles of existing trails in Fitzgerald Park.	City of Grand Ledge	Eaton	224,500	89,800	134,700

48	Harrisville State Park - Footbridge Replacement. Development to replace a footbridge that is a critical pedestrian link between the modern campground and the day-use beach area. The bridge is over 20 years old, and the abutments are failing due to erosion. The new bridge will provide an accessible route from the campground to the beach.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Alcona	50,000	0	50,000
49	Martin Road Park Walkways and Pavilion. Development of an accessible walking path, picnic pavilion and basketball court at the City of Ferndale's 20-acre Martin Road Park. The project will also include benches, trash and recycling bins, drinking fountain and picnic tables to enhance the community park.	City of Ferndale	Oakland	136,000	68,000	68,000
50	Grand Rogue Park. Development of the Grand Rogue Park at the confluence of the Rogue and Grand Rivers. The project includes the first water access at the site via an access dock, kayak launch, and observation deck. Additional improvements include a road and parking lot, pavilion, improvements to the existing play equipment, benches, picnic tables, grills, bike racks, and signage.	Plainfield Charter Township - Kent County	Kent	604,600	304,600	300,000
51	Sanborn Park and Nature Area Trail. Development at Sanborn Park including renovation of a play area with a fun nature-environment theme, trail improvements, educational signage, birdhouses, and parking lot to promote use of the park for hiking, biking, and enjoying the natural area.	City of Port Huron	St. Clair	205,000	105,000	100,000
52	Buck Creek Trailhead at Mill Race Park. Development of the Buck Creek Trailhead at Mill Race Park to add a pavilion, interpretive signage, "naturescape" playground, trail loop with bridge over Buck Creek, native plantings, and parking. The improvements will accentuate the natural beauty of the park, provide additional recreational amenities within walking distance of many residents, and improve access to the park's natural resources.	City of Grandville	Kent	462,600	231,300	231,300
53	Forester Park Playground Accessibility Renovation. Development to renovate a playground, seating and viewing areas, grills, and walkways at Forester Park on Lake Huron in Sanilac County. New, accessible playground equipment will be chosen to replace older metal slides and swings and complement accessible playground equipment obtained through a 2012 Trust Fund grant. The project will add accessible walkways from the parking area to benches for scenic viewing of Lake Huron and an accessible fire pit.	Sanilac County	Sanilac	160,400	80,200	80,200

54	East Paris Park Improvements. Development of East Paris Park to renovate the existing bituminous trails completed by a previous MNRTF grant. The trails will be replaced with an 8-foot wide limestone path that will provide an accessible surface that can easily be repaired when roots appear. The project also provides for various amenities including a trail map kiosk, LED lighting, benches, bike racks, grills, picnic tables, serving tables, and a reading trail.	City of Kentwood	Kent	428,200	214,100	214,100
55	Webber Township ORV Park. Development of the existing township park to complement the ORV Training Center construction on the adjacent Lake County property to the north (Application TF21-0141). Features include paved parking, access pathways and renovation of the existing shelter to provide the site's first modern restroom.	Webber Township	Lake	248,400	64,600	183,800
56	Cadillac Single-Track Bike Trail. Development of an all-season, sustainable Single-Track Trail at the Cadillac Pathway. The trail will be developed to attract mountain bikes as well as snow-shoe users in the winter. The single-track will run roughly parallel to the existing Cadillac Pathway, which is preferred by walkers, hikers, and cross-country skiers and adjacent to the Clam River. The single-track trail will attract local as well as regional mountain bikers, as there is not another single-track facility within a 45-minute drive of Cadillac.	Missaukee County	Missaukee	160,900	50,000	110,900
57	Branch Road Universal Design Fishing Access. Development of a universal-design fishing location off Branch Road just North of the City of Flint. The project will move an existing ADA fishing dock approximately 800 feet north of its current location and re-install it. The project will also include a paved parking lot, accessible vault toilet, paved paths connecting all elements, an accessible picnic area, LED lighting, fencing and facility signage. This location will better facilitate the parking area and enable universal accessibility. The ADA fishing dock, in its current location, does not allow for an accessible approach.	Genesee County	Genesee	325,000	84,500	240,500
58	Patton Park - Joe Louis Greenway Development. Development Project at Detroit's 93-acre Patton Park for both bicycle and pedestrian trails as part of the Joe Louis Greenway (JLG) in southwest Detroit. The Joe Louis Greenway is a 27-mile planned multi-use trail that extends from the Detroit Riverfront to Highland Park, Dearborn, and Hamtramck and includes the Dequindre Cut and portions of the Detroit Riverwalk. The bicycle portion of Michigan's Iron Belle Trail from Detroit to Ironwood runs concurrent with the JLG in this location.	City of Detroit	Wayne	650,000	350,000	300,000

59	Tittabawassee River Pedestrian Corridor. Development at upper Emerson Park to improve the Tittabawassee riverfront at the confluence of Sturgeon Creek and create a welcoming pedestrian green space. Two accessible pathways will connect the project site to the adjacent Pere Marquette Rail-Trail from which trail users can enjoy universally accessible views of the river with accessible picnic locations and riverfront wildfowl viewing. Overlook platforms on either side of the confluence will provide fishing opportunities at the mouth of the creek with new accessible railings along the existing seawall. Improvements will continue onto the Pere Marquette Rail-Trail where an existing pedestrian bridge between the pathways leading to the riverfront will receive new decking and railing that will open up universal viewing of Sturgeon Creek and the Tittabawassee River.	City of Midland	Midland	431,000	131,000	300,000
60	Buttermilk Creek Park Bathrooms and Parking. Development of the newly established 10.4-acre Buttermilk Creek Park natural area. The project will provide a public restroom building, a rain garden feature, and onsite parking lot. These amenities will serve both Buttermilk Creek Park and the Buttermilk Trail, which is a non-motorized public pathway system that the city has been constructing in segments over the past 10 years to enhance walkability and connectivity within the city and surrounding townships.	City of Hudsonville	Ottawa	305,200	152,600	152,600
61	Sparks County Park Pickleball Courts. Development project that includes the addition of a pickleball court complex to Sparks Foundation County Park (Cascades Park). The complex will include eight courts and is a renovation of the former tennis courts, which haven't been used since 2008. The project will include an 8-foot-wide access pathway that connects to Jackson County's state-wide trail network, a shade structure, and fencing. Cascades Park is a regional draw and is widely known for its world-famous Cascade Falls.	Jackson County	Jackson	456,600	156,600	300,000
62	Boyne City Open Space Pathway. Development of non-motorized pathways at the Boyne City Open Space Park. The parcel was recently purchased with MNRTF funding and is 4.6 acres with 600 feet of frontage on Lake Charlevoix. The site is used as an open space park available for public use and enhances the economic activity at adjacent properties including the public boat launch and commercial businesses downtown.	City of Boyne City	Charlevoix	420,000	120,000	300,000

63	Saginaw Riverfront Park - Phase 3 Development. Development of amenities at Saginaw Riverfront Park (acquired by the DNR in 2019). Since then, the DNR has been working with Saginaw County Parks to develop the park into a passive recreation area for the City of Saginaw with two previous Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grants to help fund phases 1 and 2 of the park development. The proposed project will develop an additional 0.75 miles of trail and a scenic overlook to the wetlands located at the southern end of the park, bringing the total developed trail length within the park to 2 miles and adding a premier location for birding and wildlife observation.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Saginaw	300,000	0	300,000
64	Pewabic Hill Mountain Bike Trail System. Development project for Iron Mountain's 102-acre Pewabic Hill Park for a mountain bike trail system. The park's hilltop terrain is ideal for mountain biking and offers spectacular views of downtown and the surrounding landscape. The project includes parking and signage for the park. Pewabic Hill will be part of the Dickinson Trail Network, a regional system of non-motorized trails at multiple locations throughout Dickinson County.	City of Iron Mountain	Dickinson	262,200	79,000	183,200
65	Romanowski Park - Joe Louis Greenway Development. Development Project at Detroit's 26-acre Romanowski Park for both bicycle and pedestrian trails as part of the Joe Louis Greenway in southwest Detroit. The Joe Louis Greenway is a 27-mile planned multi-use trail that extends from the Detroit Riverfront to Highland Park, Dearborn, and Hamtramck and includes the Dequindre Cut and portions of the Detroit Riverwalk.	City of Detroit	Wayne	500,000	200,000	300,000
66	Corporate Research Park Path Development. Development project to construct a 10-foot-wide ADA-accessible HMA pathway with 2-foot shoulders from the Forest Road Pathway located on Forest Road just east of US-127 overpass then heading southeasterly to the intersection of Technology Boulevard and Collins Road where the path will meet with bike lanes and proposed sidewalk and continue south on Collins Road to Dunckel Road to connect to existing non-motorized facilities.	Ingham	City of Lansing	971,000	671,000	300,000
67	Auburn Community Park ADA Improvements. Development at Auburn Community Park to improve accessibility and increase the use of the park for walking running, biking and other physical activities. The project will renovate and expand the trail within the park and add an accessible canoe-kayak launch. Accessible parking and	City of Auburn - Bay	Bay	354,700	105,000	249,700

walkways will be included in the project to connect park visitors with picnic tables, grills, and disc golf.

68	Iron Ore Heritage Trail - Marshlands Boardwalk. Development to provide a nature trail experience along the Iron Ore Heritage Trail in Negaunee. A new non-motorized trail and boardwalk loop off the main trail route, will provide access to a natural marshland for bird and wildlife viewing. The Iron Ore Heritage Trail is a 47-mile, year-round, multi-use trail that crosses the Marquette Iron Range through multiple communities in Marquette County and provides interpretive signage focusing on the region's mining heritage and bountiful natural resources.	Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority	Marquette	318,200	100,000	218,200
69	Straits State Park Improvements. Development project for the Learning Commons Building as part of the Straits of Mackinac Heritage Center located in the west unit of Straits State Park near St. Ignace, which includes the Father Marquette National Memorial. The Learning Commons is part of a long-range collaborative project between the DNR's Michigan Historical Center and regional partners such as Moran Township, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Mackinac Straits Health System, and Lake Superior State University. The Learning Commons Building will provide learning opportunities around the Anishinaabe and French heritage of the region. Native American perspectives on the natural world will be explored, as well as current and future uses of Michigan's natural resources.	DNR - Michigan Historical Center	Mackinac	611,900	311,900	300,000
70	Kies Road Iron Belle-North Country Trail Connector. Development of the IBT/NCT trailhead at Luton Park, operated by Kent County. The project will construct a non-motorized trail connector on the north side of Kies Road through a scenic rural part of the township. Trailhead developments will include a trail map, bike fix station, benches, a rain garden, and bike racks.	Cannon Township	Kent	1,516,600	1,216,600	300,000
71	Frog Island Trailhead Accessibility. Development project at Frog Island Park to design and construct an accessible canoe/kayak launch. Amenities will include: an accessible fishing space; an accessible path to the track and field; paving the parking area; van-accessible barrier-free parking and green stormwater controls. Frog Island is a prime location for Huron River Water Trail and Border to Border/Iron Belle Trail access.	City of Ypsilanti	Washtenaw	456,000	156,000	300,000

72	Paradise Park Improvements. Development of a multi-purpose sports field and pathway within Paradise Park. The existing ballfield will be renovated to improve drainage and facilitate the creation of a new wetland and sledding area at the park. An elevated boardwalk with an overlook deck will connect the new path to the adjacent neighborhood.	City of Fennville	Allegan	600,000	300,000	300,000
73	Clara Miller Park Playground. Development at Clara Miller Park in the Village of Wolverine Lake for a new accessible playground. The playground will feature poured-in-place rubberized safety surfacing and new play equipment designed to appeal to a variety of ages and abilities. The project also includes additional walkways and landscaping with a rain garden for gathering storm water.	Village of Wolverine Lake - Oakland	Oakland	200,000	100,000	100,000
74	Rayner Park Community-Build Playground. Development project in the City of Mason for a playground at Rayner Park, a 62-acre regional park which features multiple recreational opportunities including baseball, volleyball, soccer, performance stage, and two large ponds. The playground will replace the heavily used 28-year-old, deteriorating wooden play structure. The structure has been professionally evaluated and is recommended to be replaced due to inaccessibility, decayed wood, and the materials containing Chromated Copper Arsenate. The proposed new barrier-free playground will feature a variety of play equipment, access walkways and seating.	City of Mason	Ingham	485,000	242,500	242,500
75	Toth Park Playground Renovation. Development project at Toth Park to replace aged play equipment with new equipment and ADA surfacing. New ADA-accessible pathways will connect the play equipment to existing access paths, outdoor pavilion, and restrooms, creating an improved and safer user experience in the park.	City of Bridgman	Berrien	80,000	30,000	50,000
76	Memorial Grove All Abilities Park. Development of a new play structure at the All-Abilities Playlot at Halbach Field along the Paint Creek Trail. The new playlot will feature accessible playground equipment and safety surfacing.	City of Rochester	Oakland	300,000	75,000	225,000
77	Mitchell Park Shelter Renovation and Pathways. Development project to renovate shelters and restrooms at Mitchell Memorial Park. New pathways will connect the parking areas, shelters, and ball fields.	Raisin Charter Township	Lenawee	361,300	94,000	267,300

78	Cartier Park Bathhouse. Development project to remodel two bathhouses at Cartier Park, a 68-acre park with 2,500-feet of frontage on Lincoln Lake. Cartier Park hosts the only location in the city that offers camping opportunity and a natural forested setting. The bathhouse renovation will incorporate modern accessibility features.	City of Ludington	Mason	616,500	316,500	300,000
79	Nature Preserve Trail and Amenities. Development of the Thomas Township Nature Preserve to include a hiking and observation trail of approximately 3,700 feet by 8 feet and fully accessible. The trail will include six seating areas that can be used for rest or observation of the preserve, as well as the bodies of water that surround the preserve. The seating areas include benches and trash bins. The plan also includes a covered picnic pavilion area with accessible picnic tables, and an accessible observation deck and fishing platform. Interpretive signs will highlight the history of the Tittabawassee River, the preserve's location, native plantings, and habitat restoration projects.	Thomas Township - Saginaw	Saginaw	600,000	300,000	300,000
80	Plymouth Road Pathway Development. Development of a trail along Plymouth Road from the Marshall Nature Area through the Dixboro community area. The trail will provide non-motorized access to the Marshall Nature Area, which has onsite parking and offers nature trails for hiking and nature viewing opportunities. The trail will also connect to a park located in Dixboro named, "The Green", which has playground equipment and a ball diamond, and hosts community activities such as the Dixboro Farmers Market and township parks and recreation programming.	Superior Charter Township - Washtenaw	Washtenaw	478,000	178,000	300,000
81	Peek-a-Boo Trail. Development of a mountain bike trail network totaling 4 miles in length on DNR-owned land in Clark Township. The trail will offer multiple skill levels to accommodate beginner through experienced riders. The trail network will be constructed over existing cross-country ski trails. The forested property is adjacent to the Pearson Creek which features a large beaver pond.	Clark Township - Mackinac	Mackinac	269,700	69,400	200,300
82	Scott Road Multi-Use Trail Connector. Development to connect two non-motorized trails and enable trail users' access to the city's Main Park from the Fred Meijer CIS Trail. The new trail will connect the Townsend Road Multi-Use Trail to the new route alongside Scott Road from the Fred Meijer CIS to the corner of Scott and Sturgis Streets.	City of St. Johns	Clinton	311,000	155,500	155,500

83	Northfield Community Park - Pathways and Parking. Development of the newly acquired Northfield Township Community Park. This project will create the park entrance with a village green feel, along with parking and connected pathways. The central part of the park will encompass a figure-eight of walkable trails complementing the park's natural features.	Northfield Township	Washtenaw	430,000	130,000	300,000
84	Linden Park Pickleball Courts. Development of four pickleball courts, two multi-use tennis courts, paved parking facilities, a picnic area with tables, grills, and benches. The multi-use courts will be designed for either tennis or pickleball. The paved connection paths will join the parking facilities with the courts, picnic area and the multi-use trail that runs from the City of Linden to the north boundary of the park. This will allow for intergenerational park use and will be accessible to park users of all abilities.	Genesee County	Genesee	400,000	104,000	296,000
85	Carronde Park Tennis Court Renovation. Development to renovate the 45-year-old tennis courts at Carronde Park. This renovation will result in improved ADA access to the courts and the addition of pickleball courts and green space.	St. Joseph Charter Township	Berrien	92,400	42,400	50,000
86	Winter Sports Park Hockey Rink Pavilion. Development to install a pavilion to cover the existing hockey rink of approximately 115 feet by 215 feet in size. The pavilion will be nearly surrounded by bio-swales and a rain garden to manage the roof water run-off. Additionally, the project will include solar panels to further invest in resilient and sustainable practices of facility design. The solar panels will reduce utility costs to the city as well as dependence on fossil fuel. This investment in the community is made possible by the Petoskey Noon Rotary and other donors who chose the project to celebrate their 100-year anniversary. The pavilion will enhance community recreation and quality of life for generations once installed.	City of Petoskey	Emmet	600,000	302,000	298,000
87	Ball Fields and Universal Access Hunting Blind. Development of Russell Road Park, which was acquired with MNRTF assistance in a previous cycle. The project will construct a baseball diamond and universal access hunting blind within the wooded portion of the park. Site amenities will include an access driveway, parking, walkways, and spectator seating.	City of North Muskegon	Muskegon	1,053,700	753,700	300,000

88	Kedzie Kids Park Playground Renovation. Renovation of Kedzie Kids Park to replace 30-year-old play structure with a universally accessible play structure, swing, and surfacing, to improve play access for all ability levels. Renovation of the popular 0.3-acre neighborhood park will include a new accessible pathway from the parking area.	St. Joseph Charter Township	Berrien	84,600	34,600	50,000
89	Veteran's Park Playground and Access. Development of Garfield Township's Veteran's Park to include a reconfigured driveway, accessible walkways, and a universally accessible playground. Due to the park's popularity, the current entrance drive is congested and will be relocated to improve safety and traffic flow. In addition, accessible walkways will be added to improve access to amenities throughout the park and provide a fitness path.	Garfield Township - Kalkaska	Kalkaska	150,000	37,500	112,500
90	Community Outdoor Swimming Pool Renovation. Renovation of the outdoor swimming pool at Lions Field Park in Algonac. The pool, originally built in 1957, will be renovated to add a sloped entry, small water play features, new deck and fencing, and a new pool equipment building. The project will improve barrier-free access, promote safe, healthy living, and attract new visitors to St. Clair County.	City of Algonac	St. Clair	1,700,000	1,400,000	300,000
91	Main City Park Improvements. Development of Main City Park to increase accessibility to the Rotary Pavilion, ice rink and sand volleyball through the addition of paved parking, sidewalks, and accessible seating areas. The project will also renovate the sand volleyball court.	City of St. Johns	Clinton	99,800	49,900	49,900
92	Beaverton Trailhead. Development of a trailhead for the Beaverton Trail at Porter Street and M-18 in the City of Beaverton. The trailhead will provide barrier-free parking, bike loops, a trail information kiosk, wayfinding signage, benches, lighting, and other amenities. This project also includes a fishing or observation deck on Ross Lake. The intent is to improve access and safety for trail users and attract visitors from all over Michigan.	City of Beaverton	Gladwin	340,000	85,000	255,000
93	Yankee Springs Recreation Area - Beach Wall Replacement. Development to replace the stone beach wall in front of the renovated pavilion to improve access to the beach and protect the pavilion from high water and wave action on busy Gun Lake.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Barry	50,000	0	50,000

94	Yankee Springs Recreation Area - Fishing Pier Replacement. Development to replace the park's popular fishing pier at the Gun Lake day-use area. The pier has exceeded its useful life. This project will provide improved shoreline fishing access. The fishing pier will incorporate universal design principles including lowered railings where appropriate and other fishing amenities to make shoreline fishing more enjoyable for all users.	DNR - Parks and Recreation Division	Barry	120,000	0	120,000
95	Webster Park Splash Pad. Development project in the City of Escanaba to create a barrier-free splash park at Webster Park in a residential neighborhood. The Webster Park Splash Pad location is also adjacent to Webster School which houses the community's kindergarten program.	City of Escanaba	Delta	225,000	75,000	150,000
<u>DEVELOPMENT PROJECT SUMMARY</u>						
State of Michigan Ownership (13 Projects)				\$4,546,900	\$1,326,900	\$3,220,000
Local Government Ownership (82 Projects)				<u>\$50,026,300</u>	<u>\$29,953,800</u>	<u>\$20,072,500</u>
TOTAL:				\$54,573,200	\$31,280,700	\$23,292,500
<u>ACQUISITION & DEVELOPMENT PROJECT SUMMARY</u>						
State of Michigan Ownership (17 Projects)				\$12,596,900	\$1,326,900	\$11,270,000
Local Government Ownership (100 Projects)				<u>\$72,011,100</u>	<u>\$37,688,900</u>	<u>\$34,322,200</u>
TOTAL:				\$84,608,000	\$39,015,800	\$45,592,200

⁽¹⁾ Project descriptions provided by the Department of Natural Resources.