

# Appendix F—Natural Area Documentation

The Conservation Commission originally dedicated six natural areas at Tahquamenon Falls State park in 1954. These include Natural Area Preserves, Nature Study Preserve, and Scenic Sites.

There are no legally-dedicated natural areas currently at Tahquamenon Falls. However, approximately 17,800 acres was tentatively approved for proposed legal dedication in 1987. Though the formal dedication has not yet occurred, the PRD continues to manage these areas in a manner that meets Natural Area legislation.

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

AUGUST 13, 1954

**Dedication of Natural Areas**

The following memorandum was presented to the Commission:

April 26, 1954

Memorandum to the Director:

At the last departmental staff meeting we discussed at some length the recommendations of the Michigan Natural Areas Council for the dedication of natural areas in the Tahquamenon Falls and Porcupine Mountains state parks and in the Highland Recreation Area. I believe I am safe in saying that the recommendations of the Natural Areas Council were approved by the staff and that it was your intention that these recommendations be presented to the Commission. They are attached hereto with definitions of the terms used in describing the areas.

It is recommended that they be reviewed and adopted by the Commission.

ARTHUR C. ELMER  
Parks and Recreation Division

**NATURAL AREAS**

**Definitions**

The following definitions and general rules are recommended for application to the areas referred to in the accompanying report:

**NATURAL AREA PRESERVE**—An area of land having distinctive natural characteristics, dedicated to the preservation of natural conditions for lasting public enjoyment and educational benefits.

**General Rules**—The natural area preserve should be kept entirely free from structures of any kind, from cutting or clearing of timber, from altering of water levels, and from stripping bark or removing any vegetation except as follows: Fire lines and primitive foot trails may be provided where necessary for access. Signs may be posted on the boundary and at important points within the area. Simple shelters may be built in remote places where necessary for the protection of trail users. All clearing and construction work required for such purposes should be kept to a minimum and so executed as to retain the natural appearance of the area. The removal of botanical or other specimens should be for scientific purposes only and subject to special permit from the administrative agency. Hunting, fishing, berry picking, and measures for maintaining a normal balance of nature may be permitted but should be so regulated as to retain the natural character of the area.

**NATURE STUDY AREA**—An area of land having special significance in natural history, dedicated for the preservation of natural conditions in combination with the development and use of facilities for conservation education, the study and enjoyment of nature, and/or research in the fields of conservation and natural science.

**General Rules**—Such improvements as access roads, parking areas, nature trails, museums, and other facilities for public convenience and use may be provided. Projects for research in natural science would be appropriate. In providing improvements the dominant natural features should be preserved, and the natural appearance of the area as a whole should be retained.

**SCENIC SITE**—An area of land having unusual scenic values, dedicated for the preservation and enjoyment of natural beauty.

**General Rules**—The scenic features should be made available to the public by providing necessary improvements, such as access trails, roads, parking places and facilities for comfort and convenience. All improvements should be so located and made as to preserve the natural scenery. Planting exotic trees and other exotic plants, collecting or removing plants, and stripping bark, should not be permitted. Cutting or trimming trees should not be permitted except for necessary improvements and for enhancing views.

**NATURE RESERVATION**—An area of land having distinctive natural features set aside for maximum preservation of natural conditions consistent with the development and use of facilities for the enjoyment of nature and extensive types of recreation, and for the proper operation of the administrative unit.

**General Rules**—A nature reservation may contain one or more natural area preserves, nature study areas, scenic sites and/or conservation projects, each of which would be subject to the general rules applying thereto. Elsewhere in the reservation such improvements as access road, trails, parking areas and other facilities required for appropriate public uses would be permissible. Utilities and services required for the administration of adjacent lands would be permitted. All such improvements, however, should be so adjusted as to preserve the natural features that distinguish the reservation. The surroundings of any included units should be preserved in as natural a state as feasible, as buffer areas, and the whole reservation should retain a natural appearance. Areas for intensive recreation and other activities which might change or destroy the natural history values of the reservation should not be permitted.

MICHIGAN NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL

Alexander H. Smith  
Chairman

December 29, 1953

## RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MICHIGAN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

by the  
MICHIGAN NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL  
for the dedication of natural areas in and near  
TAHQUAMENON FALLS STATE PARK

## INTRODUCTION

This is an outstanding park with impressive scenic features and a wide variety of natural beauty. Much of the attraction which sets this park apart is due to its primeval forest and the wilderness character of the region. Reasonable access obviously is necessary and certain improvements are required for public service, but overdevelopment, or reduction of its wilderness character, or domination of the natural scenery by man-made structures, would seriously impair the attractions which now distinguish the area. It is our conviction that by properly zoning areas for public use it is possible to permanently preserve the natural beauty inherent in the region, and at the same time provide for its full enjoyment by all segments of the public. Toward this end we offer the followings:

## RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Conservation Commission dedicate certain areas in the Tahquamenon Falls State Park, and in the Lake Superior State Forest adjacent thereto, as depicted on the attached map and described below:

1. SOUTHSIDE NATURAL AREA PRESERVE, comprising all state-owned land in the park project south of the Tahquamenon River between the Upper and Lower Falls, exclusive of sites at the falls and exclusive of those descriptions involved in exchanges approved by the Commission, April 16, 1952.

Land Description

This area is more particularly described as:

All state-owned land south of the Tahquamenon River in the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 31, 32 and 33, T 49 N, R 7 W; Sec. 4, 5 and 6, T 48 N, R 7 W, except the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  and the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 6; and Sec. 12, T 48 N, R 8 W, except the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Justification

Although the original pine was removed and some hemlock timber has been cut in the past, this area has the aspect of a primeval forest. The terrain varies from steep slopes, cut with deep ravines, to flat, swampy areas near the mouths of tributary streams. The soil is mostly heavy clay and sandstone debris. The timber is mixed hardwood and hemlock with scattered white pines on the upland and a cedar-white birch complex on the low ground. Because of its present unspoiled condition, its rugged terrain, and its isolated location, we believe the best use of this area would be as a natural area preserve and that development should be limited to simple foot trails.

2. OLD TRAIL NATURAL AREA PRESERVE, comprising all state-owned land between the Newberry-Paradise County Road and a line at least a quarter-mile north and west of the old Big Falls Trail, exclusive of an area at the park headquarters, and exclusive of a 10-rod strip along the county road right of way.

### Land Description

This area is more particularly described as:

All state-owned land between a line 10 rods northwesterly of the right of way of the Newberry-Paradise County Road and a line running north from the center of Sec. 11, T 48 N, R 8 W, to the center of Sec. 35, T 49 N, R 8 W; thence east one-half mile, north one-half mile, east one-half mile, and north one-half mile to the center of Sec. 25; thence east on quarter lines to the center of Sec. 29, T 49 N, R 7 W; thence south to the county road; exclusive of the headquarters area of approximately 40 acres near the center of Sec. 31.

### Justification

This area combines a variety of features of scenic and scientific interest. Blended in it are ancient moraines covered with hardwood-hemlock forest, heavily wooded sand dunes marking an early border of the Great Lakes, cedar swamps, and a succession of old shore ridges interspersed with swales and muskegs. Plant growth in great variety follows the pattern of the land formations - hardwood timber on the heavy soil, pines on the sandy ridges, cedar and white birch in some low places, stunted spruce, shrubby plants and mosses in swales and muskegs. Because of its natural beauty, its display of ecological processes, and its scientific values, we believe that this area should be set aside as a natural area preserve, with development limited to primitive-type trails. We believe that the old Big Falls Trail, because of its historic interest and potential usefulness, should be developed and maintained in a manner compatible with a natural area preserve and consistent with its early use.

3. BETSY LAKE NATURAL AREA PRESERVE, comprising an area in the Lake Superior State Forest north and northwest of the Tahquamenon Falls State Park, including Betsy, Clark and Sheephead lakes, and distinctive natural features surrounding them.

### Land Description

This area is more particularly described as:

All state-owned land in that part of the Lake Superior State Forest bounded on the north by the south boundary of the Betsy River Road; on the west by the west lines of Sec. 9, 16, 21, 28 and 33, T 49 N, R 8 W, and on the south, east and northeast by a line running from the southwest corner of Sec. 33, T 49 N, R 8 W, east to the south quarter post of Sec. 35; thence north one-half mile, east one-half mile, north one-half mile, east one-half mile, north one-half mile and east one-half mile to the east quarter post of Sec. 25, T 49 N, R 8 W; thence east one and one-half miles and north one-half mile to the north quarter post of Sec. 29; T 49 N, R 7 W; thence east on the north line of Sec. 29, 28, 27 and 26 to the west boundary of the Newberry-Paradise County Road; thence northerly and northwesterly along the westerly boundary of the Newberry-Paradise County Road and the Farm Truck Trail to the Betsy River Road.

### Justification

Bordered with wooded sand dunes, evergreen swamps and open marshland, Betsy, Clark, and Sheephead lakes have distinctive natural beauty. They are set in a region suggestive of the far north - a wilderness, not of heavy forest, but of muskeg, sandy ridges and broad open spaces; of picturesque pines, stunted spruce and struggling vegetation. Its timber potential is slight and greatly outweighed by its scientific values, its natural beauty and its character of remoteness. We believe

that this area should be preserved permanently in a natural state and that development should be limited to primitive foot trails.

4. BETWEEN-FALLS NATURE STUDY AREA, comprising the land between the Upper and Lower Falls northwest of the Tahquamenon River and southeast of the Newberry-Paradise County Road; exclusive of areas at both falls, an area at the park headquarters, and a 10-rod strip along the county road right of way.

Land Description

This area is more particularly described as:  
Those parts of the following descriptions lying north and west of the Tahquamenon River and southeasterly of a line 10 rods from the right of way of the Newberry-Paradise County Road; the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 29, Sec. 31 except the headquarters area of approximately 40 acres, near the center of the section, and the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 32, T 49 N, R 7 W; the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 36, T 49 N, R 8 W; Sec. 1, except the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 12, T 48 N, R 8 W; and entire Sec. 6, T 48 N, R 7 W.

Justification

A large part of this area is rugged with high banks, ridges and steep slopes broken with sharp ravines which widen in places near the river. Clay soils and sandstone debris mark much of the area. The tree growth is mostly hardwood and hemlock with scattered white pine and cedar. The forest is exceptional in its density, in the grouping of species, and in the huge size of individual trees.

This area also incorporates a section of wooded sand dunes, old shore ridges, bogs and muskegs, with vegetation in sharp contrast to the big timber. Because of its distinctive natural features, its accessibility, and its significance for nature education, we believe that the best use of this area would be as a nature study area, with the natural conditions preserved to the greatest extent feasible.

5. UPPER FALLS SCENIC SITE, described as: All state-owned land southeast of the Newberry-Paradise County Road in the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 1, and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 12, T 48 N, R 8 W.
6. LOWER FALLS SCENIC SITE, described as those parts of the following descriptions west of the entrance road and campground: that part of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 29, south of the Newberry-Paradise County Road, and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 32, T 49 N, R 7 W.

Justification

To a large proportion of the public the falls unquestionably are the greatest attraction of the park. We believe, however, that this appeal is not due to the falls alone, but largely to their setting in natural surroundings. While recognizing that adequate provisions for public use are required, we believe that improvements should be limited to essentials and kept in harmony with the natural features. We believe that dedicating the falls areas as scenic sites would aid in permanent preservation and would promote public appreciation of the falls.

MICHIGAN NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL

December 29, 1954

Alexander H. Smith, Chairman

SUPPLEMENT TO  
RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MICHIGAN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

by the  
MICHIGAN NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL  
for the dedication of natural areas in and near  
TAHQUAMENON FALLS STATE PARK

INTRODUCTION

During study of potential natural areas the Council was impressed with the desirability of certain measures that would be in the public interest, although not vital to the dedication of the natural areas as recommended. Accordingly, these matters are presented independently of the recommendations for natural areas for such consideration as they may merit.

SUGGESTIONS

A. FOOT TRAILS

To increase public enjoyment while preserving the natural beauty of the park it is suggested that primitive foot trails be provided as follows:

1. North River Trail - on the north side of the Tahquamenon River, between the Lower and Upper Falls.
2. South River Trail - on the south side of the Tahquamenon River, between the Lower and Upper Falls.
3. Old Big Falls Trail - following the old blazed trail from a point on the Clark Lake Trail to the Upper Falls.
4. High Ridge Trail - southeast from the Lower Falls, along the high ranges of old sand dunes to the existing auto trail at the lower end of the river.

B. WILDERNESS ASPECT

It is suggested that dead and over mature trees that constitute a hazard along roads, parking lots, and the like, be removed with a minimum change in the natural appearance of the forest.

In case of need for harvesting timber in the future it is suggested that such harvesting be confined to parts well away from the river and other distinctive features, and well outside of any dedicated natural areas, and then limited to selective cutting that would not detract from the natural appearance of the park as a whole.

C. PARK BOUNDARIES

A number of adjustments in boundaries appear desirable for extending the park service and protecting park values, by including in one unit those features of special park significance that distinguish the region. Logical boundaries would promote public knowledge and enjoyment of the park and would simplify planning, management and public information.

Changes are suggested in the park boundaries approximately as shown on the attached map and described as follows:

1. Northwest Boundary

In the northwest end of the park the present boundary eliminates from the park a corner of Sec. 36, southeast of the county road, that obviously should be in the park. It also eliminates a stretch of the old Big Falls Trail which has decided park significance and we believe should be wholly in the park.

2. South Boundary

The lower river is an outstanding feature. To permanently protect the public values in it we believe that the boundary should be expanded to include a strip along the south bank, and that ownership should ultimately be acquired by the state.

3. North Boundary

The section incorporating Camp Ten Lakes and a rough area of high wooded dunes surrounding them is scenic in itself and presents spectacular views of the river valley, Whitefish Bay, and distant mountains in Canada. Access is by the Timberlost Trail. We believe that these features have great significance to the park and that they should be wholly within the park project.

It appears to us that more space north of the county road in the vicinity of the Lower Falls would be desirable, to provide ample buffer and greater flexibility in development.

More buffer area also appears desirable along the north side of the lower river. While a boundary to incorporate these features and advantages would be somewhat flexible, the one suggested appears logical because it is simple, direct and almost entirely on section lines.

MICHIGAN NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL

Alexander H. Smith  
Chairman

December 29, 1953



MINUTES OF MEETING

MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Harley Hotel  
3600 Dunckel-Jolly Road Exit at I-496  
and  
Law Building Auditorium  
525 West Ottawa  
Lansing, Michigan

December 2-3, 1987

**PRESENT:**

Marlene J. Fluharty, Chairman  
Thomas J. Anderson  
Kerry Kammer  
O. Stewart Myers  
David D. Olson

Gordon E. Guyer, Director  
Thomas Emery, Assistant Attorney General  
Barbara E. McLeod, Commission and Legislative Liaison  
Department Staff

**ABSENT:**

Raymond Poupore

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**PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

Hurley Coleman, Jr., Recreation Director, City of Saginaw  
Horiatio S. Davis, Arenac County  
Jay Dubey, Thumb National Bank  
Dr. Daniel Krichbaum, Recreation Director, City of Detroit  
Larry LaVoie, Vice Chair, Saginaw Bay 7 County Fish Consortium  
Bill Martin, State Representative  
Bill Scarbrough, Michigan Fish Producers' Association  
Robert Steele, Thumb National Bank  
John Turausky, Parks and Recreation Director, City of Marquette  
Forrest Williams, Michigan Fish Producers' Association  
Anne Woiwode, Sierra Club

**CONTESTED CASE HEARING PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

Harry J. Knudsen, Counsel for James Wood, et al  
Sheldon A. Silver, Assistant Attorney General

4. **Rules Promulgation for Administration of the Goemaere-Anderson Wetland Protection Act—Tentative Approval:** Commissioner Anderson, supported by Commissioner Olson, moved approval of the staff recommendation, with the following statement to be submitted to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules as soon as possible. The Motion carried by voice vote; Commissioner Poupore absent.

The Natural Resources Commission understands that there are several important issues which are not addressed in this rules package. However, we believe this is a positive first step. The rules have our strong endorsement because they clarify key definitions, and they will assure our ability to reissue a general permit that gives expedited processing for many projects.

The Natural Resources Commission directs Dr. Guyer to work with the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules to expedite the adoption of rules as a first step in resolving wetland permit issues.

We are strongly committed to work with representatives of all affected interests to draft a second set of rules that will address the remaining issues. We ask the Director to bring you a second rules package as soon as possible.

5. **Request for Tentative Approval for Dedication of the Ludington Dunes Natural Area:** Commissioner Anderson, supported by Commissioner Myers, moved approval. The Motion carried by voice vote; Commissioners Kammer and Poupore absent.

6. **Request for Tentative Approval for Dedication of Tahquamenon Falls Natural Area:** Commissioner Olson, supported by Commissioner Anderson, moved approval. The Motion carried by voice vote; Commissioners Kammer and Poupore absent.

7. **Proposed Certificate of Accretion Covering Former Bottomlands of Lake Huron at Oscoda, Michigan, to Alfred and Vera McCuaig, File Lake Huron 309:** Commissioner Anderson, supported by Commissioner Olson, moved approval. The Motion carried by voice vote; Commissioners Kammer and Poupore absent.

8. **Concession - Highland Recreation Area Riding Stable - Oakland County:** Commissioner Anderson, supported by Commissioner Myers, moved approval. The Motion carried by voice vote; Commissioners Kammer and Poupore absent.

Deputy Director Bails noted that insurance documents must be reviewed by Department staff prior to the concession going into effect.

9. **Concession - Pontiac Lake Recreation Area Riding Stable - Oakland County:** Commissioner Anderson, supported by Commissioner Myers, moved approval. The Motion carried by voice vote; Commissioners Kammer and Poupore absent.

10. **REAL ESTATE MATTERS:**

Commissioner Myers, supported by Commissioner Olson, moved approval of the following Real Estate Matters. The Motion carried by voice vote; Commissioners Kammer and Poupore absent.

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MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
(EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT)

November 16, 1987

Memorandum to the Natural Resources Commission

SUBJECT: Request for Tentative Approval for Dedication of Tahquamenon Falls Natural Area

**Authority**

Act 241 of the Public Acts of 1972 authorizes the Natural Resources Commission to establish and regulate wilderness, wild, and natural areas on State owned, Department managed lands.

**Discussion and Background**

The proposed natural area is a 17,800 acre tract located in Chippewa and Luce counties in the western half of Tahquamenon State Park. All of the proposed natural area is State owned. It includes diverse geological and biological features of high quality, and the scenic beauty of the second largest waterfall east of the Mississippi. Sufficient land has been reserved from the site to allow for future planned park facilities.

The Natural Resources Commission granted permission to hold a public hearing on the proposal at its March 1987 Commission meeting. A notice of the public hearing was published in the Detroit News, Marquette Mining Journal, and the St. Ignace News. The Office of Public Information issued a press release to newspapers, radio and television stations throughout the State.

On July 8, 1987, public hearings were held in Paradise and Newberry, Michigan. Ten individuals attended and filled out attendance cards. Six letters were received during the time the hearing record remained open. All letters received were in support of the proposal. Persons speaking at the public hearing were generally not supportive, in part because of restrictions on use of motor boats on the inland lakes after dedication.

Attached is a location map, the draft administrative rule describing the site, and the Administrative Rule Report on the 17,800 acre site proposed for dedication under the Wilderness and Natural Areas Act.

**Recommendation**

Staff is recommending that the Natural Resources Commission grant tentative approval to the proposed rules dedicating Tahquamenon Falls Natural Area under the Wilderness and Natural Areas Act.

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The recommendation to dedicate this area has the concurrence of Parks Division, which has the administrative responsibility for this site, and the Land and Water Management Division.

*Jack Butterfield Hz*

JACK BUTTERFIELD, CHIEF  
Parks Division

*Dennis J. Hall*

DENNIS J. HALL, CHIEF  
Land and Water Management Division

I have analyzed and discussed this recommendation with the Deputy Directors and staff and we concur.

*Gordon E. Guyer*

GORDON E. GUYER  
Director

Policy Number 2704  
Procedure Number 2704.4

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
COMMISSION OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
WILDERNESS AND NATURAL AREAS

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This rule takes effect 15 days after filing with the Secretary of State.

(By authority conferred on the natural resources commission by section 4 of Act No. 241 of the Public Acts of 1972, being §322.754 of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

Regulation No. 17, Chippewa county.

R 322.17.1. Tahquamenon Falls natural area.

Rule 1. The following described area in the Tahquamenon Falls state park is dedicated as a natural area under the designation of Tahquamenon Falls natural area: Northwest 1/4 of northwest 1/4 of section 4; west 1/2 of northwest 1/4 of section 5; entire section 6; T48N, R7W. Southeast 1/4 of northeast 1/4, south 1/2 of southwest 1/4, southeast 1/4 of section 7, excluding existing unimproved dirt road to Sheephead Lake, being 66 feet in width; entire section 8; all that part of section 9 west of East Tower Betsy River and Farm Truck Trail roads; all the part of section 15 south of Farm Truck Trail road; entire section 16 south of Farm Truck Trail road; entire section 17; entire section 18, excluding existing road to Sheephead Lake, being 66 feet in width; entire sections 19, 20, and 21; northwest 1/4, north 1/2 of northeast 1/4, west 1/2 of southwest 1/4 of section 22; southwest 1/4 south of M-123 right-of-way, west 1/2 of section 29 northerly and westerly of existing department of natural resources snowmobile trail and excluding the existing unimproved road to Clark Lake, being 66 feet in width; entire section 30, except existing unimproved road to Clark Lake, being 66 feet in width, and excluding a 50-by-100 foot parking area in the southeast 1/4 of northwest 1/4, located no closer than 100 feet to the shore of Clark Lake; all that part of north 1/2 of northeast 1/4, west 1/2 of southwest 1/4 of northeast 1/4, west 1/2 of section 31 northerly and westerly of existing department of natural resources snowmobile trail, all that part of section 31 south and east of M-123 right-of-way, except northeast 1/4 of southeast 1/4, also except southeast 1/4 of northeast 1/4; all that part of northwest 1/4 of section 32 northerly of existing department of natural resources snowmobile trail, and south of M-123 right-of-way, except beginning 660 feet north of west 1/4 corner, then east 660 feet, south 330 feet, east 660 feet, south 330 feet, east 660 feet, south 660 feet, east to river, southwesterly along river to west section line, north to beginning, also except government lots 2 and 3, also except islands in west 1/2 of northeast 1/4; southwest 1/4 of southwest 1/4 of section 33 south of the river; T49N, R7W. The total area in Chippewa county is 7,987.4 acres, more or less.

April 24, 1987

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
COMMISSION OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
WILDERNESS AND NATURAL AREAS

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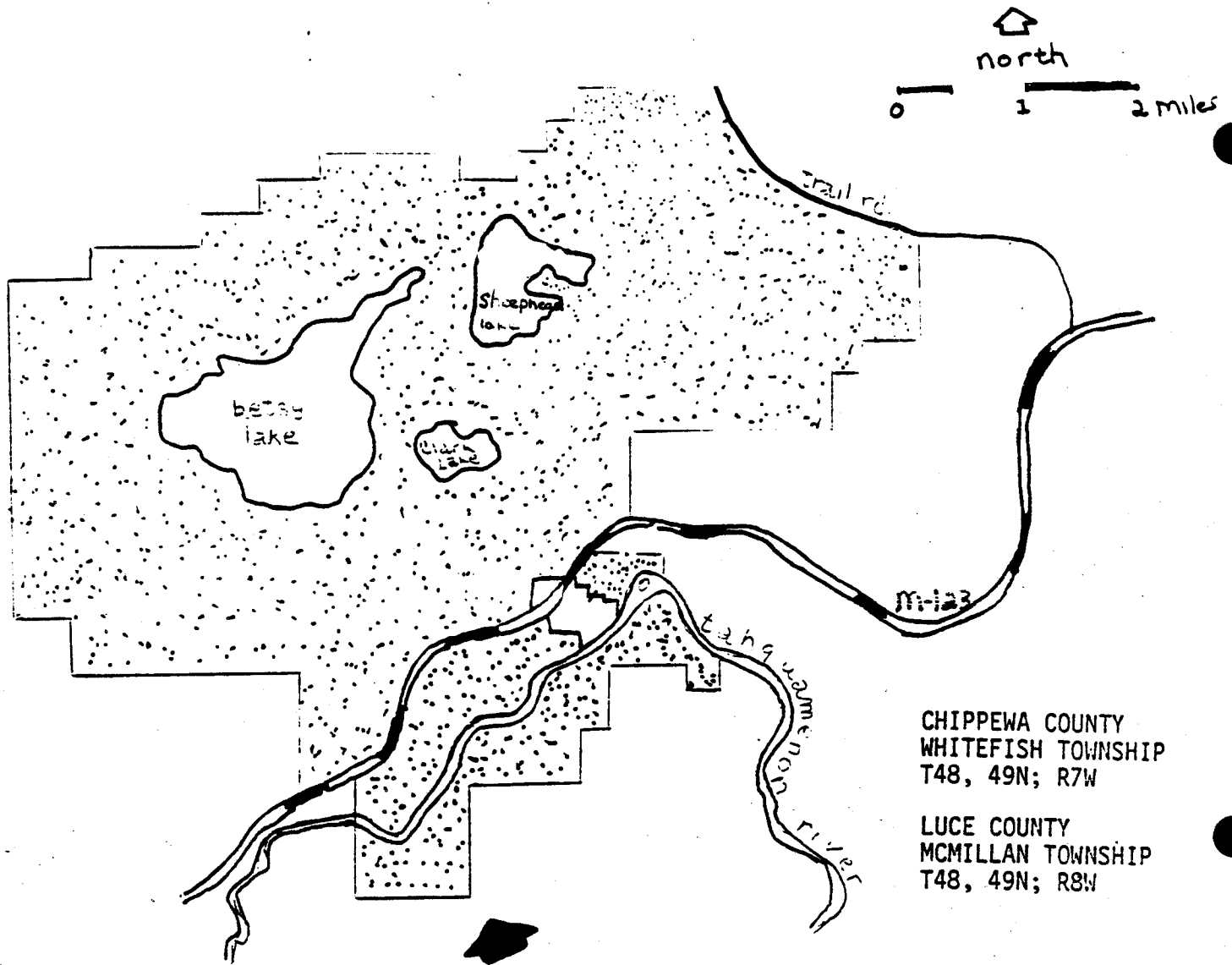
Regulation No. 48, Luce county.

R 322.48.1. Tahquamenon Falls natural area.

Rule 1. The following described area in Tahquamenon Falls state park is dedicated as a natural area under the designation of Tahquamenon Falls natural area: West 1/2 of section 1 westerly of existing department of natural resources snowmobile trail, power line easement, and M-123 right-of-way, remainder of section south and east of M-123, except southeast 1/4 of southwest 1/4; east 1/2 of section 2 north of existing department of natural resources snowmobile trail, and M-123 right-of-way; northeast 1/4 of section 11 north of existing department of natural resources snowmobile trail and M-123 right-of-way; entire section 12, except northeast 1/4 of northwest 1/4, and except west 1/2 of government lot 4, and except south 1,000 feet of the east 700 feet of government lot 8; T48N R8W.

Southeast 1/4 of southwest 1/4, south 1/2 of southeast 1/4, northeast 1/4 of southeast 1/4 of section 11; south 1/2 of section 12; entire sections 13 and 14; northeast 1/4 of northeast 1/4, south 3/4 of section 15; southeast 1/4 of northeast 1/4, south 1/2 of section 16; entire sections 21 to 28 inclusive; entire section 33, except southwest 1/4; entire sections 34 and 35; southeast 1/4 of section 36 south of M-123 right-of-way and all that part of section 36 lying northerly and westerly of existing department of natural resources snowmobile trail and power line easement; T49N, R8W. The total area in Luce county is 9,891 acres, more or less.

April 24, 1987



CHIPPEWA COUNTY  
 WHITEFISH TOWNSHIP  
 T48, 49N; R7W

LUCE COUNTY  
 MCMILLAN TOWNSHIP  
 T48, 49N; R8W

**TAHQUAMENON FALLS NATURAL AREA**  
 17,800 acres

