



## List of State Wildlife/Game Areas of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) or the DNR Wildlife Division (WLD) Lands plus Summary

(a.k.a. list of State Wildlife & Game Areas (SW/GAs), "Wildlife-Lands", "WLD-lands", WLD-Focus-areas, WLD-Project-areas, etc.)

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**Important Note:** this is a living document, subject to change as needed or when changes occur; therefore, please return to the latest version of this document for updates, provided online at ... [\[here\]](#).

**The purpose of this document** is to clearly communicate the current WLD named focus-area information and updated summaries; All those specific "named focus-area" land areas of particular interest to the Michigan DNR Wildlife Division (WLD), are, for ease of communication, termed State Wildlife / Game Areas (SW/GAs or SWGAs), or "Wildlife-Lands", "WLD-lands", WLD Focus-Areas and/or WLD Project Areas. For simplicity, refer to these grouped areas as SW/GAs or WLD-lands.

**Ensure** you read the notes and important clarifications for readers or users of this document and the two tables, at the end of this document. To ease repeat reference in named-area details, the tables have been re-ordered and the State-wide summary table now follows the named-area table, with readers notes at

**Table 1** is a complete current listing of each specifically-named and unique WLD focus-area, provided with some primary summary details (county name, acreage, etc.). WLD actually co-manages, cooperates and consults on every acre of State or DNR land, as per DNR and State policy standards. Table 1 lists those Dedicated and named unique focus-areas of particular interest & priority to DNR-WLD, in alphabetical order.

**Table 2** is State-wide summary of WLD-lands, with sub-groupings summarized by area-type, co-management or cooperator areas. If you don't understand the different "types" of areas, please see notes at end.

**Table 1: List of State Wildlife and Game Areas -or- WLD-Lands, WLD Focus Areas, etc. (official names)**

| Official name of each State Wildlife and Game Areas (SW/GAs), WLD-Lands, WLD Focus Areas, or WLD Project Areas (in alphabetical order, using long-format official name) ... | area type as an abbreviation (type abbreviated) | this area's county or counties (If this area spans multiple counties, then the first county name listed is that county with the majority portion of this area, followed by next, etc.) | this area is in what DNR-WLD management Region? (regions are: UP, NLP, SWLP, or SELP) | this area formally Dedicated to DNR-WLD? ("yes" -or- blank if "no" -> see next column) See notes at end. | this area has which DNR div, agency, or entity is the lead on area land administration (abbrev. name identifies comanager/cooperator) | total size in acres of this area (approx. acres) | acres of water in this area*** ("##/##" =format [(approx. acres water) / acres-Great-Lakes water only]) See notes at end. |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|
| Adams Township State Game Area  | SGA   | Hillsdale  | SELP  | yes  | DNR-WLD   | 181.2  | [1 / 0]   |
| Addis Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA   | Missaukee, Kalkaska  | NLP   | ->   | DNR-FRD   | 110.0  | [71 / 0]  |
| Allegan State Game Area   | SGA   | Allegan  | SWLP  | yes  | DNR-WLD   | 51,355.0   | [2227 / 0]  |
| Almer Township State Game Area  | SGA   | Tuscola  | SELP  | yes  | DNR-WLD   | 160.0  | [nil / 0]   |

Note: shaded line entries (with row backshaded in light green) are those formally Dedicated to WLD by official State process with DNR Director and NRC.

\*\* Note#2: Area names marked with, or followed by a double-asterisk, are comanaged or cooperator areas like Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), etc.

See notes at end, for explanations of comanaged or cooperator areas and more.

| TABLE 1 continued: | official area name  | area type | counties             | WLD Region | Ded. To WLD? | land admin lead?                                | size acres approx. | acres water/GL    |  |
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|                    | Au Train Basin Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Alger                | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 6,836.0            | [ 564 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Backus Creek State Game Area  | SGA       | Roscommon            | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 4,379.0            | [ 655 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Backus Creek Grouse Enhanced Management Site is part of & entirely within Backus SGA (above)  |           |                      |            |              |   |                    |                   |  |
|                    | — GEMS  | Roscommon | NLP                  | yes        | DNR-WLD      | (no acreage, as would cause a double -count ac) |                    |                   |  |
|                    | Bakale Wildlife Unit of Bass River State Recreation Area  | PRD Unit  | Ottawa               | SWLP       | ->           | DNR-PRD   | 830.0              | [ 244 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Baraga Plains Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Baraga               | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 13,362.0           | [ 27 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Barker Creek Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Crawford             | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 49.0               | [ 8 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Barry State Game Area   | SGA       | Barry                | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 17,179.0           | [ 465 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Bear Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Roscommon            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 943.0              | [ 69 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Beaver Islands State Wildlife Research Area   | SWRA      | Charlevoix, Leelanau | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 43,439.0           | [ 15552 / 14965 ] |  |
|                    | Bentley Marsh Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Gladwin              | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 1,445.0            | [ 63 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Betsie River State Game Area  | SGA       | Benzie               | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 741.0              | [ 38 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Bill Rollo Memorial Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Marquette            | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 6,595.0            | [ 5 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Black Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Mackinac             | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 2,777.5            | [ 176 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Blendon Township State Game Area  | SGA       | Ottawa               | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 180.1              | [ 37 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Blind Sucker River Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Luce                 | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 5,084.3            | [ 439 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Blomgren's Marsh Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Dickinson            | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 570.0              | [ 97 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Blue Bill Creek Grouse Enhanced Management Site with US Forest Service  | GEMS      | Goegebic             | UP         | ->           | FED /US Forest Service                          | 9,772.0            | [ 134 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Bluff Creek/ US-10/ M-18 Floodings Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Midland              | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 790.0              | [ 232 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Boyle Lake State Wildlife Area  | SWA       | Berrien              | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 407.0              | [ 28 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Brookfield Township Number 1 State Game Area  | SGA       | Huron                | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 204.0              | [ 11 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Brookfield Township Number 2 State Game Area  | SGA       | Huron                | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 40.0               | [ 1 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Brownstown Prairie State Wildlife Area  | SWA       | Wayne                | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 56.0               | [ 1 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | <i>Bullock Ranch Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) &amp; now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i>                |           |                      |            |              |   |                    |                   |  |
|                    | <i>Cannon Creek Floodings No.2 Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2019March26) &amp; now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i> |           |                      |            |              |   |                    |                   |  |
|                    | Cannon Creek Floodings Number 1 Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Missaukee            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD   | 168.2              | [ 86 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Cannonsburg State Game Area   | SGA       | Kent                 | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 1,363.0            | [ 8 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Cass City State Game Area   | SGA       | Tuscola, Sanilac     | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD   | 1,202.0            | [ 18 / 0 ]        |  |

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|---|-----------|----------------------|------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Cedar River Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Menominee            | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 3,088.0            | [ 19 / 0 ]     |
| Charlotte (Eaton Township) State Game Area  | SGA       | Eaton                | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 39.8               | [ 3 / 0 ]      |
| Chelsea State Game Area   | SGA       | Washtenaw            | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 802.0              | [ 301 / 0 ]    |
| Chesterfield Township State Game Area   | SGA       | Macomb               | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 142.0              | [ 1 / 0 ]      |
| Clark Lake State Game Area  | SGA       | Tuscola              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 89.3               | [ 8 / 0 ]      |
| Columbia Township State Game Area   | SGA       | Tuscola              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 210.0              | [ 1 / 0 ]      |
| Connor's Marsh Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Crawford             | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,052.0            | [ 16 / 0 ]     |
| Cornish State Game Area   | SGA       | Van Buren            | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 492.0              | [ 3 / 0 ]      |
| Cranberry Lake Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Chippewa             | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 263.0              | [ 73 / 0 ]     |
| Crane Pond State Game Area  | SGA       | Cass                 | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 4,214.3            | [ 38 / 0 ]     |
| Crow Island State Game Area   | SGA       | Bay, Saginaw         | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 4,221.0            | [ 839 / 0 ]    |
| Cusino State Wildlife Research Area   | SWRA      | Alger                | UP         | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 1,538.0            | [ 3 / 0 ]      |
| Dansville State Game Area   | SGA       | Ingham               | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 4,997.7            | [ 31 / 0 ]     |
| Davisburg State Game Area   | SGA       | Oakland              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 110.0              | [ 1 / 0 ]      |
| Dead Stream Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Roscommon, Missaukee | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,024.0            | [ 424 / 0 ]    |
| Deadman Swamp Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Clair                | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,885.0            | [ 16 / 0 ]     |
| <i>Deer River Flooding Wildlife Management Area** retired (2020Mar.03) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i> |           |                      |            |              |                  |                    |                |
| Deford State Game Area  | SGA       | Tuscola              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 10,392.0           | [ 3 / 0 ]      |
| Denmark Township State Game Area  | SGA       | Tuscola              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 95.0               | [ 1 / 0 ]      |
| Denton Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Roscommon            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 805.0              | [ 42 / 0 ]     |
| Devil's Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Alpena               | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 912.0              | [ 693 / 0 ]    |
| Dingman Marsh Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Cheboygan            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 4,863.0            | [ 78 / 0 ]     |
| Dog Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Cheboygan            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,576.0            | [ 210 / 0 ]    |
| Dollarville Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Luce                 | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 3,013.0            | [ 447 / 0 ]    |
| Drummond Island Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Chippewa             | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 3,027.0            | [ 42 / 0 ]     |
| Drummond Island Pigeon Cove Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Chippewa             | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 160.0              | [ 52 / 0 ]     |
| Edmore State Game Area  | SGA       | Montcalm, Isabella   | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 3,809.0            | [ 6 / 0 ]      |
| Elmwood Township State Game Area  | SGA       | Tuscola              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 271.0              | [ 1 / 0 ]      |

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|                    | Erie State Game Area   | SGA       | Monroe              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 4,157.0            | [ 2797 / 935]  |
|                    | Fabius Township State Game Area  | SGA       | St. Joseph          | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 174.0              | [ 42 / 0]      |
|                    | <i>Felch Mountain Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i>  |           |                     |            |              |                  |                    |                |
|                    | Fish Point State Wildlife Area   | SWA       | Tuscola             | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 9,514.0            | [ 3882 / 3406] |
|                    | Flat River State Game Area   | SGA       | Ionia, Montcalm     | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 11,811.5           | [ 231 / 0]     |
|                    | Flynn Township State Game Area   | SGA       | Sanilac             | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 264.0              | [ 1 / 0]       |
|                    | Fraser Township Number 1 (Townline Road) State Game Area   | SGA       | Bay                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 46.0               | [ 1 / 0]       |
|                    | Fraser Township Number 2 (Kitchen Road) State Game Area  | SGA       | Bay                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 35.0               | [ 15 / 0]      |
|                    | French Farm Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Emmet               | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,948.0            | [ 710 / 0]     |
|                    | <i>Friday Flooding Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i> |           |                     |            |              |                  |                    |                |
|                    | Fuller Woods State Game Area   | SGA       | Van Buren           | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 85.0               | [ 1 / 0]       |
|                    | Fulton State Game Area   | SGA       | Kalamazoo           | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 680.0              | [ 3 / 0]       |
|                    | Gagetown State Game Area   | SGA       | Huron, Tuscola      | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 1,344.0            | [ 5 / 0]       |
|                    | Garden Grade Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Delta, Schoolcraft  | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 6,170.0            | [ 24 / 0]      |
|                    | <i>Gene's Pond Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i>     |           |                     |            |              |                  |                    |                |
|                    | Gladwin State Game Area  | SGA       | Gladwin, Clare      | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 1,341.0            | [ 6 / 0]       |
|                    | Gladwin Wildlife Unit and Gladwin Field Dog Trial Area of the Gladwin area State Forest                                  | WMA       | Gladwin             | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 4,750.0            | [ 71 / 0]      |
|                    | Gold Mine Grouse Enhanced Management Site with Plum Creek (a private landowner cooperator)                               | GEMS      | Iron                | UP         | ->           | Private-owner    | 890.0              | [ 11 / 0]      |
|                    | Goose Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Kalkaska            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 60.5               | [ 7 / 0]       |
|                    | Goose Lake State Game Area   | SGA       | Washtenaw           | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 203.0              | [ 22 / 0]      |
|                    | Gordon Guyer - Augusta Creek State Wildlife Area   | SWA       | Kalamazoo           | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 391.0              | [ 1 / 0]       |
|                    | Gourdneck State Game Area  | SGA       | Kalamazoo           | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 2,293.0            | [ 192 / 0]     |
|                    | Grand Haven State Game Area  | SGA       | Ottawa              | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 2,208.0            | [ 860 / 0]     |
|                    | Grand River Gale Road State Game Area  | SGA       | Ingham              | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 143.0              | [ 26 / 0]      |
|                    | Grand River State Game Area  | SGA       | Ionia               | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 1,029.8            | [ 78 / 0]      |
|                    | Grass Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Benzie              | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,760.0            | [ 119 / 0]     |
|                    | Grass Lake Marsh Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Missaukee, Kalkaska | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 339.0              | [ 66 / 0]      |
|                    | Grass Lake State Game Area   | SGA       | Jackson             | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 124.0              | [ 1 / 0]       |
|                    | Gratiot-Saginaw State Game Area  | SGA       | Gratiot, Saginaw    | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 16,729.0           | [ 46 / 0]      |

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|                    | Greasy Creek Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Montmorency          | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,080.0            | [ 13 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Gregory State Game Area  | SGA       | Livingston           | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 2,705.5            | [ 55 / 0 ]     |
|                    | <i>Groveland Mine Flooding Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i>     |           |                      |            |              |                  |                    |                |
|                    | Halifax Grouse Enhanced Management Site  | GEMS      | Luce                 | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,694.0            | [ 1 / 0 ]      |
|                    | Hancock Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Dickinson            | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 650.0              | [ 45 / 0 ]     |
|                    | <i>Hardwood Reservoir (north-side) Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i> |           |                      |            |              |                  |                    |                |
|                    | Haymarsh Lake State Game Area  | SGA       | Mecosta              | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 6,787.5            | [ 301 / 0 ]    |
|                    | Hayward Lake to North Lake Floodings Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Menominee            | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 3,289.6            | [ 642 / 0 ]    |
|                    | Hazel Swamp Grouse Enhanced Management Site  | GEMS      | Houghton             | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,383.0            | [ 8 / 0 ]      |
|                    | Headquarters Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Grand Traverse       | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,139.0            | [ 202 / 0 ]    |
|                    | Hillcrest State Game Area  | SGA       | Livingston           | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 257.0              | [ 1 / 0 ]      |
|                    | Holly Wildlife Unit of Holly State Recreation Area   | PRD Unit  | Oakland              | SELP       | ->           | DNR-PRD          | 3,224.0            | [ 62 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Horseshoe Lake State Game Area   | SGA       | Oakland              | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 419.0              | [ 2 / 0 ]      |
|                    | Houghton Lake Flats North Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Roscommon            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 764.7              | [ 39 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Houghton Lake Flats South Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Roscommon            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 957.9              | [ 229 / 0 ]    |
|                    | Houghton Lake State Wildlife Research Area   | SWRA      | Roscommon, Missaukee | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 12,131.0           | [ 169 / 0 ]    |
|                    | Hubbard Lake State Game Area   | SGA       | Alcona               | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 522.2              | [ 95 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Kawkawlin Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Midland              | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,933.0            | [ 71 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Keeler State Game Area   | SGA       | Van Buren            | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 397.4              | [ 1 / 0 ]      |
|                    | Kinney Waterfowl Production Area   | WPA       | Van Buren            | SWLP       | ->           | FED/USFWS        | 78.3               | [ 2 / 0 ]      |
|                    | <i>Lake DuBonnet Flooding Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2018Dec.12) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i>      |           |                      |            |              |                  |                    |                |
|                    | Lake Interstate State Game Area  | SGA       | Eaton                | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 103.7              | [ 51 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Lake LaVasseur Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Marquette            | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 403.1              | [ 193 / 0 ]    |
|                    | <i>Lake-36 Flooding Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i>            |           |                      |            |              |                  |                    |                |
|                    | Lame Duck Area (a.k.a. Lame Duck Foot Access) Grouse Enhanced Management Site  | GEMS      | Gladwin              | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 11,331.0           | [ 28 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Langston State Game Area   | SGA       | Montcalm             | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 3,257.0            | [ 101 / 0 ]    |
|                    | Lapeer State Game Area   | SGA       | Lapeer               | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 8,599.0            | [ 349 / 0 ]    |
|                    | Lee Grande Ranch Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Cheboygan            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,400.4            | [ 21 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Leidy Lake State Game Area   | SGA       | St. Joseph           | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 109.0              | [ 11 / 0 ]     |
|                    | Little Betsie Grouse Enhanced Management Site  | GEMS      | Benzie               | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 4,167.0            | [ 47 / 0 ]     |

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|                    | Little Fox River Flooding / Stanley Lake Wildlife Management Area**                                       | WMA             | Schoolcraft                | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 2,550.0            | [ 63 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Little Widewaters Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA             | Lake                       | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 367.0              | [ 49 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Lost Nation State Game Area   | SGA             | Hillsdale                  | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 2,471.0            | [ 23 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Malan Waterfowl Production Area   | WPA             | Jackson                    | SELP       | ->           | FED/<br>USFWS        | 141.5              | [ 8 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Manistee River State Game Area  | SGA             | Manistee                   | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 4,379.0            | [ 303 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Maple River / Gratiot-Saginaw Connector State Game Area   | SGA             | Gratiot                    | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 311.0              | [ 1 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Maple River State Game Area   | SGA             | Clinton,<br>Gratiot, Ionia | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 9,948.0            | [ 463 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Mark Knee Memorial Grouse Enhanced Management Site  | GEMS            | Osceola                    | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 4,090.3            | [ 52 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Marsh Creek / Beaver Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA             | Roscommon                  | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 554.0              | [ 38 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Martiny Lake State Game Area  | SGA             | Mecosta                    | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 7,660.0            | [ 1051 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Melstrand Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS            | Alger                      | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 1,225.0            | [ 14 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Middleville State Game Area   | SGA             | Barry                      | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 4,583.4            | [ 5 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Minden City State Game Area   | SGA             | Sanilac                    | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 9,199.0            | [ 1 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Molasses River Flooding Number 1 Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA             | Gladwin                    | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 1,650.8            | [ 7 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Molasses River Flooding Number 2 Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA             | Gladwin                    | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 1,508.8            | [ 324 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Molasses River Flooding Number 3 Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA             | Gladwin                    | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 1,885.0            | [ 112 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | <i>Molasses River Flooding Number 4 State Wildlife Management Area** does not exist</i>                   |                 |                            |            |              |                      |                    |                    |  |
|                    | Molasses River Flooding Number 5 Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA             | Gladwin                    | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 1,460.0            | [ 8 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Mosinee Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS            | Gogebic                    | UP         | ->           | County<br>Cooperator | 1,136.0            | [ 18 / 0 ]         |  |
|                    | Mud Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA             | Cheboygan                  | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 18.0               | [ 7 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Munuscong Bay Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA             | Chippewa                   | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD              | 19,292.0           | [ 3714 /<br>2440 ] |  |
|                    | Murphy Lake State Game Area   | SGA             | Tuscola                    | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 2,715.0            | [ 113 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Muskegon County Wastewater Management System - a special wildlife (waterfowl) management area / hunt area | County<br>coop. | Muskegon                   | SWLP       | ->           | County<br>Cooperator | 8,411.0            | [ 1220 / 0 ]       |  |
|                    | Muskegon State Game Area  | SGA             | Muskegon,<br>Newaygo       | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 15,733.0           | [ 599 / 0 ]        |  |
|                    | Muskrat Lake State Game Area  | SGA             | Clinton                    | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 252.0              | [ 5 / 0 ]          |  |
|                    | Nayanquing Point State Wildlife Area  | SWA             | Bay                        | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD              | 4,308.0            | [ 869 /<br>545 ]   |  |

| TABLE 1 continued:   | official area name  | area type | counties               | WLD Region | Ded. To WLD? | land admin lead?       | size acres approx. | acres water/GL  |
|--|---|-----------|------------------------|------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Nestoria Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area ** retired (2020Mar.03) and now co-managed as part of all State Forests.</i> |   |           |                        |            |              |                        |                    |                 |
|  | Net River Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Baraga                 | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 520.0              | [ 160 / 0 ]     |
|  | Norwich Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Ontonagon              | UP         | ->           | FED /US Forest Service | 4,400.0            | [ 42 / 0 ]      |
|  | Oak Grove State Game Area   | SGA       | Livingston             | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 2,453.0            | [ 242 / 0 ]     |
|  | Old Fur Farm Flooding (Floodwood Swamp) Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Clare                  | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 2,062.7            | [ 281 / 0 ]     |
|  | Olive Township State Game Area  | SGA       | Ottawa                 | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 247.0              | [ 1 / 0 ]       |
|  | Oliver Township State Game Area   | SGA       | Huron                  | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 130.2              | [ 1 / 0 ]       |
|  | O'Neal Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Emmet                  | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 1,250.6            | [ 186 / 0 ]     |
|  | Onsted State Game Area  | SGA       | Lenawee                | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 876.0              | [ 141 / 0 ]     |
|  | Osceola-Missaukee Grasslands State Game Area  | SGA       | Osceola, Missaukee     | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 1,259.0            | [ 2 / 0 ]       |
|  | Pentwater River State Game Area   | SGA       | Oceana                 | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 2,558.8            | [ 26 / 0 ]      |
|  | Pere Marquette State Game Area  | SGA       | Mason                  | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 402.0              | [ 38 / 0 ]      |
|  | Petersburg State Game Area  | SGA       | Monroe                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 616.2              | [ 1 / 0 ]       |
|  | Peterson Pond Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Menominee              | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 30.0               | [ 4 / 0 ]       |
|  | Petobego State Game Area  | SGA       | Grand Traverse, Antrim | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 787.0              | [ 199 / 94 ]    |
|  | Pike Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Houghton               | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 115.0              | [ 26 / 0 ]      |
|  | Pinconning Township (Cody-Esty Road) State Game Area  | SGA       | Bay                    | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 51.0               | [ 10 / 0 ]      |
|  | Pointe Aux Peaux State Wildlife Area  | SWA       | Monroe                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 224.6              | [ 75 / 34 ]     |
|  | Pointe Mouillee State Game Area   | SGA       | Monroe, Wayne          | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 7,483.0            | [ 2500 / 1814 ] |
|  | Port Huron State Game Area  | SGA       | St.Clair               | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 6,857.1            | [ 8 / 0 ]       |
|  | Portage Marsh Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Delta                  | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 846.0              | [ 182 / 172 ]   |
|  | Portland State Game Area  | SGA       | Clinton, Ionia         | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 2,621.5            | [ 309 / 0 ]     |
|  | Potagannissing Flooding Wildlife Management Area**  | WMA       | Chippewa               | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 2,220.0            | [ 325 / 0 ]     |
|  | Potterville State Game Area<br>(note that Potterville SGA is in final preparations, boundary being signed, and expected open maybe in Spring 2021.) | SGA       | Eaton                  | SGA        | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 444.1              | [ 10 / 0 ]      |
|  | Presque Isle River Flooding Wildlife Management Area**<br>(Note that this area is being transferred and will later not be a WLD named focus area)   | WMA       | Gogebic                | WMA        | ->           | DNR-FRD+               | 875.0              | [ 197 / 0 ]     |
|  | Quanicassee State Wildlife Area   | SWA       | Bay, Tuscola           | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD                | 4,331.7            | [ 1760 / 1303 ] |
|  | Rainy River Flooding Wildlife Management Area**   | WMA       | Montmorency            | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 1,938.9            | [ 149 / 0 ]     |
|  | Ralph Grouse Enhanced Management Site   | GEMS      | Dickinson              | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD                | 5,350.0            | [ 60 / 0 ]      |

| TABLE 1 continued: | official area name   | area type | counties                  | WLD Region | Ded. To WLD? | land admin lead? | size acres approx. | acres water/GL    |
|--------------------|--|-----------|---------------------------|------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                    | Robinson Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**           | WMA       | Roscommon                 | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,572.0            | [ 95 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Rogue River State Game Area                                  | SGA       | Kent                      | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 6,200.4            | [ 18 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Rose Lake State Wildlife Area                                | SWA       | Clinton, Shiawassee       | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 4,088.5            | [ 179 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Rush Lake State Game Area                                    | SGA       | Huron                     | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 2,256.3            | [ 92 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Russell Lake / Lake St. Helen Wildlife Management Area**     | WMA       | Roscommon                 | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 950.0              | [ 202 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Sage Lakes Flooding Wildlife Management Area**               | WMA       | Montmorency               | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 247.7              | [ 76 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Salt River Marsh State Wildlife Area                         | SWA       | Macomb                    | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 60.0               | [ 2 / 0 ]         |
|                    | Sand River / Jeske Flooding Wildlife Management Area**       | WMA       | Marquette                 | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 556.9              | [ 107 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Sandusky State Game Area                                     | SGA       | Sanilac                   | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 1,480.0            | [ 73 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Sanilac State Game Area                                      | SGA       | Sanilac                   | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 1,578.0            | [ 18 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Saranac-Lowell State Game Area                               | SGA       | Kent, Ionia               | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 2,334.0            | [ 43 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Schlee Waterfowl Production Area                             | WPA       | Jackson                   | SELP       | ->           | FED/ USFWS       | 160.0              | [ 4 / 0 ]         |
|                    | Schoonover Waterfowl Production Area                         | WPA       | Lenawee                   | SELP       | ->           | FED/ USFWS       | 95.0               | [ 1 / 0 ]         |
|                    | Sharonville State Game Area                                  | SGA       | Jackson, Washtenaw        | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 5,231.0            | [ 17 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Shiawassee River State Game Area                             | SGA       | Saginaw                   | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 10,154.0           | [ 626 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Skegemog Lake Wildlife Management Area**                     | WMA       | Kalkaska , Antrim         | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 3,613.8            | [ 654 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Somerset State Game Area                                     | SGA       | Hillsdale                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 748.0              | [ 109 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Sportsman's Lake (or Pond) Wildlife Management Area**        | WMA       | Montmorency               | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 362.2              | [ 7 / 0 ]         |
|                    | Spring Creek State Game Area                                 | SGA       | St. Joseph                | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 81.5               | [ 3 / 0 ]         |
|                    | St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area                          | SWA       | St. Clair                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 30,158.0           | [ 12055 / 11296 ] |
|                    | St. Clair Township State Game Area                           | SGA       | St. Clair                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 112.0              | [ 14 / 0 ]        |
|                    | St. John's Marsh State Wildlife Area                         | SWA       | St. Clair                 | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 3,060.0            | [ 105 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Stanton State Game Area                                      | SGA       | Montcalm                  | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 4,920.0            | [ 131 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Stoney Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**             | WMA       | Cheboygan                 | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,150.0            | [ 48 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Strickler Grouse Enhanced Management Site                    | GEMS      | Mackinac                  | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,180.0            | [ 27 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Sturgeon River Sloughs Wildlife Management Area**            | WMA       | Houghton , Baraga         | UP         | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 8,964.0            | [ 1011 / 48 ]     |
|                    | Tamarack Lake (Sunfield Township) State Game Area            | SGA       | Eaton                     | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 265.9              | [ 52 / 0 ]        |
|                    | Three Rivers State Game Area                                 | SGA       | Cass, St. Joseph          | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 2,125.0            | [ 8 / 0 ]         |
|                    | Tobico Marsh Wildlife Unit of Bay City State Recreation Area | PRD Unit  | Bay                       | SELP       | ->           | DNR-PRD          | 2,088.0            | [ 318 / 0 ]       |
|                    | Tomahawk Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**           | WMA       | Presque Isle, Montmorency | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,143.7            | [ 277 / 0 ]       |



| TABLE 1 continued: | official area name                                       | area type | counties                  | WLD Region | Ded. To WLD? | land admin lead? | size acres approx. | acres water/GL |
|--------------------|--|-----------|---------------------------|------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|
|                    | Tomahawk Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**       | WMA       | Presque Isle, Montmorency | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 1,143.7            | [ 277 / 0]     |
|                    | Townline Creek Flooding Wildlife Management Area**       | WMA       | Clare                     | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 662.0              | [ 118 / 0]     |
|                    | Tuscola State Game Area                                  | SGA       | Tuscola                   | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 9,259.0            | [ 2 / 0]       |
|                    | Unadilla State Wildlife Area                             | SWA       | Livingston, Washtenaw     | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 1,188.0            | [ 99 / 0]      |
|                    | Vassar State Game Area                                   | SGA       | Tuscola                   | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 3,436.0            | [ 53 / 0]      |
|                    | Verona State Game Area                                   | SGA       | Huron                     | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 7,695.0            | [ / 0]         |
|                    | Vestaburg State Game Area                                | SGA       | Montcalm                  | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 2,995.3            | [ 325 / 0]     |
|                    | Waterloo Wildlife Unit of Waterloo State Recreation Area | PRD Unit  | Jackson, Washtenaw        | SELP       | ->           | DNR-PRD          | 5,781.0            | [ 33 / 0]      |
|                    | Webster Lake (Berrien Township Number 1) State Game Area | SGA       | Berrien                   | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 43.2               | [ 4 / 0]       |
|                    | Wigwam Bay State Wildlife Area                           | SWA       | Arenac                    | NLP        | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 6,743.0            | [ 2023 / 1988] |
|                    | Wildfowl Bay State Wildlife Area                         | SWA       | Huron                     | SELP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 13,190.0           | [ 5400 / 5391] |
|                    | Windsor Township State Game Area                         | SGA       | Eaton                     | SWLP       | yes          | DNR-WLD          | 356.0              | [ 39 / 0]      |
|                    | Wraco Lodge Lake Flooding Wildlife Management Area**     | WMA       | Roscommon                 | NLP        | ->           | DNR-FRD          | 2,016.0            | [ 99 / 0]      |

Other notes regarding Table 1 are at the end of this document after Table 2 (below).

*(end-of-listing Table 1)*

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE on changes from last recent tables Table 1 (above) and Table 2 (below):**

Some long-term users of these two tables will notice that there were larger changes (decreases) in 2020 in both number of areas and totals in Table 1 (above) and 2 (below). Therefore, a comment is added in this document in order to maintain confidence in data and that there is no major error causing the differences. These differences from recent previous statistics to now were due to (a.) addition of a new SGA (Potterville) and some acquisitions/land-swaps adding to dedicated/named areas; and (b.) a review of purposes of some wildlife management areas, in the UP and NLP, and if reasons for maintaining them as a unique named focus area or to manage the areas as part of the State Land system already being done, which resulted in retiring named focus areas (total of 11, or 9 in UP and 2 in NLP). These changes resulted in overall updated in WLD focus areas or comanaged/cooperator lands, decreasing to a total of 92.

**TABLE 2: State Wildlife and Game Areas or DNR Wildlife-Lands summary:**

| Summary by SW/GA (or DNR-WLD-lands) type, category or grouping   | area type           | count of grand total (all)                              | count of sub-groups A and B | count of sub-sub groupings under A and B | acres total approx. | acres of water in area***<br>(see notes above & below) |
|--|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|--|---------------------|--|
| <b>ALL (A + B below) State wildlife/game areas or DNR-WLD-lands named focus</b>  | (varies; see below) | <b>204</b>  |                             | <b>***</b>                               | <b>671,232.1</b>    | [ 77,142 / 44,431 ]                                    |
| <b>(A.) Those areas Dedicated to DNR Wildlife Division (WLD) as lead administration and</b>  |                     | (SGA,SWA & SWRA)  | <b>112</b>                  |  | 452,829.6           | [ 59,872 / 41,773 ]                                    |
| State Game Area  |                     | SGA   |                             | <b>95</b>                                | 318,001.8           | [ 17,671 / 2,843 ]                                     |
| State Wildlife Area  |                     | SWA   |                             | <b>14</b>                                | 77,719.8            | [ 26,479 / 23,963 ]                                    |
| State Wildlife Research Area   |                     | SWRA  |                             | <b>3</b>                                 | 57,108.0            | [ 15,722 / 14,965 ]                                    |
| <b>(B.) Those areas dedicated to another DNR Division, another agency, or entity who are a cooperator with WLD on named area:</b>                                    |                     | (types vary; see below)                                 | <b>92</b>                   | <b>***</b>                               | 218,402.5           | [ 16,600 / 2,661 ]                                     |
| <b>Co-managed areas with DNR-Forestry-Division (FRD), &amp; are specific named focus areas within in State Forests:</b>  |                     | typically WMA   |                             | <b>62</b>                                | 129,064.9           | [ 14,803 / 2,660 ]                                     |
| <i>Note: WLD consults &amp; co-manages every acre of State Land (FRD) ; statistics in this table are for specific/unique focus areas.</i>                            |                     |   |                             |  |                     |  |
| <b>Co-managed areas with DNR-Parks-and-Recreation-Division (PRD), &amp; are Wildlife Units of specifically named State Park (SP) or State Recreation Area (SRA):</b> |                     | typically a named "... Wildlife Unit of a named SP/SRA" |                             | <b>4</b>                                 | 11,923.0            | [ 657 / 0 ]  |
| <i>Note: WLD consults &amp; co-manages every acre of State Land (PRD) ; statistics in this table are for specific/unique focus areas.</i>                            |                     |   |                             |  |                     |  |
| <b>Grouse Enhanced Management Site (GEMS) areas</b><br>(functionally these are named focus-areas, and like WMAs) :   |                     | (all GEMS)  |                             | <b>20</b>                                | 71,978.7            | [ 566 / 0 ]  |
| GEMS on State Game Area / State land of DNR WLD  |                     | GEMS  |                             | <b>1 ***</b>                             | (4379)              | [ 655 / 0 ]  |
| GEMS on State land with DNR Forestry Div. as cooperator  |                     | GEMS  |                             | <b>15</b>                                | 55,780.7            | [ 361 / 0 ]  |
| GEMS on Federal Land with US Forest Service cooperator   |                     | GEMS  |                             | <b>2</b>                                 | 14,172.0            | [ 176 / 0 ]  |
| GEMS on County land with a County as cooperator  |                     | GEMS  |                             | <b>1</b>                                 | 1,136.0             | [ 18 / 0 ]   |
| GEMS on privately-owned land with a pvt-landowner cooperator   |                     | GEMS  |                             | <b>1</b>                                 | 890.0               | [ 11 / 0 ]   |
| Cooperatively managed areas with Federal USFWS, are <b>Waterfowl Production Areas (WPA)</b>  |                     | WPA   |                             | <b>5</b>                                 | 632.0               | [ 22 / 0 ]   |
| <b>Cooperative area with a County agency for managed waterfowl hunts</b>   |                     | County cooperator                                       |                             | <b>1</b>                                 | 8,411.0             | [ w: 1,220 (GL: 0) ]                                   |

\*\*\* Note: the Backus Creek GEMS land area is not added to the totals because it would be double-counting land area. If need a total of subject acres, then add Backus Creek SGA again to the GEMS totals and sum up from there (so Backus Creek SGA acreage would be also added to total (B.) and then (ALL) total.

Other notes regarding Table 2 are at the end of this document (below).

(end-of-listing Table 2)

## Notes to Help Readers:

### If you have questions or need more help than provided in this document:

contact a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) office such as

(a.) the DNR Wildlife Division's Lansing Office at 517-284-WILD (9453), send an email to [DNR-Wildlife@michigan.gov](mailto:DNR-Wildlife@michigan.gov) ;

(b.) See and contact one of the List of DNR Wildlife Division offices online off DNR website (below);

(c.) Contact one of the regional DNR Customer Service Centers found in your phone book under State Offices or found off the the DNR online Contact the DNR page off the DNR online webpages at <http://www.michigan.gov/dnr> .

When contacting any DNR Wildlife Division staff on this document or contained information, please mention this document by name - or better yet use the document citation information provided at the end.

Please also be aware that online wildlife/game area information is under a major flux during changes and improvements for new technologies and access methods, as staff are improving content and more.

**Additional details on each area named above**, like the local contact office, area maps, and more, are provided online at ... [\[here\]](#).

**Have you tried Mi-HUNT?** the Michigan DNR's interactive online huntable lands map tool (now for mobile devices and smart-phones) at <http://www.michigan.gov/mihunt> .

### Notes explaining "area types":

(A.) **"Dedicated types"** to the DNR Wildlife Division (administration) directly, where "Dedication" is a formal process which approves administering Division, intended purpose for an area, and other details. The list of these areas is not expected to change much or often, as the dedication process is involved and sets-up long term interests for conservation and management of wildlife. These specific types include: State Wildlife Areas (SWA); State Game Areas (SGA); and State Wildlife Research Areas (SWRA). *Note:* the State Fish and Wildlife Area (SFWA) type no longer exists as the one remaining area was rededicated in memorial with name change, and rededicated to a State Wildlife Area.

In **Table 1**, these Dedicated areas are shaded line entries (row back-shaded light green) as those formally Dedicated to WLD by official State process with DNR Director and NRC.

(B.) **"dedicated -to-other types"** are areas which are WLD focus areas or WLD project areas now or in the past the DNR Wildlife Division has an interest, where WLD is involved with management/ co-management, funding some portion of the area now or in the past, etc. but WLD is not lead on administration. For each area named, officially the land administration is by another DNR Division, another agency like US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), US Forest Service (USFS), County government, or entity as indicated below. Many of these areas exist because of a particular focus for wildlife management, including deer, waterfowl, grouse and more, or a special project funded by Federal Aid, or were created by a specific cooperative agreement. As a group, conceptually these areas are all "State Wildlife Management Areas", but may have other official terms for the area type, as indicated below. For example, Grouse Enhanced Management System (GEMS) areas are GEMS but functionally are SWMAs, as are all those listed in Table 1, part B, below.

**For more information on area types**, like why different types and more, see document online... [\[here\]](#).

### Specific notes on Table 1 -and- Table 2:

**Due to repeated requests and encountered conversion problems, we also provide this document as a Microsoft Excel file**, online and can be reached using link ... [\[here\]](#).

\*\*\* **For both Table 1 and Table 2**, there is a newly-added requested column on the far right-side, called "acres of approx. water in this area\*\*\*" and which lists where appropriate the acres of an area which are water and which are Great Lakes water (implying the area is on Great Lakes shoreline). Values are listed in the format of "[#/#]" or "[A/B]" where number is A total approximated acres of water in the area, and number B is the

(...notes on tables, continued ...)

portion (in acres) of water related to one of the Great Lakes (GL) portion = [(acres water)/ (Great Lakes water only)]. This field which was added a couple years ago, is an attempt to represent that portion of total estimated area acreage which is composed of potential inland water and what is the portion of connected water from one of the the Great Lakes. The water portion were identified using the 2011 USGS NALC landuse/landcover data set intersected with the WLD-lands polygons. The portions identified as water are also known to include significant amounts of submerged and emergent marsh, mudflats and sand/sandbars or are valuable wildlife habitat and conservation areas relevant to WLD, beyond just a polygon boundary acreage total of each area.

### Specific notes on Table 1:

**\*\* In Table 1:** Area names marked with a double-asterisk, are areas (typically comanaged or cooprator areas like SWMAs, etc.) where WLD spent funds or helped setup the area (like a flooding), but the area may not now have active management activities because the original habitat project is working; this may be the case for self-managed floodings, seasonal floodings, or for floodings which have low water levels due to changes in local conditions. Do NOT assume because an area has "flooding" in the name, that it has open water at all times or is always suitable for waterfowl; it may have established marsh and wetlands areas but may not be as wet throughout the year, yet it is functioning on the landscape and still a WLD interest area.

Be aware that some areas previously named or referred to as a "flooding" have (a.) been experiencing low water levels either seasonally or permanently; (b.) may not have actual open water now but have well developed wetland areas; or (c.) the "flooding" portion of the name may only be related to a historical name based on the start of the WLD-project or because of seasonal flooding, and is not a flooding year-round.

\*\*\* For the right-most field "acres of approx. water in this area\*\*\*", see notes above / preceding.

**Note: regarding area acres:** Every reasonable effort has been made to be systematic and accurate. These are *approximated*, rounded, and may be from GIS but should be very close to official DNR real-estate records (LOTS database), plat information, deeds, certified surveys and more, based on official surveys if can (if available), etc. Every effort and due-dillence is made if can to be as reasonable accurate as can be with current technology and records. Some areas include portions related to State owned bottomlands, some officially deeded but others non-deeded (but State authority is in State Constitution and Michigan Compiled Laws) yet are included because that portion of area is very important to our stewardship activities and public trust roles. Ownership details are complex and every effort is made to provide a fair, logical and consistent representation for these important Dedicated areas and focus-areas. As DNR staff continue to improve our acces to detailed information (like certified surveys and more) there are chances that the small areas of specific individual SW/GAs may change as they are updated to improved data.

### Specific notes on Table 2:

Table 2 notes for readers are covered above and also below.

\*\*\* For the right-most field "acres of approx. water in this area\*\*\*", see notes above / preceding.

Above notes regarding acreage also apply.

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