Private Lands Open to Public Hunting

For additional hunting opportunities on private land, beyond what is discussed below, see information on the Hunter Access Program (HAP) or the Commercial Forest (CF) Lands program. Both of these programs are discussed in more detail at the Michigan DNR on the internet at "http://www.michigan.gov/dnr".

For other relevant information, including specific rules & regulations, license information, bag limits, hunting dates, and more, see the Michigan DNR on the internet at "http://www.michigan.gov/dnr".

SELECT PRIVATELY OWNED LANDS

Various privately owned lands have had their hunting rights purchased, gifted or reserved by the State of Michigan. Registration is not required, but all applicable laws still apply. The public has the right to use these parcels for hunting and possibly trapping, as specified below in each description, during the lawful seasons.

Privately owned land parcels in this select category currently occur only in Barry and Crawford counties – detailed parcel descriptions are provided below. Charlevoix County did have some opportunities, but the ownership details have changed so ONLY Barry and Crawford counties now have listed parcels below.

For other opportunities of hunting and/or trapping on private lands, we recommend those interested inquire about the Hunting Access Program (HAP) or the Commercial Forest Access Program. The latest HAP details are found in the annual HAP guide (2007-2008 Hunter Access Program guide, commonly available where you buy hunting/trapping licenses). Also see the DNR website and look for greater details on HAP, CFA, and other programs (off the DNR website at “http://www.michigan.gov/dnr” then select left-side option of “Hunting” then select the left-side option of “Where can I Hunt?”).

LAND DESCRIPTIONS

BARRY COUNTY PARCEL – The DNR has the right to use and control the surface of this parcel for purposes of public hunting during lawful seasons, including the right to post said lands as open to public hunting and it’s associated uses, including trapping, subject to all applicable laws of the State of Michigan:

*Portion of section 2 in T02N, R10W, in Orangeville Township:*

T02N, R10W, Section 2, W ½ of the SW ¼ of the section.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY PARCELS – The State of Michigan no longer has any reserved public rights, privilege and easement to hunt or trap on any additional parcels in Charlevoix County. NO PARCELS IN CHARLEVOIX COUNTY now fall under the access situations like the other areas listed in this document. This comment exists to address questions about past Charlevoix county listings in Hudson Township, which now are not applicable.
CRAWFORD COUNTY PARCELS – The State of Michigan has received the public right, privilege and easement to hunt and trap on the following parcels during lawful seasons, subject to all applicable laws of the State of Michigan:

Portions of sections 5 and 6 in T25N, R01W, in South Branch Township:
- T25N, R01W, Section 5, W ½ of the section.
- T25N, R01W, Section 6, SE ¼ of the NE ¼ of the section.
- T25N, R01W, Section 6, E ½ of the SE ¼ of the section.

Portions of sections 29, 32, 33 and 34 in T26N, R01W, in South Branch Township:
- T26N, R01W, Section 29, that fractional part of the S ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 29, T26N, R01W, lying and being south of a line commencing at the SW corner of said section, and running thence north 76 degrees and 45 minutes east to the north and south quarter line of said section.
- T26N, R01W, Section 32, E ½ of the SE ¼ of the section.
- T26N, R01W, Section 32, NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of the section.
- T26N, R01W, Section 33, W ½ of the W ½ of the section.
- T26N, R01W, Section 33, NE ¼ of the SW ¼ of the section.
- T26N, R01W, Section 33, SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of the section.

Portions of section 34 in T26N, R02W, in Grayling Township:
- T26N, R02W, Section 34, S ½ of the NW ¼ of the section.

NOTE:
It is your responsibility, as a user of public lands, to ensure you are informed of all current rules and regulations relevant to your activities. The information presented here represents some details relevant to public land use, but this is not a complete list of all rules and regulations, and may not be as immediately updated as current legislation and rules. This product is not a legal notice, nor a complete collection of hunting regulations and laws. It is a condensed tool issued for convenience on this specific subject. Contact your local Department of Natural Resources (DNR) office if you have questions, or to verify regulations relating to possible activities before engaging in those activities. The DNR is on the internet at “http://www.michigan.gov/dnr”.

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For information or assistance on this publication, or for information about other State land areas, contact: MDNR, Wildlife Division, P.O. Box 30444, Lansing, MI 48909-7944, or through the internet at “http://www.michigan.gov/dnr”. TTY / TTD (teletype): 711 (Michigan Relay Center). This publication is available in alternative formats upon request.