



The **MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND**

was established under the Kammer Recreational Land Trust Fund Act of 1976 to provide a permanent funding source for the ***public acquisition of land for resource protection and public outdoor recreation.***

Funding was provided by revenue derived from royalties on the sale and lease of state-owned oil, gas and mineral rights.

This landmark piece of legislation came to fruition thanks to the collaborative efforts of the **Michigan Oil and Gas Association**, Michigan United Conservation Clubs and state legislators on behalf of all Michigan citizens.

The MNRTF has contributed immeasurably to ***protecting our state's natural beauty*** and helped paved the way for ***wise and prudent development of our state's abundant energy resources.***

To date, the MNRTF has ***awarded over \$1 billion*** in grants to local units of government and state agencies for projects throughout all 83 counties.

Of this total, \$196 million have been invested in trails. In excess of 1,000 public parks have been acquired and/or developed. Other projects funded include ball fields, tennis courts, trailheads, restrooms and other amenities, for a total of just under ***2,200 MNRTF-assisted projects since 1976.***

BERRIEN COUNTY

Berrien County has received more than **\$15,424,163** in 38 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grants (MNRTF) and has four currently recommended and pending legislative approval.

Berrien County active or completed MNRTF Projects

BARODA TOWNSHIP

- Hess Lake Park Improvements: \$256,000

BENTON HARBOR

- Union Field Park Improvements: \$300,000
- Jean Klock Park: \$375,000

BERRIEN COUNTY

- Galien River Cty Park: \$832,500
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- Silver Beach County Park: \$300,000
- Love Creek County Park: \$114,500
- Rocky Gap Improvements: \$300,000
- Manion Property: \$200,000
- Silver Beach County Park: \$1,500,000
- • Silver Beach Cty Park: \$1,925,000
- • Silver Beach Cty Park: \$375,000

BERRIEN SPRINGS

- Shamrock Park: \$43,350

BUCHANAN

- McCoy's Creek Trail: \$288,000

CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP

- Chikaming Township Park and Preserve Acquisition: \$1,499,788
- Township Park and Preserve Development: \$193,200

DNR - PARKS & RECREATION DIV.

- Grand Mere Dunes: \$1,000,000
- Grand Mere Dunes: \$225,000
- Bridgman Dunes: \$2,250,000

DNR - WILDLIFE DIVISION

- Boyle Lake Property: \$500,000

LINCOLN TOWNSHIP

- Lincoln Twp. Beach/Nature: \$81,000

NEW BUFFALO

- Transient Boat Mooring: \$266,300

NEW BUFFALO TOWNSHIP

- Kruger Road Park: \$150,000
- Memorial Park Addition-2: \$14,700

NILES

- Plym Park Trail: \$170,500
- Riverfront Park Property: \$90,000
- Riverfront Park Dock, Pier: \$103,125

NILES TOWNSHIP

- Niles Community Park Expansion: \$90,000
- Indiana-Mich. River Valley: \$286,000

SAINT JOSEPH

- Lions Park Beach: \$247,100
- Lookout Park Expansion: \$145,000

SAINT JOSEPH TOWNSHIP

- Maiden Lane Park: \$70,000
- • MDOT Property Dev.: \$102,000

VIL. OF BERRIEN SPRINGS

- Shamrock Park C'ground: \$306,800

WATERVLIET

- Hays Park Improvements: \$70,000
- Hays Park Project: \$42,300
- Mill Creek Park Dev.: \$114,000

WEESAW TOWNSHIP

- Weesaw Twp Park Acq.: \$98,000

Recommended Projects (pending approval)

BERRIEN COUNTY

- • Watervliet Cty Park-Trail Head for Paw Paw River Water Trail: \$296,000

NILES

- • Niles City Trailhead: \$220,000

NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP

- Niles Township IN-MI River Valley Trail: \$300,000

VILLAGE OF EAU CLAIRE

- Village of Eau Claire Non-mot.: \$214,400