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**.
Bay County has received more than $5,081,226 in 26 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grants (MNRTF) and has one currently recommended and pending legislative approval.

**Bay County active or completed MNRTF Projects**

**BAY CITY**
- Wenonah Park Renovation: $500,000
- Birney Park Renovations: $325,000
- Saginaw River Pier: $400,000
- Wenonah Park Riverfront: $375,000
- Riverwalk Land Acquisition: $55,000
- Railtrail-27th St. Land: $60,000
- 27th Street Railtrail: $178,000

**BAY COUNTY**
- Bay County Wetlands: $88,226
- Bay County Trail: $22,000
- Pinconning Park: $325,000
- Pinconning Park: $60,000
- Keit Linear Park: $375,000

**DNR - FISHERIES DIVISION**
- Saginaw Bay Shore: $150,000

**DNR - PARKS & REC DIVISION**
- Saginaw River Access: $500,000
- Mackinac Island Land: $250,000

**DNR - WILDLIFE DIVISION**
- Quanicassee SGA: $135,000

**ESSEXVILLE**
- Smith Park Improvements: $69,000

**FRANKENLUST TOWNSHIP**
- Great Lakes Bay Region Trail Bridge Renovations: $300,000
- Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail Development: $280,000

**FRASER TOWNSHIP**
- Linwood Road Scenic Point: $53,000

**HAMPTON CHARTER TWP.**
- Finn Road Park Improvements: $182,300

**HAMPTON TOWNSHIP**
- Expansion of Finn Road Park: $130,800

**PINCONNING**
- Pinconning Riverwalk Land Acquisition: $18,000

**PORTSMOUTH TOWNSHIP**
- Township Railtrail: $102,300

**WILLIAMS CHARTER TWP.**
- Williams Township Park Acquisition: $140,600

**WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP**
- Williams Twp. Park: $7,000