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*. 
Crawford County has received more than $5,681,796 in 13 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grants (MNRTF) and has one currently recommended and pending legislative approval.

Crawford County active or completed MNRTF Projects

CRAWFORD COUNTY
• Grayling Fish Interpretive Center: $327,796

DNR FOREST RESOURCES DIVISION
• Upper AuSable River Property: $3,100,000

DNR - FOREST, MINERAL & FIRE MANAGEMENT
• Upper Manistee River Property: $1,600,000
• George Mason River Retreat: $200,000
• George Mason River Retreat: $55,000
• George Mason River Retreat-Wessels Tract: $100,000
• George Mason River Retreat: $100,000
• Williams Tract Acquisition: $520,000
• AuSable River-MacArthur Property: $900,000

DNR - OFFICE OF LAND & FACILITIES
• Ralph A. MacMullan Conference Center Improvements: $500,000
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DNR - PARKS & RECREATION DIVISION
• RAM Center II - Lodge Accessibility & Modernization: $300,000

GRAYLING
• Grayling River Park Development: $349,000

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP
• Nature Park by the Fish Hatchery: $230,000
• Recommended Projects (pending approval)

DNR FOREST RESOURCES DIVISION
• Upper AuSable River Property: $3,100,000