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.
Iosco County has received more than $4,579,800 in 19 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grants (MNRTF) and has two currently recommended and pending legislative approval.

**Iosco County active or completed MNRTF Projects**

**DNR PARKS & RECREATION DIVISION**
- Boating Expansion.-AuSable River: $127,000
- Holiday Inn Property Acquisition: $96,500
- East Tawas City Park - Genii’s /Verlac Acquisition: $406,300
- Evans Parcel: $50,000
- East Tawas Waterfront: $24,900
- Newman Street Waterfront Project: $302,600

**IOSCO COUNTY**
- Aloe Property Acquisition: $148,000
- Iosco Exploration Trail, Phase 1: $296,000

**OSCODA CHARTER TOWNSHIP**
- Oscoda Beach Park Expansion: $416,200

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- Oscoda Beach Park Boardwalk Development: $44,800
- Oscoda Beach Park Observation and Fishing Pier: $460,000
- Riverbank Park: $300,000
- Oscoda Beach Park Expansion: $29,300
- Oscoda Huron Sunrise Park: $750,000

**PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP**
- Plainfield Township Nature Park Improvements: $332,000
- Plainfield Nature Park Expansion: $428,400

**TAWAS CITY**
- Gateway Park Renovation: $134,000
- Tawas City Park Expansion: $65,000
- Shoreline Park Expansion: $168,800
- Recommended Projects (pending approval)

**EAST TAWAS**
- East Tawas City Park Public Bathhouse Development Project: $292,500

**PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP**
- Loon Lake Park Improvements: $140,000