



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.***

CASS COUNTY

Cass County has received more than **\$2,816,947** in 13 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grants (MNRTF).

CASS COUNTY

- *Dodd Park Water Trail Development Project: \$277,500*
- *Dr. T. K. Lawless Park: \$81,400*
- *Dr. T. K. Lawless Park East 80: \$96,000*
- *Dr. T.K. Lawless Park North: \$151,700*

DNR - FISHERIES DIVISION

- *Dowagiac Creek Access & Corridor Acquisition: \$749,900*

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- *Youth Sports Park Acquisition: \$100,000*
- *Silver Creek Russom Park Development: \$300,000*
- *Rudolphi Woods: \$115,100*
- *Northwest Park: \$64,500*
- *Heddon Park: \$42,647*

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

- *Newton Woods: \$440,000*

SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

- *Silver Creek Area Youth Sports Park: \$100,000*
- *Silver Creek Russom Park Development.: \$298,200*