

S T A T E O F M I C H I G A N

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

DNR STATE GAME USAGE

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners (Board) requested a dialogue with State DNR to expand usage of the game area with a minimum of authorizing biking; and

WHEREAS, the Board has since added a goal to increase DNR State Game usage to its Strategy Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County has met with the State DNR, Representative Smit, Midwest Strategy Group, and other stakeholders to discuss the potential use of the state game area for biking and subsequently meeting with DNR officials on a decision to close a snowmobile trail; and

WHEREAS, DNR has generically referenced that such activity is restricted and not permitted under land use, species protection, and funding agreements.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board is formally requesting any and all documents, specifically sections of such documents that outline restrictions under land use and funding agreements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to the extent the State DNR requires a request under Michigan's Freedom of Information Act, this Board action shall serve as the written official request; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Administrator is authorized to work with the necessary stakeholders and services within reason to gather said information and to have such information evaluated.