Development Projects Recommended for Funding:

City of Lansing (Ingham County) is recommended to receive $500,000 to develop Crego Park. The development will include utilities, entrance drive, parking lot, paved and boardwalk trails, fishing dock and accessible kayak launch and site amenities.

City of Muskegon Heights (Muskegon County) is recommended to receive $500,000 for renovations at Mona Lake Park. The funds will support development to include picnic shelters, benches, trash receptacles, fencing, demolition of restrooms, concession upgrades, plaza, irrigation, landscaping, utilities, soccer and baseball fields.

Ypsilanti Township (Washtenaw County) is recommended to receive $500,000 for improvements to Lakeside Park. The development includes boat and fishing docks, scenic overlooks, non-motorized pathways, outdoor classroom and picnic shelter, site furnishings, community boathouse, parking and bioswales.

Calhoun County is recommended to receive $500,000 to develop a Calhoun County Trailway. The proposal includes a bituminous, non-motorized trailway through three county parks and along the Kalamazoo River corridor, from the City of Battle Creek to Historic Bridge Park.

City of Detroit (Wayne County) is recommended to receive $500,000 to develop the Balduck Park In-Town Youth Camp and Family Picnic Area. This will include restrooms, picnic shelter, play area, nature trail, walking path, camp activity areas, pathways and interpretive signs.

Wayne County is recommended to receive $500,000 to develop the Refuge Gateway Boat Dock/Fishing Pier for the Great Lakes Schoolship and associated recreational features.

Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (Washtenaw County) is recommended to receive $500,000 for development of the Hudson Mills Hike/Bike Trail – 2.9 miles of hike/bike trail from Hudson Mills Metropark to the Village of Dexter.

Putnam Township (Livingston County) is recommended to receive $500,000 to develop the Lakelands Trail, a 6.2 mile trail for use by pedestrians and equestrians.

West Bloomfield Township (Oakland County) is recommended to receive $500,000 to develop a 2.5-mile, 10-foot wide aggregate path; road crossings; benches; interpretive signs; native seeding along the West Bloomfield Trail, which is part of the Michigan Airline Trail system.
**Berrien County** is recommended to receive **$500,000** for development of the Galien River County Park, which includes park signs, entrance drive and parking area, universally accessible hiking trails, marsh boardwalks, canoe landing/fishing pier and an elevated walkway and tower.

**City of Detroit (Wayne County)** is recommended to receive **$500,000** for improvements to Patton Park, including construction of two softball diamonds, lighting, comfort station, picnic shelter, parking lot improvements, connecting pathways, and an asphalt trail linking the Greenway to the sidewalks.

**Watersmeet Township (Gogebic County)** is recommended to receive **$500,000** for improvements to the North Agonikak National Recreation Trail, including development of 5.5 miles of the north section of the trail connecting Watersmeet, Watersmeet School and the Huron National Forest Visitors Center to the existing trail.

**City of Iron Mountain (Dickinson County)** is recommended to receive **$500,000** for improvements to City Park, including improved pathways and road, a deer enclosure and youth activity areas.

**Iron County** is recommended to receive **$500,000** to develop the Iron County Heritage Trail, a 7.85-mile bicycle and pedestrian trail connecting the existing Apple Blossom Trail in Iron River to Pentoga Park and eventually linking to Crystal Falls.

**Village of Northport (Leelanau County)** is recommended to receive **$500,000** for a waterfront improvement project that includes new public restrooms, a parking lot, 15-foot wide promenade along the marina walkway and access walkways throughout the open space area.

**City of Luna Pier (Monroe County)** is recommended to receive **$490,000** to improve access to Lake Erie, including a new beachhouse/restroom, beach access sites, a kayak launch and amenities.

**Algoma Township (Kent County)** is recommended to receive **$500,000** to develop an Olympic-style archery and air gun shooting facility with indoor and outdoor ranges.

**Presque Isle County** is recommended to receive **$492,100** for development of a trailhead at the Millersburg Historic Depot. The development would include a restroom/shelter facility and fire pit to serve year-around users of the Alpena to Cheboygan State Trail. Also included are interpretive signage along the trail and a fishing/overlook platform on the Ocqueoc River.

**Oshtemo Township (Kalamazoo County)** is recommended to receive **$489,000** for development of the Oshtemo Township Park, including picnic shelters, a play area, restroom building, parking lot improvements, paved loop trail, basketball court, disc golf course and existing trail improvements.
City of Traverse City (Grand Traverse County) is recommended to receive $450,800 for revitalization of the Clinch Park Bayfront. The proposal includes universal beach and water access, kayak/small boat launch, trails/promenades, a splash pad, natural playground, enhanced picnic area, site furniture, landscaping and lighting.

City of Flat Rock (Wayne County) is recommended to receive $447,900 for the Flat Rock-Oakwood Metro Park Connector. This project will develop 1.93 miles of trail linking the Flat Rock Greenway to the Oakwood Metro Park Greenway to create a contiguous 23-mile greenway system in southeast Michigan.

City of Novi (Oakland County) is recommended to receive $437,500 to develop a trailhead for Landings Park for the existing and future non-motorized regional pathway system within the 11-acre Landings parkland, with an accessible waterfront park with 835 feet of naturalized shoreline.

City of Inkster (Wayne County) is recommended to receive $408,000 to develop a 4.5-mile Inkster Park Greenway Trail through the city along Wayne County parkland adjacent to the Lower Rouge River.

Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority (Marquette County) is recommended to receive $400,000 to develop 11 miles of non-motorized trail as part of the Iron Ore Heritage Trail. The portion runs from Negaunee to Marquette, linking to an existing trail in Ishpeming.

Burt Township (Cheboygan County) is recommended to receive $398,500 for development of 2.9 miles of non-motorized trail along West Burt Lake Road from Maple Bay Campground to North Raver Road.

Dewitt Township (Clinton County) is recommended to receive $394,200 to develop Valley Farms Park Miracle League baseball field and replace the existing restroom with an accessible restroom/concession facility.

Tuscarora Township (Cheboygan County) is recommended to receive $384,900 for development of Veterans Pier, including construction of a universally accessible fishing pier at DeVoe Beach Park.

Denton Township (Roscommon County) is recommended to receive $372,700 for development of township-owned property on Houghton Lake into a community park.

Ottawa County is recommended to receive $365,000 for the development of Olive Shores Park, including parking, restrooms, picnic areas, trails, boardwalks and dune climb stairs.
City of Kalamazoo (Kalamazoo County) is recommended to receive $363,200 for improvements to Woods Lake Park. The funds will support redevelopment of the park to include demolition of outdated facilities, installation of new restroom/shelter building, trailways, boardwalks, fishing stations, observation deck, new play area, landscaping and park furnishings.

Georgetown Township (Ottawa County) is recommended to receive $333,300 for improvements to Maplewood Park on Maplewood Lake. The 13-acre park will include a water spray area, playground improvements, group picnic shelter, lakefront improvements, a fishing/overlook deck, walking trail, sports court improvements, site amenities, landscaping and lights.

Mason County is recommended to receive $320,000 for development of a nature trail, improved entrance, new signage, fencing, lighting, landscaping and paving at the Mason County Fairgrounds.

Oakland County is recommended to receive $308,000 to develop universally accessible amenities at Highland Oaks, Lyon Oaks, Red Oaks and Rose Oaks parks.

Village of Berrien Springs (Berrien County) is recommended for $306,800 to expand the campground at Shamrock Park to provide for 20 full service, universally accessible sites, an accessible restroom/shower building and landscaping for this park located on the St. Joseph River.

Ironwood Township (Gogebic County) is recommended to receive $291,400 for improvements to Airport Recreation Park, including expansion and improvement of the parking lot, trails, trailhead facility, kiosk, interpretative signs, restrooms, pavilion and site amenities.

Texas Township (Kalamazoo County) is recommended to receive $287,800 to construct a 1.07-acre trailhead, staging area and mini-park for the Farmer’s Market Trailhead and Mini-Park.

Delhi Township (Ingham County) is recommended to receive $283,100 to replace a 30-year old restroom/pavilion building at Valhalla Park.

Forsyth Township (Marquette County) is recommended to receive $268,600 for improvements to Farquar/Metsa Tourist Park, including campsite upgrades and improvements, swimming and beach access to the Escanaba River, support structure upgrades and pathways.

City of Galesburg (Kalamazoo County) is recommended to receive $266,600 for improvements to Community Park that include a boat launch, fishing deck, retaining wall, walking/skating/biking trail and universal design playground.

Coldwater Township (Branch County) is recommended to receive $266,300 for improvements to Coldwater Township Hall Park to include walking paths, restroom buildings, picnic shelter, native grass restoration, educational displays, picnic pads, site preparation and utility extensions.
Thomas Township (Saginaw County) is recommended to receive $262,900 for improvements to Roberts Park, including pathways throughout the park that connect to a regional trail system, also construction of a pavilion and picnic area.

Baroda Township (Berrien County) is recommended to receive $256,000 for improvements at Hess Lake Park, including a pavilion with restroom facilities and kitchen amenities, a fishing pier on Hess Lake, playground equipment for toddlers, a bike/walk path around the park and an extension of a nature trail to a fishing pier.

City of South Haven (Van Buren County) is recommended to receive $250,000 for improvements to South Beach, including improved sidewalk access/connection from Erie Street to the beach promenade, universally accessible trail mat, painted crosswalks, accessible parking aisles and an extension to the existing Harbor Walk.

Gogebic County is recommended to receive $235,500 for improvements to Little Girl’s Point, including an improved water system, additional camp sites, upgraded bathroom facilities, a day use pavilion, playground equipment and a non-motorized trail system.

Village of Beulah (Benzie County) is recommended to receive $227,500 to revitalize the waterfront at Crystal Lake. The proposal includes development of walkways, boardwalks, beach access points, public amenities, sea walls, benches, tables, a pedestrian bridge and overlook.

Fruitport Township (Muskegon County) is recommended to receive $213,900 for improvements to the Sheringer Soccer Park, including a paved parking lot, gravel lot, two full-size youth soccer fields, accessible walkways, security lights and site amenities.

Macomb County is recommended to receive $205,000 to develop the Nicholson Nature Center, including a restroom facility, classrooms, boardwalk, trails, stream crossings, wetlands enhancement and signage.

City of Ithaca (Gratiot County) is recommended to receive $183,700 for development of the McNabb Park site, including five soccer fields, a parking area, barrier-free trails and viewing areas.

City of Fremont (Newaygo County) is recommended to receive $180,300 for development of Fremont Lake Park, including expansion of walkways to the beach, picnic area, fishing pier, linkages to existing Town and Country bike/pedestrian path, expansion of existing campground and a restroom.

City of West Branch (Ogemaw County) is recommended to receive $171,600 to construct an extension, the North River Trail, of the West Branch River Trail system.
Village of Port Sanilac (Sanilac County) is recommended to receive $166,200 for improvements to Fire Hall Park, including a trailhead along the M-25 shoreline bike route, a gateway kiosk/information center, site furnishings, accessible public restrooms, tennis court, basketball/skateboard court and fitness stations.

City of Galesburg (Kalamazoo County) is recommended to receive $162,200 for improvements to Ike Payne Park, including installation of playground equipment, new bathhouse/concession building, relocate the existing pavilion, tiered bleachers and backstops for ball fields and upgrades to existing ball fields.

Village of Fowlerville (Livingston County) is recommended to receive $159,300 for renovations to the Fowlerville Community Park including a 38-car gravel parking lot, paved path to the playground area, relocation and renovation of two existing baseball/softball diamonds and realignment of 600 feet of park roadway.

Casco Township (Allegan County) is recommended to receive $154,900 for development of the Casco Township Nature Preserve on Lake Michigan, including parking, accessible trails, interpretative signs and a vault toilet.

Oakland Township (Oakland County) is recommended to receive $154,900 for the improvements at the Lost Lake Nature Park, including renovation of existing residence for nature center use, a fishing dock, non-motorized boating, nature observation/education, accessibility improvements to parking lot, pedestrian routes, interpretative signage and storm water buffers.

Bridgeton Township (Newaygo County) is recommended to receive $146,500 for development of the Muskegon River Waterways Trail, including parking lot improvements, access drive, shore fishing and shoreline stabilization.

Village of Columbiaville (Lapeer County) is recommended to receive $121,500 for the Veterans Memorial Boardwalk for barrier-free improvements to the shoreline of Holloway Reservoir, consisting of boardwalk, observation platforms, concrete sidewalks and picnic facilities.

Village of Barryton (Mecosta County) is recommended to receive $92,900 for improvements to Barryton Park, including an asphalt pathway, observation and fishing pier, renovation to existing restrooms, furnishings and construction of two new tennis courts.

Village of Constantine (St. Joseph County) is recommended to receive $91,000 to develop Riverview Park. The proposal includes 1,100 feet of asphalt path, a 10-station fitness trail and conversion of a skateboard park to a full-size basketball area.
City of Carson City (Montcalm County) is recommended to receive $90,000 to develop the Grove/Haridine/West Parks non-motorized trail. The project will develop a non-motorized trail to connect the three parks via a paved spur to the existing bridge over Fish Creek.

City of Rockford (Kent County) is recommended to receive $86,500 for development of the Rogue River Nature Trail. This proposal would continue the trail and boardwalk at the river’s edge with connection to a northwest neighborhood of Rockford, the White Pine State Trail and the downtown business district.

Egelston Township (Muskegon County) is recommended to receive $82,100 for recreation improvements to Sunset Beach on Wolf Lake to include parking, access to restrooms and changing rooms, accessible fishing pier and additional picnic areas.

Village of Mackinaw City (Cheboygan County) is recommended to receive $74,900 for improvements to Conkling Heritage Park, including construction of a new restroom facility.

Lenawee County is recommended to receive $69,000 for improvements to Gerber Hill Park, including a shelter and educational facilities, sledding area signs, native prairie grasses, trail improvements, parking lot and entrance improvements, playground equipment, fishing deck, fencing and gate construction.

Oceana County is recommended to receive $54,000 for development of the Mill Pond Park, including fishing, bird watching, playground and picnic areas.

Department of Natural Resources and Environment/Mackinac Island State Park Commission is recommended to receive $50,000 to upgrade the Spring Trail with new barrier fencing, edge restraints, crushed stone surfacing, wood steps set in to the grade, free-standing stairs with landings, deck, bike parking and benches.

Department of Natural Resources and Environment/Forest Management Division is recommended to receive $50,000 to renovate the Pigeon River Country Visitor Center in Otsego County. This would include a log exterior on the existing building, restrooms, parking lot and interpretative displays.

City of Allegan (Allegan County) is recommended to receive $45,000 for improvements to the Veterans Memorial Riverwalk, including a fishing platform, paved event space, landscaping, site furniture, interpretive signs, rain garden and parking lot reconfiguration.

City of Brown City (Sanilac County) is recommended to receive $35,000 for pond and nature trail improvements including pond dredging, enhancing walking paths, making trails more accessible, expansion of existing sledding hill, leveling existing and planned playing fields.
City of Hartford (Van Buren County) is recommended to receive $29,600 for improvements at Ely Park to include expansion of the existing pavilion and installation of sidewalks.

City of Coldwater (Branch County) is recommended to receive $15,000 for the Optimist Park Playground renovation, which will renovate aging playground equipment at this park.

**Acquisition Projects Recommended for Funding:**

**William G. Milliken State Park and Harbor (Wayne County) – $20 million.** This funding will be used to acquire three to six large private inholding parcels and trail easements along the Detroit Riverfront as additions to the William G. Milliken State Park and Harbor in downtown Detroit.

**Globe Building Adventure and Discovery Center Acquisition (Wayne County) – $9 million.** This funding would be used by the DNRE to acquire 48,000 square feet of built-out space in the Globe Building for the William G. Milliken State Park and Harbor Adventure and Discovery Center in downtown Detroit.

**City of Saugatuck (Allegan County) - $7 million.** Funding ($3.5 million for phase II, and $3.5 million for phase III) would be used for the acquisition of the Saugatuck Harbor Natural Area, a 171-acre Lake Michigan parcel to be managed as a natural area open to non-motorized recreation. Phase I was approved in 2009 for $3.5 million.

**Storey Lake Acquisition - $5.5 million.** These funds would be used by the DNRE to acquire 2,100 acres of wildlife travel corridor that provides a critical connection between Pigeon River Country State Forest and extensive state forest land west of I-75 in various counties in the northern Lower Peninsula.

**Detroit Riverfront Easements and Acquisitions (Wayne County) – $5 million.** These funds would be used by the DNRE to acquire public use easements and land acquisitions along the Detroit River from the Ambassador Bridge to the MacArthur Bridge as part of a 5-mile-long public greenway.

**Northville Township (Wayne County) - $3,053,700.** These funds would be used for Phase II acquisition of 51.01 acres to create a linear park connecting the former Northville State Hospital property with the Wayne County Hines Parkway system and also preserve 200-year-old growth forest and link to the Southeast Michigan Greenways Network.

**Quiver Falls and Piers Gorge (Menominee County) - $2.4 million.** This project would allow the DNRE to acquire 9.5 miles of water frontage on the Menominee River for a river recreation corridor known as Quiver Falls and Piers Gorge.
Casco Township (Allegan County) – **$2.25 million.** This funding would be used to acquire 12 acres with 400 feet of frontage on Lake Michigan to expand its existing 8-acre nature preserve.

Pigeon River Country State Forest (Otsego County) - **$2.2 million.** These funds would be used by the DNRE to acquire 621 acres in the Pigeon River Country State Forest (PRCSF) in the Upper Black River area of Otsego County. This is the second largest inholding in the PRCSF.

Clinton County – **$1,886,300.** This project would acquire a 260-acre property to add to Motz County Park. The property contains two gravel pit lakes, one existing lake of 12 surface acres, a pending lake of 93 surface acres and a 78-acre farm field to be developed for native Michigan grassland habitat.

Sturgeon River Corridor Acquisition (Dickinson County) – **$1.75 million.** This funding would be used to acquire 813 acres of land surrounded by the Copper Country State Forest and the Sturgeon River.

Southeast Michigan Eco-Region Acquisitions - **$1.5 million.** This funding would be used by the DNRE for the acquisition of critical inholdings within existing boundaries in state parks, recreation areas, game areas, harbors and Natural Rivers in southeast Michigan.

Menominee River Oxbow Acquisition (Menominee County) – **$1.5 million.** These funds would be used to acquire 1,265 acres of land surrounded by the Escanaba River State Forest and the Menominee River.

State Trails Initiative – **$1.5 million.** These funds will be used to acquire lands or rights to lands that help the DNRE extend or connect the state trails network and adjacent lands to enhance the network.

Benzie County – **$1,387,000.** These funds would be used to acquire 150 acres to expand the existing Railroad Point Natural Area.

Huron Mountains Deeryard Complex Addition (Marquette County) – **$1.3 million.** This funding would be used to acquire the remainder of a 1,280-acre tract in northwest Marquette County within the Huron Mountains deeryard complex.

Camp Talahi Acquisition (Livingston County) - **$1.28 million.** This funding would be used to acquire 130 acres and Chenango Lake within the Brighton State Recreation Area.

Urban Areas Upland Game Habitat Initiative – **$1.25 million.** These funds would be used to acquire parcels within dedicated boundaries of eight state game areas -- Minden City, Sanilac, Lapeer, Gregory, Onsted, Lowell, Langston and Rogue River.
Au Train Basin Waterfowl Refuge (Alger County) - $1.25 million. This project would acquire high-priority lands in the Au Train Basin Waterfowl Refuge and other associated lands in Alger County for the purpose of wildlife habitat protection and public recreation. Phase I of this project was approved in 2007 for $1.25 million, and this would be Phase II funding for the project.

Upper Peninsula Eco-Regional Land Consolidation – $1 million. These funds would be used by the DNRE for the acquisition of critical inholdings within existing boundaries in state parks, recreation areas, game areas, harbors and Natural Rivers in the Upper Peninsula.

Northern Lower Peninsula Eco-Regional Land Consolidation – $1 million. These funds would be used to acquire various properties within the northern Lower Peninsula that will improve DNRE ownership by eliminating inholdings within state project areas, protecting critical resources, winter deer habitat and improving public access.

Pigeon River Country State Forest (Cheboygan County) - $1 million. This funding would be used for the acquisition of 480 acres of land located adjacent to the Pigeon River Country State Forest in Cheboygan County.

Southwest Lower Peninsula Eco-Region – $1 million. These funds would be used to acquire various properties within the southwest Lower Peninsula that will improve DNRE ownership by eliminating inholdings within state project areas, protecting critical resources, winter deer habitat and improving public access.

Big Trout Lake Acquisition (Chippewa County) – $1 million. These funds would be used to acquire 1,342 acres of forest, including extensive frontage on Big Trout Lake and Ziegler Lake in the Sault Ste. Marie Forest Management Unit.

Betsie River Jewell Parcel (Manistee County) - $900,000. These funds would be used to acquire 156 acres and 6,800 feet of river frontage along the Betsie River in Manistee County.

Gregory State Game Area Land Initiative (Livingston County) - $875,000. These funds would be used to acquire 200 acres adjacent to the Gregory State Game Area in Livingston County, including combined 2,850 feet of frontage on Sharp and McConachie lakes.

East Bay Township (Grand Traverse County) – $487,500. This project would acquire 70.91 acres for the expansion of the existing 55-acre Killingsworth and Kelly parks.

Golden Township (Oceana County) – $400,600. This funding would be used to acquire 6.1 acres located on Silver Lake for a community park known as Gold ‘N Silver Park.

Powell Township (Marquette County) – $404,500. This funding would be used to acquire 379 acres of forest land to protect wildlife habitat and extend nature trails from Thomas Rock Scenic Outlook.
City of Detroit (Wayne County) – $375,000. These funds would be used to acquire a 0.7-mile section of abandoned rail corridor in downtown Detroit that continues the Dequindre Cut north, connecting the Detroit Riverfront to the historic Eastern Market.

Village of Spring Lake (Ottawa County) – $330,000. These funds would be used to acquire 35.56 acres for a continuation of the Grand River Greenway non-motorized trail.

City of Belding (Ionia County) – $226,700. This project would acquire 38 acres with 2,900 feet of frontage on the Flat River to expand the 98-acre Lightning Bend Nature Preserve.

Brooks Township (Newaygo County) – $188,700. This funding would be used to acquire 80-acre tract additions to Coolbaugh Natural Areas Park to be used for hiking and equestrian trails, along with protecting Karner Blue butterfly habitat.

City of Grand Haven (Ottawa County) - $181,000. This funding would be used by the Eagle Ottawa Riverfront Project to acquire two parcels of waterfront to enable the city to develop a linear park and trail to connect the city’s east and west sides.

Marquette Township (Marquette County) – $156,900. This project would acquire 4.75 acres to expand the existing Schwemwood Park to be used as a trailhead for the Iron Ore Heritage Trail.

Laketown Township (Allegan County) – $100,000. This project will acquire a 2.5-acre parcel as an addition to Wolters Woods, a family park with playground facilities, picnic pavilion and trails. The parcel includes additional access to Sunny Creek.

Hamlin Township (Eaton County) – $99,400. This funding would be used to acquire 24.79 acres of land to develop a township park.

Delta County – $90,000. This funding would be used to acquire 2.9 acres, including 411 feet of Lake Michigan shoreline, located in Sac Bay Park.

Spring Lake Township (Ottawa County) – $61,200. These funds would be used to acquire 1.83 acres in the Glafcke Family Public Preserve for permanent viewshed and habitat protection.

Village of Port Austin (Huron County) – $60,000. These funds would be used to acquire a 1-acre parcel of vacant property located next to the village water tower to develop a downtown park.

Grattan Township (Kent County) – $48,100. This funding would be used to acquire 24.65 acres for the expansion of Seeley Creek Park.

Eveline Township (Charlevoix County) – $46,500. These funds would be used to acquire 0.22 acres to provide an access point and parking near the end of Washington Street on Lake Charlevoix.
City of Marine City (St. Clair County) – $37,500. This funding would be used to acquire a 0.10-acre parcel adjacent to the City Beach to add more beach frontage.

Village of Constantine (St. Joseph County) – $36,000. This funding would be used to acquire 3.5 acres for Riverview Park, along the St. Joseph and Fawn rivers.

Village of Leonard (Oakland County) – $22,500. This funding would be used to acquire 0.28 acres of property adjacent to the Polly Ann Trail.

Richfield Township (Genesee County) – $21,600. These funds would be used to acquire approximately a ½-mile-long, 88-foot-wide greenspace for Richfield Park.

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