L'ANSE

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RECREATION PLAN

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Introduction

Recreation facilities enhance the quality of life in a community. Recreation opportunities can also affect the quality and quantity of development. This Recreation Plan was prepared in accordance with Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) guidelines to serve as a guide to local decision-makers in the planning, financing, and implementation of future recreational improvements in the Village of L’Anse and L’Anse Township.

Although the L’Anse area offers a variety of recreation opportunities and tourist attractions, there is always room for improvement of facilities for both residents and visitors. Planning and development of recreation facilities in the area must take into account the area’s natural environment, transportation, and people.

This plan covers a five-year time frame, but the content is not static. Planning is a fluid process, and local governing officials are prepared to amend the plan as conditions change. In addition, this plan is consistent with the Village of L’Anse and L'Anse Township Master Plans, which each include a section for recreation (Appendices A and B, respectively).
Part 1: Community Description

Overview

The L’Anse area is located in north-central Baraga County on the south shore of Lake Superior (see Figure 1). The area is located a drive of roughly 500 miles from Detroit, 400 miles from Chicago, and 350 miles from Minneapolis.

The known human history of the L’Anse area began several thousand years ago when Indians used it as a settlement for fishing, hunting, and trading. French fur traders visited the area beginning in the early 1600s. More permanent settlement started in the mid-1800s with the discovery of copper to the north in the Keweenaw Peninsula and iron ore to the east near Marquette. Several years later lumbering made its impact on the area, and the forest products industry continues to be a major influence on the area economy.

The L’Anse area is picturesque, overlooking Lake Superior, and is surrounded by northern hardwood and coniferous forests. Lake Superior, the largest of all freshwater lakes, provides a valuable resource for fishing, boating, and swimming. The lake, along with the region’s rugged terrain, land cover, and climate, provides L’Anse with the potential of offering recreational opportunities not feasible in many parts of the state or nation. The region is a natural destination for hunting, hiking, snowshoeing, and other outdoor recreational opportunities. The area is also well suited for motorized sports such as snowmobiling and all-terrain/off-road (ATV/ORV) vehicle use.
Figure 1. L'Anse Village and Township Location Map
Social Characteristics

Population

One of the essential elements of any community planning analysis is an examination of the community’s population. Population in L’Anse over the past 50 years has fluctuated, with both the village and township peaking in 1980 then dropping to a fairly constant level from 1990 to 2010. Based on the 2010 U.S. Census, the village has a population of 2,011 with the outlying township population of 1,832. Population trends and characteristics for L’Anse Township and Village and Baraga County are shown in Table 1. Population characteristics for L’Anse Township, including the village, are shown in Table 2.

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<th>Table 1. Population Trends</th>
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<td>L’Anse Township*</td>
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Source: Decennial U.S. Census *includes the Village of L’Anse

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<th>Table 2. L'Anse Township Population Characteristics (includes Village)</th>
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<td>Population over 25: High School Graduate or Higher</td>
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<td>Population over 25 – Bachelor's Degree or Higher</td>
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Source: 2016 American Community Survey

Student enrollment for the L’Anse Area Schools, which serves Covington and L'Anse townships and the Village of L'Anse and has its main facility within the village, was 388 for the 2014-2015 school year.
Economy

In L’Anse the economy is tied to three major industries: manufacturing (including CertainTeed, Pettibone, and a number of small fabricators), retail, and healthcare (primarily Baraga County Memorial Hospital). Education; government (including a large correctional facility); construction; and agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining are also significant industries. Finally, the Baraga County-based Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, with its 500 employees, is the largest single employer in the area. Tourism is also a vital industry to the area, with recreation seen as an important incentive to attract visitors.

The median family income in the Township (including the Village), based on the 2011-2016 American Community Survey, is $52,188.

Physical Characteristics

Climate

The L’Anse area has a temperate northern climate, which is influenced by prevailing westerly winds and a location on the south shore of Lake Superior. Summers are warm, as are winters compared with many other regions along the same latitudes.

In addition to reducing the local temperature extremes, Lake Superior has the effect of providing the area with an abundance of predominantly light, dry snowfall, which is conducive to outdoor recreation.

Total annual precipitation is approximately 37 inches in Herman, which is located in inland L'Anse Township, with the greatest amount occurring in July and the least in February. The average seasonal snowfall in Herman is 219.6 inches, with the greatest amount occurring in January. At least 5 inches of snow is on the ground 141 days a year.

Topography

Topography in and around the community is somewhat rugged, ranging from slightly to steeply sloping terrain. Most of the Village proper is situated on terrain that slopes gradually downward from the outskirts of the Village northwest toward Keweenaw Bay. Generally the area has less than a 10 percent slope and is thus capable of supporting most types of development. Downtown L’Anse is located on a relatively flat plain.
Other Physical Characteristics

Except for some farming activity near the community of Herman, most of L'Anse Township (and Baraga County overall) is undeveloped and forested. There are numerous streams and small lakes, many of which are remote, and some of which contain relatively large fish populations. Outside of the Village of L'Anse, wildlife is abundant.

Infrastructure

Transportation

The primary approach to L’Anse is Highway U.S. 41, which connects with the Keweenaw Peninsula to the north and to major Upper Peninsula east-west highways farther south in Baraga County. Indian Trails provides bus service to and from cities across the Upper Peninsula, Michigan’s Lower Peninsula, and Wisconsin. The closest commercial airport is in Houghton County, located a 40-mile drive north from the village.

Community Facilities

L'Anse Village Office and Township Hall are both located on North Main Street in the village. Other community facilities include the Baraga County Courthouse and Administration Building, L'Anse Area Schools, Evergreen Cemetery, Baraga County Memorial Hospital, Baraga County Road Commission Garage, and Michigan Department of Transportation Maintenance Garage.
Part 2: Administrative Structure

Parks and recreation administration and program development are the responsibility of each entity's governing body. This includes programming; policy-making; and installation, operation, and maintenance of recreation areas. The Village of L'Anse also has an advisory Recreation and Resource Management Committee. Operation and maintenance is financed by local government funds, whereas capital development is funded by a combination of local, state, and federal funds. The current budget for recreation operations and maintenance for the Village of L'Anse is $48,121 ($16,603 for parks, $28,250 for the Recreation Building ice rink, and $13,377 for the Marina) and for L’Anse Township, $60,200.

The L’Anse Village Downtown Development Association (DDA) and Village Council administer a tax-increment financing district to fund public improvements. The improvements, of which recreation is an integral element, are part of a comprehensive revitalization program and are designed to serve as a catalyst for further investment. The funds can be used to help leverage state and federal recreation grant funds.

Volunteers play a vital role in both construction and upkeep of facilities, and have in the past provided in-kind local match for recreation project grants. The community will again draw upon this resource for planned future projects.

L'Anse Village and Township have a close cooperative relationship in operating, funding, and using recreation facilities. This is due to both the benefit of combined resources and overlap of boundaries and user groups. This will be especially apparent over the next several years as the yet-to-be-named L'Anse Township-owned park in Downtown L'Anse (further explained later in this plan) is developed. Accordingly, an ad-hoc L’Anse Area Recreation Committee was established to explore and make recommendations concerning the scope of recreation activities and facilities in the L’Anse area for this plan. The governing bodies will administer this Recreation Plan with guidance from their related permanent committees and staff.

The planning role of the joint Recreation Committee in relation to the individual government entities is shown in Figure 2. The chart is not intended to illustrate the hierarchy of authority in governance or plan adoption.
Figure 2. L’Anse Area Recreation Committee Planning Organizational Chart
Part 3. Recreation Inventory

The L'Anse area has numerous parks and other recreation facilities operated by the two entities. An inventory of these has been developed based on past records, recent site visits, and input from community officials and staff. Village-owned facilities range from a large, modern waterfront park and marina to a trail system and multipurpose building. Outlying L'Anse Township focuses most of its attention on a campground and park along Keweenaw Bay. Most Village- and Township-owned recreation facilities are located within the village to serve the core population. A simple inventory of existing recreation facilities and sites is in Table 3.

Village of L'Anse-Owned Facilities

Waterfront Park is the village's crown jewel of recreation. It is located downtown on Keweenaw Bay, providing easy access to village residents and visitors. Playground equipment, volleyball courts, and horseshoe courts are available and supplemented by picnic tables, grills, two pavilions, and a beach. Restrooms and a band shell (with weekly summer concerts) are also available. A waterfront trail runs through the park and connects with the downtown business district. Snowmobile trail access is also provided via the adjacent Falls River bridge.

Adjacent to Waterfront Park is the one-acre Marina with 16 docks, piers, and a boat launch. A Marina Master Plan (MMP) was developed in 2014 and is being implemented in phases, with most of Phase 1 completed in 2017. Based on the MMP and subsequent progress, a description of recreational boating facilities information has been developed as a component of this Recreation Plan; due to its length, it has been incorporated as Appendix C.

Third Street Park is a neighborhood facility with a baseball field, basketball courts, a playground, and a skate park.
The Meadowbrook Recreation Building is an indoor arena with an artificial ice rink, warm-up area, and concession stand. The building is used for hockey, skating, and community events.

The five-kilometer Pinery Lake Ski Trail connects with L'Anse Area Schools Village Park.

**L'Anse Township-Owned Facilities**

*L'Anse Township Park* is located three miles north of the village. The park includes a baseball/softball field, playground, horseshoe court, beach, gazebo, and three pavilions for day use. For longer-term use, a 33-site campground provides electric hookups (20-, 30-, and 50-amp), showers, firewood, ice, drinks, a payphone, and a dump station. The park also includes approximately three miles of hiking trails. The park receives heavy use by Township residents, while also drawing visitors from a much wider area. The Township is hoping to expand camping facilities and develop other amenities to provide an even greater draw. All park facilities are well-maintained. The park area is 97 acres including the 40-acre ball field.

*Second Sand Beach Park*, just east of the community of Pequaming, is a 30-acre site with a beach, picnic tables, grills, and portable toilet. It is the primary public beach in the L'Anse area, utilized by a wide user base.

*L'Anse Township Hall* is a community and government center accommodating dances, exercise, and other recreational activities on its second floor.

In 2016 L'Anse Township purchased the former L'Anse Area Schools football field from the Village of L'Anse. The site is located on North Main Street within the village. The Township intends to develop this site with multiple recreation facilities. Pending an official name, the property is referred to here as *L'Anse Township Village Park*.
Other Facilities and Sites in L'Anse

The *Elementary School Playground* includes a basketball court and picnic tables in addition to playground equipment.

*L'Anse Area Schools Village Park* serves the entire community and a broader region, being utilized for regional school athletic events. The park includes a football/soccer field and track, baseball/softball diamond, sled hill, gazebo, and 2.1-mile nature trail. Universal design (see Figure 2) was taken into account in design and for recent and current construction.

The *L'Anse School Building* includes a weight room and three gymnasiums for regional basketball and other athletic events. The building is also used for senior exercise.

Three recreation facilities of Sacred Heart School (private) are used by the public. Two of these are the *Sacred Heart School Play Lot*, with a basketball court and playground equipment, and *Little League Baseball Field*, which includes a batting cage. The third facility, *6th Street Basketball Court*, is leased to the Village. A community garden is located adjacent to the basketball court.
CertainTeed leases its Falls River Trail, a walking and hiking path adjacent to Waterfront Park, to the Village. The trail skirts the river and leads to a small waterfall popular with fishermen.

Alligator II is a 1.3-acre KBIC-owned beach in L'Anse Township north of the village offering 575 feet of Keweenaw Bay shoreline with a boat launch and picnic area.

Pequaming Beach is a swath of land southeast of the community of Pequaming spanning 4,500 feet of shoreline under various public ownerships.

L'Anse Golf Club is an 80-acre privately owned facility located in L'Anse Township four miles south of the village. It is open to the public.

L'Anse Township is also home to Canyon Falls Roadside Park, owned by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), Michigan Technological University, and the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service (USFS). Canyon Falls and its surroundings have recently become widely known as the "Grand Canyon of Michigan."

Finally, a section of the USFS Ottawa National Forest McCormick Wilderness is located in southeast L'Anse Township.
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<td>Community Park</td>
<td>Village of L’Anse</td>
<td>Playground equipment, 2 pavilions, picnic tables, grills, restrooms, beach, volleyball courts, horseshoes, bandstand, waterfront walkway with lighting, snowmobile trail access via Falls River bridge</td>
<td>2 Acres</td>
<td>Village/Township</td>
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<td>Marina</td>
<td>Marina</td>
<td>Village of L’Anse</td>
<td>Docks, moorings, piers, boat launch, utility hookups, gasoline</td>
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<td>Village/Township</td>
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<td>Third Street Park</td>
<td>Mini-Park/Playground</td>
<td>Village of L’Anse</td>
<td>Baseball field, basketball courts, playground equipment, skate park</td>
<td>1 Acre</td>
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<td>Elementary School Playground</td>
<td>Playground</td>
<td>L’Anse Area Schools</td>
<td>Basketball court, tennis court, playground equipment, picnic tables</td>
<td>2 Acres</td>
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<td>Meadowbrook Recreation Building</td>
<td>Indoor Arena</td>
<td>Village of L’Anse</td>
<td>Artificial ice rink, warm-up area, and concession stand – building hosts hockey and skating and community events, also serving as a backup for outdoor events in inclement weather</td>
<td>1 Acre</td>
<td>Village/Township</td>
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<td>L’Anse Area Schools Village Park</td>
<td>Community Park</td>
<td>L’Anse Area Schools</td>
<td>Football/soccer field and track, baseball/softball diamond, sled hill, gazebo, 2.1-mile nature/ski trail</td>
<td>5 Acres</td>
<td>Village, Township, and outlying School District</td>
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<td>L’Anse School Building</td>
<td>Indoor Multi-Use Facility</td>
<td>L’Anse Area Schools</td>
<td>3 Gymnasiums (basketball), weight room, senior walking use</td>
<td>Est. 2 Acres</td>
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<td>Sacred Heart School Play Lot</td>
<td>Playground</td>
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<td>Basketball court and playground equipment</td>
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<td>Little League Baseball Field</td>
<td>Outdoor Sports Field</td>
<td>Sacred Heart School</td>
<td>Baseball field, batting cage, dugouts, fencing</td>
<td>1 Acre</td>
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### Table 3. L'Anse Village and Township Recreation Inventory

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<td>6th Street Basketball Court</td>
<td>Mini-Park</td>
<td>Sacred Heart; leased to Village</td>
<td>Basketball court and community garden</td>
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<td>Pinery Lake Ski Trail</td>
<td>Ski Trail</td>
<td>Village of L’Anse</td>
<td>Ski trails (connect with L’Anse Area Schools Village Park)</td>
<td>5 Kilometers</td>
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<td>Falls River Trail</td>
<td>Non-Motorized Trail</td>
<td>CertainTeed; leased to Village</td>
<td>Hiking trail</td>
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<td>L’Anse Township Hall</td>
<td>Indoor Multi-Use Facility</td>
<td>L’Anse Township</td>
<td>Second story used for dances and other recreation activities</td>
<td>Under 1 Acre</td>
<td>Village/Township</td>
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<td>Township Park</td>
<td>Community Park</td>
<td>L’Anse Township</td>
<td>Baseball/softball field, playground equipment, horseshoes, 3 pavilions, campground with 33 sites and dump station, restrooms, showers, approx. 3 miles hiking trails</td>
<td>97 Acres</td>
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<td>Second Sand Beach Park</td>
<td>Beach</td>
<td>L’Anse Township</td>
<td>Beach, picnic tables, grills</td>
<td>30 Acres</td>
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<td>Alligator II (Lizzies)</td>
<td>Beach</td>
<td>KBIC</td>
<td>Beach, boat launch, picnic area</td>
<td>1.3 ac</td>
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<td>Pequaming Beach</td>
<td>Beach</td>
<td>Public (various)</td>
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<td>L’Anse Golf Club</td>
<td>Golf Course</td>
<td>Private</td>
<td>Nine hole golf course with driving range</td>
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<td>Canyon Falls Roadside Park</td>
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<td>Picnic area, hiking trail, drinking water, vault toilets</td>
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<td>McCormick Wilderness</td>
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<td>2,560 ac (total)</td>
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All of the above recreation facilities are used on a moderate to heavy basis in season. The Village and Township sites are mapped in Figures 4 and 5 respectively.
Accessibility Assessment

The accessibility scores in Table 3 are based on existing data and evaluation by WUPPDR in conjunction with local officials. Scores are described below:

Accessibility Score  
1 = none of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines  
2 = some of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines  
3 = most of the facilities/park area meet accessibility guidelines  
4 = the entire park meets accessibility guidelines  
5 = the entire park was developed/renovated using the principles of universal design (see Figure 3)

Scores are not included for facilities not owned or leased by Village of L’Anse or L’Anse Township.

**Figure 3. Seven Principles of Universal Design**

1. **Equitable Use**: The design is useful and marketable to any group of users.
2. **Flexibility in Use**: The design accommodates a wide range of individual preferences and abilities.
3. **Simple and Intuitive Use**: Use of the design is easy to understand.
4. **Perceptible Information**: The design communicates necessary information effectively to the user.
5. **Tolerance for Error**: The design minimizes hazards and the adverse consequences of accidental or unintentional actions.
6. **Low Physical Effort**: The design can be used efficiently and comfortably.
7. **Size and Space for Approach and Use**: Appropriate size and space is provided for approach and use.
Figure 4. Recreation Facilities Map, Village of L’Anse

1. Third Street Park
2. L’Anse Marina and Boat Launch
3. L’Anse Waterfront Park and Splash Pad
4. L’Anse Township Hall
5. Future L’Anse Township Village Park
6. Meadowbrook Recreation Building
7. L’Anse Area Schools Recreation Area and Playground
8. Falls River Trail
9. Sixth Street Basketball Court
10. Sacred Heart School Play Lot and Baseball Field

Recreation Facilities
Village of L’Anse
Figure 5. Recreation Facilities Map, Outlying L'Anse Township
Recreation Programs and Surrounding Area

Along with the essential physical education and organized sports programs offered to schoolchildren, a number of additional recreational activities are available to the community through L'Anse-Baraga Community Schools. Several local private groups provide additional recreation programming, including Little League, Softball Association, Hockey Association and Junior Golf League. Green Hill Manor (L’Anse Housing Commission) offers area senior citizens recreational opportunities. Baraga County Trails in Motion is a non-profit group working on non-motorized trail development and interconnectivity in the L'Anse area and throughout Baraga County.

Aside from athletics and community recreation, Baraga County offers a wealth of outdoor recreational opportunities. Over 100,000 acres of national, state, and commercial forestland in Baraga County are available for outdoor recreation. Commercial forestland enrolled in and managed in accordance with Michigan's Commercial Forest Act allows public fishing, hunting, and trapping by right and often allows other activities, such as hiking and camping, with landowner consent.

Beyond the developed recreation facilities of L'Anse Village and Township, nearby recreation facilities and natural attractions regularly used by L'Anse residents include Baraga State Park with its 115 campsites and other amenities; Ojibwa Recreation Area, a smaller Keweenaw Bay Indian Community-owned campground with other amenities; numerous waterfalls (many of which are located in L'Anse Township); Silver Mountain; and Mount Arvon, Michigan's highest point. Furthermore, the area is traversed by many miles of established snowmobile trails, ORV trails, cross-country ski trails, and hiking and nature trails including 7.5 miles of the North Country National Scenic Trail. Some of these trails allow for multiple uses—both motorized and non-motorized—on a single route, occasionally resulting in conflicts among users.
Previous DNR Recreation Grants

DNR recreation grants previously received by the included entities are as follows:

**Village of L'Anse**

L'Anse Multi-Use Building: #26-00507 of 1973, closed, in the amount of $80,000
- Multi-use building land development (serving intended purpose); lease from L'Anse Area Schools expires in 2014

L'Anse Waterfront Park: #26-01429 of 1985, closed, in the amount of $38,154
- Picnic equipment (good condition)
- Picnic pavilion (good condition)
- Play equipment (good condition)
- Pathways (good condition)
- Landscaping (good condition)
- Archway/signing (good condition)
- Restrooms (good condition)
- Fencing (good condition)
- LWCF sign

Arena Improvements: #BF92-025 of 1992, closed, in the amount of $37,500
- Masonry outside wall (good condition)
- Mechanical, plumbing, and electrical systems (functional)

L'Anse Harbor Boat Launch: #TF94-251 of 1994, closed, in the amount of $91,600
- Marina basin work (serving intended purpose)
- Boat launch (good condition)
- Parking area (good condition)
- Landscaping/site work (good condition)

Lakeshore Property Acquisition: #TF98-043 of 1998, withdrawn, in the amount of $50,000

Waterfront Park Splash Pad Improvements: #RP15-0062 of 2015, PA Executed, in the amount of $45,000
- Splash park (completed)

Marina Infrastructure Improvements Phase I: Waterways Program, in the amount of $260,000
- Applied for in 2015; grant was awarded after recreation plan was amended to resolve deficiency. The majority of Phase I improvements from the Marina Master Plan were completed. Future funding requests are expected for later phases.

**L'Anse Township**

Electrical Improvements at L'Anse Township Park: #RP15-0063 of 2015, PA Executed, in the amount of $45,000
- Utilities (primarily burying of electrical lines) (completed)
Part 4: Planning Process

This Recreation Plan was developed with assistance from the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region (WUPPDR). Planning was initiated with formation of a joint Recreation Committee representing each entity, with a total of eight participants. The Committee first met on October 30, 2017 to review and update the inventory, goals & objectives, and projects in the previous recreation plan. Priorities were identified and input taken on potential projects for the action plan.

Based on this meeting, a survey draft was developed and approved by committee members. On November 17, 2017, a press release announcing the survey was distributed to several local media, and the L'Anse Sentinel weekly newspaper and WJMN TV stations printed articles (Appendix D). The survey then became available online, accessible through the WUPPDR website (www.wuppdr.org), to accept responses through December 13 (later extended to December 17). Print copies of the survey (Appendix E) were made available for those without internet access at L'Anse Village and Township offices, Baraga County Public Library, Baraga County Administration Building, and Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College L'Anse campus. The survey was also publicized by Recreation Committee members, local officials, and the Baraga County Chamber of Commerce. Results are in Appendix F.

Survey results were reviewed and incorporated into the plan, along with prioritized projects for the next five years, at a second Recreation Committee meeting held December 19, 2017. L'Anse Township also provided a five-year project plan for its facilities (Appendix G). Subsequently a final draft of the joint plan was developed and authorized by committee members for release to the public.

The 30-day review-and-comment period beginning January 12 was publicized in a January 5, 2018 press release and subsequent articles and on the WUPPDR website. The draft plan was available via the WUPPDR website, www.wuppdr.org, and in print at the L'Anse Village Office. It was determined during the period that substantial additional content needed to be added, so a revised draft plan was issued and the extension was posted in the Township and Village offices. Public comment publicity is in Appendix H. Comments pertained to trail development, and content was added regarding the North Country National Scenic Trail.

The required public hearing was advertised February 24, 2018 in the Daily Mining Gazette (Appendix I) and held February 26 at the L'Anse Village Council Chambers. The hearing was attended by quorums of the Village and Township governing bodies. No comments were offered (Appendix J). Subsequently, the governing bodies met separately to adopt the plan (Appendix K).
Part 5: Goals and Objectives

The goals of the L'Anse Area Recreation Committee are outlined in the outer bullet points below, with the narrower, more functional objectives in the inner bullet points:

- Increase community involvement in current and future recreation programs
  - Utilize volunteers in operations and construction to the extent possible in lieu of external or local public funding
  - Encourage and enable continuation of community and school athletic organizations
  - Allow use of recreation facilities at low or no cost for public recreational activities and community events

- Promote healthy lifestyles and attitudes towards community recreation programs
  - Educate residents about the benefits of outdoor recreation as opposed to sedentary indoor entertainment
  - Ensure continuation of school and community physical education/fitness programs

- Support projects that are attractive and easily accessible to residents and visitors
  - Construct new and modify existing sites/facilities in accordance with Universal Design guidelines
  - Place low-impact facilities, such as playgrounds, within residential neighborhoods to the extent feasible
  - Highly prioritize design, development, and maintenance of signage and landscaping
  - Limit hours of operation of facilities adjacent to residential areas

- Ensure that facilities are compatible with area natural resources and environs
  - Preserve existing natural resources to the extent possible when altering sites
  - Maintain existing undeveloped/natural areas in their current state for intrinsic value rather than as sites for developed facilities

- Capitalize on recreation facilities and natural resources to promote tourism and economic development
  - Emphasize outdoor recreation and the natural environment in local or countywide branding/promotional campaigns
  - Cater facilities to the desires of visitors rather than only resident needs
  - Improve the Village of L'Anse Marina consistent with the 2014 Marina Master Plan
- Establish and maintain recreational multi-modal transportation connectivity with the larger region
- Identify and explore multiple internal and external funding sources to finance recreation projects
  - Stay apprised of changing DNR funding opportunities and priorities
  - Work creatively with the community and local government to set aside money or in-kind contributions to fulfill local match requirements
- Acquire and develop significant properties for recreational use as they become available
  - Analyze the marginal benefit of properties for sale adjacent to existing parks for potential expansion
  - Develop L'Anse Township's recently acquired property in Downtown L'Anse as a new park, in collaboration with the Village
- Support, when possible, projects that have multiple uses and year-round facilities
  - Think broadly and creatively to develop parallel and compatible winter/summer uses of sites and facilities
  - Target general volunteer support to either winter or summer activities based on personal interests and skills
- Improve both motorized and non-motorized trail opportunities, connectivity, and access
  - Adhere to and prioritize "complete streets" principles – particularly through maintenance and incorporation into new construction of sidewalks
  - Continue development of dedicated non-motorized trails within the Village and Township in collaboration with volunteers
  - Support the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community in developing the Keweenaw Bay non-motorized pathway linking Zeba and Sand Point
  - Support efforts to improve and interconnect segments of the North Country National Scenic Trail
  - Work with trail groups/enthusiasts, tourist-oriented businesses and organizations, and DNR to identify and resolve gaps in trail networks
  - Ensure access for and reduce conflicts with non-motorized trail users
Part 6: Action Program

Action Plan

Recreation priorities have been identified according to the current and projected needs of the Village of L’Anse and L’Anse Township and have been addressed in the following Capital Improvements Plan for the next five years. Projects are listed from highest to lowest priority in Table 4.

Table 4. Capital Improvements Plan

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<th>Project</th>
<th>Location / Owner or Jurisdiction</th>
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<td><strong>2018</strong></td>
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<td>Bury remaining overhead electrical wires</td>
<td>L'Anse Township Park / L'Anse Township</td>
<td>$75,000</td>
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<td>Reconfigure part of the future L'Anse Township Village Park (LTVP) land as open green space for miscellaneous activities</td>
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<td>Meadowbrook Recreation Building improvements, Phase 1</td>
<td>Village of L'Anse / Village of L'Anse</td>
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<td>Construction of sled hill, walking track, and 10 parking spaces at LTVP</td>
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<td>Remainder of Phase 1 improvements from Marina Master Plan</td>
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<td>Acquisition and storage of trail maintenance tools</td>
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<td>Playground equipment (purchase and replacement); picnic tables and fire rings; replacement trees</td>
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<td>Six additional vehicle trailer pads, including site preparation and utilities</td>
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<td>Barrier-free bathroom/shower building with utilities, laundry, and other amenities</td>
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<td>Improvements to ballfields: replace bleachers, improve dugouts, install electrical lighting and receptacles</td>
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<td>Additional playground equipment at Waterfront Park (3rd St. &amp; Waterfront)</td>
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<td>Construct street hockey / basketball court at LTVP</td>
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<td>Construct service building / pavilion with utilities and other amenities for general public use and events</td>
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<td>Skate park, BMX trail, and outdoor theater w/ lighting at LTVP</td>
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**Potential Funding Sources**

Funding sources available for recreation programs and projects within the Village of L’Anse and L’Anse Township include these in Table 5. Note that for many grant programs, projects that commit more than the minimum local match receive additional points in scoring and evaluation.
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<td>Land &amp; Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) ($30,000-$150,000 grant)</td>
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<td>Boating Infrastructure Grants (BIG)</td>
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<td>Waterways Program Grants</td>
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<td>Recreation Passport Grants (Up to $150,000 grant in 2017)</td>
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<td>Dam Management Grants</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>Recreational Trails Program</td>
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<td>Law Enforcement Grants (Marine Safety, ORV, Snowmobile)</td>
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<td>Coastal Zone Management (CZM) ($10,000-$100,000 in FY2019)</td>
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<td>Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) including Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)</td>
<td>Varies</td>
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<td>United States Department of Agriculture – Rural Development (USDA-RD)</td>
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<td>MEDC Tribal Allocation (Keweenaw Bay Indian Community involvement)</td>
<td>Varies</td>
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pasture. However, it can be seasonally wet and prone to erosion. The soil is not generally well suited for sanitary facilities.

2. **Skanee-Munising-Gay association**
   This soil association is found on flatland and in depressions and drainage ways. Most areas where this association is found in the county are wooded. This soil association is well suited for woodland areas, with the only concerns being equipment limitations, seedling mortality, and plant competition.

3. **Kinross-Au Gres-Croswell association**
   This soil association is poorly drained to moderately well drained and is found on lake plains, outwash plains and till plains. In the County this association is mainly found in woodland areas. It is best suited for woodland areas with primary concerns being equipment limitations, wind throw hazard and plant competition.

**Scenic/Recreational Resources**

The Village of L’Anse and the surrounding areas abound with recreational opportunities for all ages, year-round.

**Scenic Amenities**

The area is known for its beautiful Lake Superior shoreline, pristine wilderness areas, waterfalls, lakes, and streams. From the shoreline and bluffs of the Village, residents have a beautiful view of the Red Rocks and beautiful Keweenaw Bay that stretches between the Villages of Baraga and L’Anse. Residents want to preserve and more fully utilize these scenic amenities to attract new residents. Recreational trails are envisioned for the entire length of the Bay from the Village of Baraga, through the Village of L’Anse, and up to Pequaming. The areas along the Falls River would also provide outstanding opportunities for recreational trails and fishing opportunities from the Bay all the way to the Village owned property near the old Powerhouse.
Recreational Facilities

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) recommends the Recreation Park and Open Space Guidelines of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) as a standard for comparison for minimum acceptable spatial allocation measures for public parkland. The accepted standards, used as flexible planning guidelines, not absolutes, are:

- Community-based parks—6.25 to 10.5 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents
- Regional-serving parks—5 to 10 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents

L’Anse Village population is almost 2,000, so the minimum spatial allocation is from 13 to 21 acres of community-based parks and 10 to 20 acres of regional-serving parks for the residents. L’Anse currently has approximately 4 acres of parks (Waterfront Park, Marina/Boat Launch, Third Street Park, and Recreation Building) plus two walkways along the shore and Linden Creek that are publically-owned recreation lands. The school facilities (L’Anse Area Schools and Sacred Heart) add another 8 acres of recreation land, much of which is utilized by the public.

The NRPA standards address the following types of parks:

- Mini-parks with specialized facilities serving a limited population or interest group with a service area less than ½ mile radius, located within neighborhoods and in proximity to multi-family or elderly housing—0.25 to 0.5 acres per 1,000 people (0.5 to 1 acre, Village)
- Neighborhood park or playgrounds with areas for intense recreation activities with a service area of a 1 mile radius to serve a population up to 5,000, located with easy accessibility to neighborhood populations, geographically centered, and with safe walking and bike access—1 to 2 acres per 1,000 people (2 to 4 acres, Village)
Community Park with intense recreational facilities or areas of natural quality for outdoor recreation with a service area of more than one neighborhood (1 to 2 mile radius), over 15 acres in size, easily accessible to the neighborhood served—5 to 8 acres per 1,000 people (10 to 16 acres, Village).

In the process of creating the 2003 Village of L’Anse, Township of L’Anse, and L’Anse Area School Recreation Plan, these standards were discussed in relation to the Village. In smaller communities such as L’Anse, neighborhood and community parks need not be separate facilities since existing parks are within easy access of the local population. However, it is also important to anticipate the needs of tourists along with those of the local community.

In conducting a needs assessment for the 2008-2012 Recreation Plan it was discussed that there is a need to expand the size of the current Waterfront Park to serve both residents and tourists. This site provides outstanding scenic opportunities, connects to community walkways, is adjacent to Downtown businesses and the marina, and is highly visible due to the topography and scenic draw of Keweenaw Bay. The park has the potential to catalyze other economic opportunities within the core of the Village. More parking and picnic facilities are needed for recreation users.

Shown at right is an analysis of recreational facilities in comparison to DNR Opportunity Standards. This analysis is a quantitative analysis, yet there are other factors to be considered in recreation planning, such as location and quality of opportunities, accessibility for all members of the population, and unique community needs. For a more extensive qualitative analysis, see the community input summary later in this section.

The chart compares the Michigan Recreation standards based on actual population to existing facilities to determine possible deficiencies. Items such as the archery, rifle, and shotgun ranges are less frequently found in small communities. These items should be pursued only if local demand is evidenced.

**Source:** Michigan Department of Natural Resources. 1996. Building Michigan’s Recreation Future
in public visioning exercises. These items were not mentioned during the creation of this master plan. However, an outdoor ice rink and sledding hill were mentioned as possibilities for the former football field location by the Recreation Building (shown as a slight deficit in the opportunity analysis). A roller skating facility is listed as a deficit, and the community has mentioned the need for a skate park or rollerblade trails.

Under-utilized recreation opportunities are evident in every portion of the Village. Many informal trails have spontaneously developed in the vacant lands surrounding the neighborhoods on the northeastern Village boundary. The line of bluffs paralleling the lakeshore in the northwestern corner of the Village would provide outstanding scenic and interpretive recreation opportunities. There is an opportunity to create interpretive gardens which would provide recreational opportunities but also help stabilize the slopes along Linden Creek in the east central portion of the Village. The Falls River provides opportunities for fishing and trail activities in the core and southern portion of the Village where facilities are currently lacking for the neighborhoods divided from the rest of the Village by US-41. Outdoor recreation activities in the L’Anse area include camping, hiking, fishing, hunting, cross country skiing, and snowmobiling. Trout streams criss-cross the landscape (see Figure 3-15).

Regarding regional recreational opportunities, Baraga County has over 100,000 acres of state and privately owned commercial forestland available for recreation such as trails. The Peter Wolfe Chapter of the North Country Tail Association is responsible for 140 miles of the North Country hiking trail through the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Two sections of completed trail totaling approximately 6.4 miles thread through Baraga County, with a third section of trail under construction.

L’Anse area recreation, as reported in the Village of L’Anse, Township of L’Anse and L’Anse area Schools Recreation Plan of 2008-
2012, includes the following:

**Waterfront Park**
Approximately two-acre site on Lake Superior waterfront includes playground equipment, pavilion, picnic tables, grills, beach, underground watering system, restrooms, volleyball courts (regular and beach volleyball), band shell, and waterfront walkway with lighting. The Village developed a splash pad in this park that has become so popular, there is a need to enhance it. This Village owns and maintains this park.

**Marina and Boat Launch**
Approximately one acre special-use facility, located adjacent to the Waterfront Park and off Baraga Avenue. The Village-owned park includes docks, piers, and boat launch. The Village also maintains this facility.

**Walkways**
One walkway is located along Linden Creek starting at Lake Front Park and ending at Main Street which is the main business district. The walkway is concrete with benches and lighting. A second walkway is located along Lake Superior from Falls River to Division Street, and includes a concrete walkway, lighting, benches, and picnic tables. Both walkways are owned and maintained by the Village.
Figure 3-16: L’Anse Recreation
**Third Street Park**
Approximately one acre mini-park, located in the blocks between Third and Fourth streets. The Village-owned park includes tot baseball field, sandbox, swings, merry-go-round, monkey bars, play tires, and basketball and tennis courts. The tennis courts are in need of re-orientation because they face in an east/west direction, making visibility difficult.

**School Play Lot and Tennis Courts**
Approximately two acre site includes swings, slides, climbing apparatus, small basketball court, and tennis courts. This site is owned and maintained by the L’Anse School District and is located adjacent to the elementary school.

**L’Anse Recreation Building (Ice Rink)**
The facility includes artificial ice and warm-up area. The building is multi-use, housing such activities as car shows, roller-skating, art and crafts shows, and dances. The Village-owned and maintained facility is financed through U.S.D.O.I, DNR, and local funds.

**Sacred Heart School Play Lot**
The site is located west of L’Anse Avenue, is approximately one acre in size, and is owned and maintained by the parochial school. This location includes a play area with swings, slide, and merry-go-round.

**Little League Baseball Field**
This one acre site is located on Sacred Heart School property and includes an improved field with dugouts and fencing.

**Basketball Court**
Located on Sixth Street, the facility is maintained by the Village of L’Anse with a twenty-five year lease on property from Sacred Heart Church.
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Figure 3-17: L’Anse Area Recreation

[Map showing various recreational areas and landmarks in L'Anse and surrounding areas.]
L’Anse Golf Course
Nine hole golf course with driving range located three miles south of L’Anse on US-41. The course is leased to L’Anse Township for a period of 25 years and is open to the public.

Pinery Lakes Cross-Country Ski Trail
Located north of L’Anse on Indian Cemetery Road, the property is owned by the Village and the trail is maintained by the Baraga County Convention and Visitor Bureau. There are several loops through pine woods totaling approximately 10 kilometers of novice and intermediate levels.

Falls River Trail
Three acres of trail located along Falls River on leased land from U.P. Power Company, maintained by the Village.

Snowmobile Trails
In addition to parks and other Village-owned recreational facilities, the Baraga County Visitor and Convention Bureau maintains over 150 miles of groomed trail in the region, and the sport has proven a major economic boost. Due to the large amount of snow received, the area is a magnet for snowmobilers and other winter sports enthusiasts.

Lake Superior
By surface area, Lake Superior is the largest fresh water lake in the world and is the biggest of all the Great Lakes. During the spring, summer, and fall months, the lake offers endless fishing, boating and swimming opportunities. In the winter, the lake rarely freezes completely leading to large snow falls around the lake. Keweenaw Bay on the other hand does freeze and is a very popular ice fishing destination.

Camping
The Village does not have any camp sites within the Village limits. There are two camp grounds within the county; Baraga State Park and L’Anse Township Park and Campground.
Baraga State Park
This park, located on U.S. Highway 41 overlooking Keweenaw Bay, Lake Superior has 116 sites on 56 acres. Activities in the park include cross country skiing, fishing, hiking, and metal detecting. There is also a picnic area, picnic pavilion, and playground.

L’Anse Township Park and Campground
Located 3 miles north of the Village of L’Anse on Skanee Road, the park offers beautiful views of Lake Superior and Keweenaw Bay. The park and campground offer 30 modern campsites with electrical hook-ups, shower building, pavilion, playground, Lake Superior beach and shoreline, firewood, RV dump station.

Scenic/Recreational Summary
Residents of the Village of L’Anse benefit from the abundance of recreational opportunities available in surrounding municipalities as well as local recreation opportunities. But ongoing planning is needed for the Village of L’Anse to realize the most benefit from recreation expenditures by also becoming a recreation destination. Funding must be allocated in a manner that most closely meets the changing needs of the population base while addressing visitor opportunity. The scenic resources associated with the Village’s location help to ensure visitor interest. Carefully targeted expenditures on facilities and promotional activities will improve sustained interest and maximum utilization of Village facilities. The Village can best utilize limited resources by creating recreation goals that complement economic and community development goals, and carefully choosing strategies to increase facility utilization and decrease ongoing costs.
Appendix B

2012 L'Anse Township Master Plan Excerpt
**Scenic/Recreational Resources**

L’Anse Township offers year-round recreational opportunities for all ages.

**Scenic Amenities**

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- Regional-serving parks—5 to 10 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents

L’Anse Township’s population is almost 4,000, so the minimum spatial allocation is from 25 to 42 acres of community-based parks and 20 to 40 acres of regional-serving parks for the residents. L’Anse Village currently has approximately 6 acres of parks (Waterfront Park, Marina/Boat Launch, Third Street Park, Recreation Building, and 6th Street Park) plus two walkways along the shore and Linden Creek that are publically-owned recreation lands and the Fall’s River hiking trail. The school facilities (L’Anse Area Schools and Sacred Heart) add another 9 acres of
recreation land, much of which is utilized by the public.

The L’Anse Township Park includes 97 acres and serves the entire County. The L’Anse Township softball and hardball field includes 40 acres and serves the Village and Township. The Second Sand Beach Park is a mini-park of 30 acres serving the area. The L’Anse Golf Club is 80 acres. The Pinery Lakes Ski Trail is also located in the Township.

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- Neighborhood park or playgrounds with areas for intense recreation activities with a service area of a 1 mile radius to serve a population up to 5,000, located with easy accessibility to neighborhood populations, geographically centered, and with safe walking and bike access—1 to 2 acres per 1,000 people (4 to 8 acres for L’Anse Township)
- Community Park with intense recreational facilities or areas of natural quality for outdoor recreation with a service area of more than one neighborhood (1 to 2 mile radius), over 15 acres in size, easily accessible to the neighborhood served—5 to 8 acres per 1,000 people (20 to 32 acres for L’Anse Township)

In the process of creating the 2003 Village of L’Anse, Township of L’Anse, and L’Anse Area School Recreation Plan, these standards were discussed in relation to the Village and the Township. In smaller communities such as L’Anse, neighborhood and community parks do not need to be separate facilities since existing parks are within easy access of the local population. However, it is also important to anticipate the needs of tourists along with those of the local community.
The community hopes to purchase additional acreage from CertainTeed Corporation to expand the Waterfront Park along the shore of Keweenaw Bay, however, current corporate policies are not favorable for this proposition. This would be the best opportunity to more fully utilize the beautiful lakeshore and create a park with the potential to serve as a regional draw for the community. This would also be a valuable marketing opportunity for improving the visible corporate presence of adjacent industries. This piece of property is a crucial link in the creation of a multi-use path along the Bay from Baraga to L’Anse to Pequaming, unless the route is diverted around the property along the Falls River. Other options include creating multiple mini-parks closer to neighborhoods serving specific population segments, or collaborating to create a network of bicycle/pedestrian paths along the lake shore, Linden Creek, and Falls River.

Shown at right is an analysis of recreational facilities in comparison to DNR Opportunity Standards. This analysis is a quantitative analysis, yet there are other factors to be considered in recreation planning, such as location and quality of opportunities, accessibility for all members of the population, and unique community needs.

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**Figure 3-1: MDNR Recreation Standard**

L’Anse Township Master Plan 2012

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**Notes:**

**U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census**

***Not including school facilities**

Source: Michigan Department of Natural Resources. 1986. Building Michigan’s Recreation Future
The chart compares the Michigan Recreation standards based on actual population to existing facilities in both L’Anse Village and Township to determine possible deficiencies. Items such as the archery, rifle, and shotgun ranges are less frequently found in small communities. These items should be pursued only if local demand is evidenced in public visioning exercises. These items were not mentioned during the creation of this master plan. However, an outdoor ice rink and sledding hill were mentioned as possibilities for the former football field location by the Recreation Building (shown as a slight deficit in the opportunity analysis). A roller skating facility is listed as a deficit, and the community has mentioned the need for a skate park or rollerblade trails.

Boat launches with parking are listed as a significant deficit. There is a need for ORV facilities and trails. The soccer field is being built at the high school along with the new football field. Residents have considered alternatives for the outdoor swimming pool, such as utilizing a private facility in surrounding areas. One alternative may be a splash park with water jets, which is a lower maintenance item. Although baseball fields don’t show as a deficit, the community has mentioned the need for another facility.

Within the Village, informal trails have spontaneously developed in the vacant lands surrounding the neighborhoods on the northeastern Village boundary. The line of bluffs paralleling the lakeshore in the northwestern corner of the Village would provide outstanding scenic and interpretive recreation opportunities. There is an opportunity to create interpretive gardens which would provide recreational opportunities but also help stabilize the slopes along Linden Creek in the east central portion of the Village. The
Falls River provides opportunities for fishing and trail activities in the core and southern portion of the Village where facilities are currently lacking for the neighborhoods divided from the rest of the Village by US-41.

Outdoor recreation activities in the L’Anse area include camping, hiking, fishing, hunting, cross country skiing, and snowmobiling. Trout streams crisscross the landscape (see map).

Regarding regional recreational opportunities, Baraga County has over 100,000 acres of state and privately owned commercial forestland available for recreation such as trails. The Peter Wolfe Chapter of the North Country Tail Association is responsible for 140 miles of the North Country hiking trail through the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Two sections of completed trail totaling approximately 6.4 miles thread through Baraga County, with a third section of trail under construction.

L’Anse area recreation, as reported in the Village of L’Anse, Township of L’Anse and L’Anse area Schools Recreation Plan of 2008-2012, includes:

**Waterfront Park**

Approximately two-acre site on Lake Superior waterfront includes playground equipment, pavilion, picnic tables, grills, beach, underground watering system, restrooms, volleyball courts (regular and beach volleyball), band shell, and waterfront walkway with lighting. The Village owns and maintains this mini-park.

**Marina and Boat Launch**

Approximately one acre special use facility, located adjacent to the Waterfront Park and off Baraga Avenue. The Village-owned park includes docks, piers, and boat launch. The Village also maintains this facility.
Walkways

One walkway is located along Linden Creek starting at Lake Front Park and ending at Main Street which is the main business district. The walkway is concrete with benches and lighting. A second walkway is located along Lake Superior from Falls River to Division Street, and includes a concrete walkway, lighting, benches, and picnic tables. Both walkways are owned and maintained by the Village.

Third Street Park

Approximately one acre mini-park, located in the blocks between Third and Fourth streets. The Village-owned park includes tot baseball field, sandbox, swings, merry-go-round, monkey bars, play tires, and basketball and tennis courts. The tennis courts are in need of re-orientation because they face in an east/west direction, making visibility difficult.
School Play Lot and Tennis Courts

Approximately two acre site includes swings, slides, climbing apparatus, small basketball court, and tennis courts. This site is owned and maintained by the L’Anse School District and is located adjacent to the elementary school.

L’Anse Recreation Building (Ice Rink)

The facility includes artificial ice and warm-up area. The building is multi-use, housing such activities as car shows, roller-skating, art and crafts shows, and dances. The facility is financed through U.S.D.O.I, DNR, and local funds, and is owned and maintained by the Village.

High School Football Field and Track

This approximately five acre site owned and maintained by the L’Anse School District is located adjacent to the L’Anse Recreation Building. These facilities are currently being relocated to the site of the L’Anse School in a new athletic complex, so this site awaits reuse. Wetness is an issue on the site. The Village would like to purchase this property from the School District for a soccer and baseball field, outdoor ice rink, and sledding hill. The outdoor rink would provide more opportunity for open skating since the indoor ice facility has limited time available for open skating due to hockey and figure skating uses. The current indoor facility could be utilized as a warming area and restrooms for the outdoor facility.

Sacred Heart School Play Lot

The site is located west of L’Anse Avenue, is approximately one acre in size, and is owned and maintained by the parochial school. This location includes a play area with swings, slide, and merry-go-round.
Little League Baseball Field

This one acre site is located on Sacred Heart School property and includes an improved field with dugouts and fencing.

6th Street Basketball Court

Located on Sixth Street, the facility is maintained by the Village of L’Anse with a twenty-five year lease on property from Sacred Heart Church.

L’Anse Golf Club

Nine-hole golf course with driving range located three miles south of L’Anse on U.S. 41. The course is leased to L’Anse Township for a period of 25 years and is open to the public.

Pinery Lakes Cross-Country Ski Trail

Located north of L’Anse on Indian Cemetery Road, the property is owned by the Village and the trail is maintained by the Ski Club. There are several loops through pine woods totaling approximately 10 kilometers of novice and intermediate levels.

Falls River Trail

Three acres of trail located along Falls River on leased land from U.P. Power Company, maintained by the Village.
Snowmobile Trails

In addition to parks and other village-owned recreational facilities, Baraga County has over 150 miles of groomed trail in the region, and the sport has proven a major economic boost. Due to the large amount of snow received, the area is a magnet for snowmobilers and other winter sports enthusiasts.

Lake Superior

By surface area, Lake Superior is the largest fresh water lake in the world and is the biggest of all the Great Lakes. During the spring, summer, and fall months, the lake offers endless fishing, boating and swimming opportunities. In the winter, the lake rarely freezes completely leading to large snow falls around the lake. Keweenaw Bay on the other hand does freeze and is a very popular ice fishing destination.

Camping

There are two camp grounds within the county; Baraga State Park and L’Anse Township Park and Campground.

Baraga State Park

This park, located on U.S. Highway 41 overlooking Keweenaw Bay, Lake Superior has 116 sites on 56 acres. Activities in the park include cross country skiing, fishing, hiking, and metal detecting. There is also a picnic area, picnic pavilion, and playground.

L’Anse Township Park and Campground

Located 3 miles north of the Village of L’Anse on Skanee Road, the park offers beautiful views of Lake Superior and Keweenaw Bay. The park and campground offer 30 modern campsites with electrical hook-ups, shower building, pavilion, playground, Lake Superior beach and shoreline, firewood, RV dump station.
L’Anse Township Softball and Hardball Field

This 40 acre facility is used by the Village and Township.

Second Sand Beach Park

This beautiful stretch of Lake Superior shoreline is on the north coast of Pequaming. Second Sand Beach Park includes a picnic area, restrooms, grocery store and great swimming beach for families. This area is also used for launching kayaks.

Revisiting Public Recreational Input

It is important to understand that the comments and considerations presented here represent summaries of actual participant comments, not an analysis.

Attitudinal Surveys

The Baraga County Attitudinal surveys reflect the priority importance of waterfront recreation development in both Baraga and L’Anse. The L’Anse Waterfront Park was indicated as the most utilized facility in the area along with the marina. However, respondents also indicated that facilities most in need of repair include the L’Anse and Baraga lakeshores and beaches (including Second Sand Beach). It was indicated that these facilities were highly utilized by tourists. Waterfront development and boat rides on Lake Superior were two of the top listed priorities for tourism development.

Trails including bicycle paths, cross-country ski trails, snowmobile trails, and well-marked hiking trails were also of high interest, although it was indicated that the snowmobile, cross-country, and hiking trails need repair. Residents indicated frequent use of the hiking, cross-country ski, and snowmobile trails. It was perceived that snowmobile trails and cross-country ski trails drew tourist use. All-purpose trails were of high priority interest for tourism development. Historical sites were also listed as a priority for tourism development, and can be integrated into an interpretive trails system along with other identified tourist activities including sightseeing and waterfalls.

Other priority recreational opportunities include fishing, hunting, picnic sites, and swimming pools. Facilities noted in need of repair include parks, campgrounds, and the Baraga Ice Rink. The casino, parks, fishing, and hunting facilities were perceived to be utilized by both residents and tourists. Residents also indicated use of the golf course and picnic sites while acknowledging tourist use of the Baraga State Park and area campgrounds. Fishing related activity was perceived as a top priority for tourism development.
Recreation options receiving a majority of responses as low to medium interest include canoeing/kayaking, evening enrichment classes, non-alcoholic bar/recreational center, tennis courts, and volleyball courts. Of no- to low- interest for a majority of respondents are gambling, golf, racquet club/health spa, and skateboarding park.

2000/2001 Baraga County Strategic Plan

Highlights of the strategic agenda relating to recreation include being proactive in protecting and improving public access and creating recreational walkways by utilizing planning and zoning tools. For example, land use concerns include the expenditure of public funds on roads for private property owners who then block views and access to the lake with their development, indicating a negative tradeoff. There was also a noted lack of coordination of planning and zoning across municipalities, and a corresponding need for cooperation between the various jurisdictions and the tribal government. Views were also polarized on “more” versus “less” development as being desirable, especially on the waterfront, indicating a need for planned development. The requirements of an older population should also be addressed in recreation planning.

Participants specifically wanted to restrict truck traffic along the shore of the bay from L’Anse north to the Whirl-I-Gig, and to create recreational bicycle/walking trails between Baraga and L’Anse, L’Anse and Pequaming, and L’Anse to Skanee. The first phase would be constructed between Baraga and L’Anse which are the greatest population centers.

Baraga County concerns regarding youth programs include the need to facilitate transportation to activities; create avenues for self expression (including the arts); offer a way to earn money; teach ballet, gymnastics, and swimming programs; provide access to technology; create a safe hangout place; and teach life skills. Of special concern were the needs of single parents and economically depressed youth and elders. A youth center, movie/community theater, and a public library were on the wish list. A youth shuttle bus is needed.

Within the youth focus group, social/recreation programs such as “Kids Rights”, “Peer Educator”, elementary basketball, hockey, Little League Baseball, summer soccer, Baraga/L’Anse figure skating, 4-H Youth, Baraga Water Safety, DNR Hunter Safety, KBIC Kids Fair, KBIC Pow Wow, KBIC summer youth (8-12 year olds), “Reggae on the Res”, after-school arts, mentoring, DNR “Summer Exploration Days”, DNR summer youth hiring, “Odyssey of the Mind”, and Baraga Village youth summer job programs were mentioned. Important special events include a New Year’s Eve Semi-Formal dance, church sponsored events, Baraga County Fair, “Santa Comes to Town”, and an Easter hunt. A strong network of parents supports the resource library and dances.

The youth recognized facilities of importance including the OCC Fitness Center in Baraga, cross-country ski and snowmobile trails, Lake Superior, Laird Township skating rink, L’Anse Waterfront Park, and neighborhood basketball and tennis courts.
Within the group studying tourism and recreation, natural resource amenities were identified as lake views, public access to water resources, waterfalls, changing seasons and fall colors, the Ottawa National Forest, wild berries, beaches, the south shore (Keweenaw Bay), hunting and fishing opportunities, Craig Lake State Park, Sturgeon Gorge, wildlife (bear, moose), and the quiet.

Community recreation amenities include nice parks; waterfront concerts; Travel Information Center; Lac Vieux Desert Trail; Huron Mountain gateway; docks and marina; live concerts and events at the casino; sweet rolls at the Hilltop Restaurant; availability of cabins, cottages and lodging; Skanee Road hunter walking trail; well-groomed snowmobile, cross-country, and hiking trails; golf course; and flea market.

Area community cultural/marketing opportunities that may be incorporated into recreational opportunities include the highest point; historical sites; Henry Ford heritage; burial mounds; Ghost Town; Aura Jamboree; Pow Wow; festivals and Fireman’s Tournament; museums in Alberta, Baraga County, Covington and Arvon; Hanka Homestead; Bishop Baraga Shrine; “Land of Legends”; and the Huron Island lighthouse.

**Focus Group Meeting, November 6, 2008**

Sport fishing was highlighted and discussed as an opportunity by both Baraga and L’Anse Village economic development representatives and the Tribe. MDNR has increased trout plants in order to promote the area as a fishing destination, including ice fishing. It was felt that marketing is needed to clarify an image of the area as a fishing destination and to promote charter boat fishing. One obstacle is the high levels of mercury in the fatty lake trout which renders the oils unsafe. Lean lake trout are safe for consumption, but decreasing in population. The Tribe is working with Michigan Sea Grant and MSU Extension to find ways to deal with the contaminants in the fatty tissues of the fish, either by reducing the contaminants or separating them from the oils.

The MDNR mentioned that while hunting and fishing are declining in participants, wildlife and birdwatching is an opportunity for growth, and that the area should be marketed during migrations. An option is to develop an auto touring route based upon birdwatching, fishing, hunting, waterfalls, etc. These routes can become part of area trail systems and scenic routes, and marketed via distribution of a detailed map. Grant opportunities are available for the creation and marketing of these specialized routes and could be promoted in the L’Anse/Baraga/Covington triangle. The school has applied for a grant to create trails and bird watching experiences, signage, etc. It would be a 3 mile nature trail for seniors and others within the school boundaries. They would like to explore how to tie into a larger trail system. The trail features interesting terrain variations and handicapped accessible areas. They are awaiting grant approval for the project.

MDNR representatives mentioned that with the new ORV regulations, states are asking local municipalities to work with counties to suggest roads that should be accessible to ORV networks. The snowmobile industry is saturated, but the ORV industry operates 7-8
months of the year up here, and there are many opportunities in this area for touring ORV routes. Right now there is just a closed system in the Baraga Plains and the Agate Falls/Bergland-to-Sidnaw rail trail. More trails are needed here. Options include development of trails on state lands and working to get easements adjacent to state property. Another option is to add trails during highway reconstruction projects. The Tribe also mentioned difficulty in getting easements from private landowners. However, it was suggested that the Baraga County Convention and Visitors Bureau can work out liability insurance for landowners as an incentive to participate.

Increased opportunity for silent sports such as kayaking, snowshoeing, mountain biking, and cross country skiing should be pursued. Interpretive and wayfinding signage is needed to support all area recreational opportunities.

**Scenic/Recreational Summary**

Township Residents are benefitted by an abundance of recreational opportunities. But ongoing planning and regional collaboration is needed to realize the most benefit from recreation expenditures by becoming a recreation destination. Because residents of the entire area enjoy recreational opportunity, collaborative efforts are appropriate and would ensure the most efficient use of fiscal resources. This is also the only way that the area can hope to become a recreation destination – by collaborating and collectively marketing activities and facilities.

Funding must be allocated in a manner that most closely meets the changing needs of the population base while addressing visitor opportunity. The scenic resources associated with the L’Anse area help to ensure visitor interest. Carefully targeted expenditures on facilities and promotional activities will improve sustained interest and maximum utilization of facilities. The Township can best utilize limited resources by creating recreation goals that complement economic and community development goals, and carefully choosing strategies to increase facility utilization and decrease ongoing costs.

The waterfront is recognized and valued as one of Township’s greatest assets for both residents and visitors. Because of the economic development benefits relating to the waterfront and the important ties to Downtown L’Anse, this area merits priority attention and future enhanced investment. Residents noted there was a need for greater utilization of the lakeshore and beaches.

The creation of a recreational trail network was of high priority interest for tourism development and enhanced quality of life for residents. Of highest priority is trail development along the lakeshore, with the first phase consisting of a Baraga to L’Anse link. Other opportunities include Falls River hiking and Linden Creek nature/riparian buffer trails. There is also evidence of a need for recreational trails in the vacant lands surrounding the neighborhoods in northeastern L’Anse Village, as informal trails crisscross the landscape. The line of bluffs paralleling the lakeshore in the northwestern corner of the Village would provide outstanding scenic and interpretive recreation opportunities. There is an opportunity to create interpretive gardens which would provide recreational opportunities but also help stabilize the slopes along Linden Creek in the east central portion of the Village. The Falls River and areas
around the Evergreen cemetery provide opportunities for fishing and trail activities in the core and southern portion of the Village where facilities are currently lacking for the neighborhoods divided from the rest of the Village by US-41.

It was noted that interpretive and wayfinding signs and maps are needed to enhance all recreational opportunities. The community was interested in exploring the expansion of fishing activity (perhaps sport fishing). There is a need to support youth recreation and transportation programs to help single parents. The community of Zeba needs to develop infrastructure on the parcel of land that allows access to Keweenaw Bay. This can become a community gathering area with the support of some community visioning exercises.

Opportunities include preserving or enhancing:
- Waterfront views and views from the bluffs
- Public access to the water

Opportunities for additional facilities on the waterfront include:
- Enlarged Waterfront Park and Marina with necessary parking facilities. Shower and toilet facilities at the marina.
- Farmer’s Market
- Recreational trail network
- Kayak lockers/water trail stop
- Public fishing piers

Opportunities for additional collaborative trail networks include:
- Cross-country ski trails
- Scenic, interpretive, or fitness-oriented hiking trails along the rivers
- Snowmobile trails
- Designated ORV trail network
- Scenic trails/boardwalk along the bluffs
- Wildlife & Birdwatching nature trails
- Mountain Biking Trails
- Auto touring route linked to trail systems and area features

Miscellaneous Recreational Opportunities include:
- Outdoor ice rink and sledding hill (possibly in the former football field location by the L’Anse Recreation building)
- Roller skating facility (or skate park or roller blade trails)
Splash park (in lieu of a pool)

It was noted that interpretive and wayfinding signs and maps are needed to enhance all area recreational opportunities. For example, there is a need to develop a summer non-motorized recreation map to include hiking trails, kayak put-ins, mountain bike trails, and scenic areas. Of further benefit is a winter non-motorized recreation map to include cross-country ski trails and snowshoe trails. An off-road vehicle trail map is also needed.
Appendix C

Recreational Boating Facilities Information for L'Anse Village Marina
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January 2018

- **General Purpose**: Transient (five slips) and seasonal (8 slips) docking; boat launching (concrete ramp)
- **ADA**: Restroom constructed in 2017 meets current barrier free guidelines. Related improvements included accessible walkways from the restroom to other facilities and accessible sidewalk along the docking area.
- **Site Development Plan**: The 2014 Village of L'Anse Marina Master Plan (MMP) described a three-phase plan for improvements and expansion of the facility. The majority of Phase 1 has been completed, with the focus on Phases 2 and 3 over the next five years. The phased plan is described below:
  1. New harbormaster/restroom building; replacement of floating pier; significant improvements to site parking and accessibility; other minor improvements to existing services
  2. Relocation of south rock pier to construct new broadside mooring area for four transient and four seasonal slips; harbor dredging to improve navigation in newly constructed area
  3. Construction of angled pier at north side of harbor entrance: This will provide additional protection, prevent further sedimentation at harbor entrance, and provide fishing pier and observation area for a sunken vessel; additional dredging and construction of six transient slips with deeper draft to accommodate sailboats (this is a regional need)
The site plan map from the MMP is included after page iii of this document.

- **Right Sizing:** A survey conducted during development of the MMP indicated slow growth in Lake Superior boating, with growth in occupancies at marinas with newer facilities and the capability to serve larger boats—particularly with adequate depth for sailboats. As the L'Anse Village Marina's facilities are modernized and incorporate additional amenities, small to moderate expansion for seasonal slips is justified, along with transient slips to lodge sailboats. Once this is completed the marina will be of proper size for its place in the community and regional market.

- **Marketing/events/partnerships:**
  1. **Events & Attractions:** The Village's marketing plan includes reaching out to organizers of local events to ensure that the visitors are aware of recreational opportunities in the village and the area's attractions and events. Among the major attractions and events L'Anse will focus upon in its promotional activities:
     - Ojibwa Casino: Round-the-clock, big-city gaming action with a variety of slots and table games in Baraga
     - Alberta Historical Museum / former Ford mill & company town: Offers a self-guided tour of steam-powered sawmill that Henry Ford built in 1935, along with a network of trails and a variety of other sites
     - Bishop Baraga Shrine: Shrine of the Snowshoe Priest, with a large monument overlooking U.S. 41 Highway and Keweenaw Bay between L'Anse and Baraga
     - Point Abbaye: Rocky peninsula at the northern tip of Baraga County offers excellent views of the Huron Islands and Keweenaw Bay
     - Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Pow Wow: Annual event showcases the Indian tribe's heritage with traditional singing, dancing, drumming, and banquet
     - Baraga County Lake Trout Festival: Annual festival in L'Anse includes a fishing tournament on Keweenaw Bay along with a number of family-friendly events.
  2. **Social Media:** The Village will advertise its recreation facilities through its Facebook page.
  3. **Web Site:** The Village's web site has a page that includes photos, facility map, and fee information for the marina. The Village plans to add information about other recreation facilities in the community to promote the community to visitors.
  4. **Press Releases:** The Village issues press releases about recreational activities and facilities as appropriate.
  5. **Promotional Materials:** The Village Downtown Development Authority is exploring options for printed promotional materials to be made available at the village office, marina, and points of interest. Any materials produced will also be available in PDF form at the village's website and Facebook page.
6. Partnerships: The Village uses community volunteer resources to assist in marina and park beautification projects, garden maintenance, restoration projects, invasive species control, and litter pick-ups; along with improving recreation sites, these activities foster community goodwill and "ownership." The Village also partners with L'Anse Township in many recreational endeavors and facilities, and the marina could potentially benefit from this relationship.

- Dredging: The main need for dredging is a result of migration of the mouth of the Falls River toward the marina, which causes sedimentation of the marina navigation channel. Also, natural currents and wind direction in Keweenaw Bay has pushed sandy beach sediments around the existing north pier into the harbor's entry channel. Both of these patterns are expected to continue indefinitely.
  1. **Cycle:** Based on previous dredging, which was conducted in 2000 (3,000 cubic yards) and 2012 (1,700 cubic yards) following the marina's construction in 1997, dredging is expected to be needed approximately every seven years.
  2. **Volume:** It is anticipated that 2,000-3,000 cubic yards will need to be removed in 2019 at a cost of $50,000 and in 2025 at a cost of $75,000
  3. **Disposal:** In the past dredge spoils were disposed of at the L'Anse Area Schools property approximately 1/2 mile away from the marina. Ample sites are available within a short distance of the marina should they become necessary.

- Maintenance and infrastructure replacement schedule:
  1. **Annual maintenance schedules:** Village of L'Anse Department of Public Works maintains the marina and adjoining Waterfront Park on a weekly basis. Annual maintenance includes updating or maintaining existing equipment, pavilions, benches, walkways, harbor facilities, splash park, and plantings. The Village places great value on natural resource protection and sustainability, particularly in landscaping and "green" stormwater management at the marina and other parks.
  2. **Replacement or rehabilitation schedules for large investments:**
     - 2019: Remaining elements of Site Development Plan Phase 1
     - 2019: Dredging - $50,000
     - 2021: Site Development Plan Phase 2
     - 2022: Site Development Plan Phase 3
     - 2025: Dredging - $75,000
Appendix D

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November 17, 2017

Recreation Survey Available for L'Anse Village and Township

The Village of L'Anse and L'Anse Township are working with the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region (WUPPDR) to update their joint five-year recreation plan. In addition to guiding improvements to the village's and township's recreation facilities and sites, the plan will ensure the village and township are eligible for certain grants from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Members of the public can have a voice in the planning effort by taking a short survey. In addition to general questions about recreation interests, the survey requests feedback on a number of potential projects within and north of the village.

Online responses are preferred and can be provided at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LAnseRec beginning November 22. Alternatively, paper copies can be obtained starting November 22 at the L'Anse Village and Township Offices, the County Administration Building, and Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College (east entrance), all on Main Street; and at Baraga County Public Library (in the L'Anse Schools building).

Please note that Baraga County is also updating its recreation plan and has a separate survey available. The L'Anse online survey will include a link to the Baraga County survey, and paper copies are available at the same locations as above.

Both surveys will accept responses through December 13, 2017. For further information, contact Jerry Wuorenmaa at jwuorenmaa@wuppdr.org or (906) 482-7205 ext. 319.

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L’Anse Village and Township are also updating their joint recreation plan and have a separate survey available. The Baraga County online survey includes a link to the L’Anse survey, and paper copies are available at the same locations as above.

Village, township survey
The Village of L’Anse and L’Anse Township are also working with WUPPDR to update their joint five-year recreation plan.

In addition to general questions about recreation interests, the survey requests feedback on a number of potential projects within and north of the village.

Both surveys will accept responses through Dec. 13, 2017. For further information, contact Jerry Wuorenmaa at jwuorenmaa@wuppdr.org or...
Appendix E

Print Survey Form
L’Anse Village and Township Recreation Survey 2017

The Village of L'Anse and L'Anse Township are currently updating their joint five-year recreation plan and seek your input to help plan recreation opportunities and priorities. Your response to this survey is important to ensure all points of view are considered.

The survey can also be completed online (preferred method) at: www.surveymonkey.com/r/LAnseRec. If you choose to complete this paper version, return it by December 13, 2017 to the location where you obtained it or to: WUPPDR, P.O. Box 365, Houghton, MI 49931

1. Where is your primary residence? (Check only one.)
   - Village of L'Anse (skip to #3)
   - L'Anse Township outside Village (skip to #3)
   - Village of Baraga
   - Baraga Township outside the Village
   - Arvon Township
   - Covington Township
   - Spurr Township
   - Other: ___________________________

2. If you do not have a primary residence in L'Anse Village and/or Township, do you have a secondary or seasonal residence there? (Check only one.)
   - Yes, in the Village
   - Yes, in Township outside Village
   - No, I do not have a residence in the Village or Township

3. Number of persons in your household by age: 0-5 ____ 6-12 ____ 13-19 ____ 20-39 ____ 40-64 ____ 65+ ____

4. Does anyone in your household, including you, have a disability or require specialized recreation? Specialized recreation refers to accommodations or modifications made to recreation facilities and equipment in order to remove barriers that prevent individuals with disabilities from using the facilities or equipment.
   - Yes
   - No (if not, skip to question #6)

5. If you or someone else in your household has a disability or requires specialized recreation, please explain:___________________________________________________________________________________________

6. Does anyone in your household use or take part in any of the following? (Check ALL that apply).
   - Archery
   - ATV/ORV trails
   - Backpacking
   - Baseball
   - Basketball/Softball
   - Bicycling (mountain)
   - Bicycling (path/road)
   - Boating – motorized
   - Boating or other watercraft – non-motorized/paddling
   - Campgrounds – RV hookups
   - Campgrounds – no hookups
   - Camping on isolated sites
   - Disc golf
   - Other; please specify: ________________________________________________________________
   - Fishing – boat
   - Fishing – shore or wading
   - Fishing – Lake Superior
   - Golf (courses)
   - Hiking
   - Hockey – field
   - Hockey – ice
   - Horseshoes
   - Hunting
   - Ice skating
   - Picnicking
   - Playgrounds
   - Running/jogging/walking
   - Shooting
   - Skiing – cross-country
   - Skiing – downhill
   - Skijoring
   - Shuffleboard
   - Sledding
   - Snowboarding
   - Snowmobiling
   - Snowshoeing
   - Soccer
   - Swimming
   - Tennis courts
   - Volleyball
7. The following are park improvement projects that may be undertaken in existing facilities and sites in the next five years. Please assign a level of importance to you for each potential project; 1 is LEAST IMPORTANT and 5 is MOST IMPORTANT. (This is not a ranking question – you may use the same number more than once for each section. Leave blank if you have no opinion.)

**L'ANSE TOWNSHIP PARK AND CAMPGROUND**
*(Three miles north of L'Anse on Skanee Road)*

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**FUTURE L'ANSE TOWNSHIP VILLAGE PARK**

L'Anse Township recently acquired the former L'Anse Area Schools football field bordered by North Main Street, Pat's Foods, and Meadowbrook Recreation Building. The township, in cooperation with the village, is now exploring options for facilities to develop at the site. These will be funded in part by concessions proceeds. The name of this facility is yet to be determined. **Please try to use the entire range of 1-5 for importance.**

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**OTHER FACILITIES**

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8. Please estimate how many days per year you or someone in your household use each of these existing facilities and sites.

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9. If you have any ideas for a name for the new L'Anse Township Village Park, please specify: ________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________

Please include any additional projects/comments/suggestions at the bottom of this page. Thank you!

Survey results will be included in the draft 2018-2022 Recreation Plan, which will be available for public review at least one month prior to a public hearing for its adoption early next year. Public notice will be given at the appropriate time.
Appendix F

Survey Results
Q1 Where is your primary residence? (Check only one.)

Answered: 166  Skipped: 1

**ANSWER CHOICES** | **RESPONSES**
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Village of L'Anse | 44.58% 74
L'Anse Township outside Village | 30.12% 50
Village of Baraga | 6.63% 11
Baraga Township outside Village | 5.42% 9
Arvon Township | 3.61% 6
Other (please specify) | 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

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Q2 If you do not have a primary residence in L'Anse Village and/or Township, do you have a secondary or seasonal residence there? (Check only one.)

Answered: 31    Skipped: 136

ANSWER CHOICES

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Q3 Number of persons in your household by age:

Answered: 151  Skipped: 16

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Q4 Does anyone in your household, including you, have a disability or require specialized recreation? Specialized recreation refers to accommodations or modifications made to recreation facilities and equipment in order to remove barriers that prevent individuals with disabilities from using the facilities or equipment.

![Bar chart showing the responses to Q4]

**Answered: 152   Skipped: 15**

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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
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Q5 If you or someone else in your household has a disability or requires specialized recreation, please explain:

Answered: 4  Skipped: 163

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<td>2</td>
<td>Child in a wheelchair</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Walking long distance is hard.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>My mother and myself both have issues that make stairs and standing difficult.</td>
<td>11/28/2017 10:29 AM</td>
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Q6 Does anyone in your household use or take part in any of the following? (Check ALL that apply).

Answered: 110  Skipped: 57
Hockey – ice
Bicycling
Skiing – downhill
Volleyball
Horseshoes
Snowboarding
Tennis courts
Disc golf
Soccer
Shuffleboard
Other (please specify)
Skijoring
Hockey – field

ANSWER CHOICES

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68 responses
### Q7 L'ANSE TOWNSHIP PARK AND CAMPGROUND

Answered: 112  Skipped: 55

#### Survey Results

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<td>6</td>
<td>The fields should have been updated, they were horrible. But, now that the school has</td>
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<td>spent the money where you failed. They should probably just be maintained not upgraded.</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>YMCA type building with a pool</td>
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Q8 FUTURE L'ANSE TOWNSHIP VILLAGE PARK

Answered: 112  Skipped: 55

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Walking pathway (loop)
Sledding hill
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Appendix G

L'Anse Township Five-Year Plan
L'Anse Township Five-Year Recreation Plan for 2018-2022

A Recreation Plan prepared in collaboration between L'Anse Township and the Village of L'Anse.

L'Anse Township Board approved November 2017

TO: Robert LaFave, Manager, Village of L'Anse

Jerry Wuorenmaa (WUPPDR), Executive Director

FROM: Brian Jentoft Clerk, L'Anse Township

DATE: December 19, 2017

RE: Five-year Action Plan for L'Anse Township

L'Anse Township is part of a Recreation-Plan Partnership with the Village of L'Anse. With that in mind the following narrative includes a listing of recreation improvements on which the township would concentrate over the next five years. Use the narrative from the previous L'Anse Township Plan 2013-2017 and revise the timeline.

Five-Year Action Plan L'Anse Township 2018-2022

L'Anse Township would like included in the updated five-year recreation plan the items which follow for the L'Anse Township Park:

2018 Replace all of the remaining overhead electrical wires in all areas of the L'Anse Township Park with underground buried wires. This would take place from the existing electrical entrance location from the lines on the Bayshore Road. It would include putting all electrical lines underground throughout the park up to the dusk-to-dawn light at the Skanee Road Entrance; all hookups to the park service building; the bathroom building; pavilion(s); the overhead lighting on poles in the park; and, any other electrical service areas. By going to underground wiring, the problem of trees falling across the wires would be eliminated. Funding: Local and State.

Rationale: The L'Anse Township Park has adequate ground space for underground burial of electrical service. Underground electrical service would eliminate repairs needed when trees fall across overhead lines. An estimated cost of $75,000.00.

2018 The former football field south of Meadowbrook Arena is township property and space is available for a BMX trail, skate park, gazebo, shuffle board court, backstop for softball, a court for street hockey and basketball, tennis court, a trail head, sleigh hill, outdoor ice rink and pond, a green area, and 10 parking spaces.
Rationale: These activities may be incorporated into the old football field space including an outdoor theatre and strategic lighting. Including all of these activities in a plan may accrue and estimated cost of $600,000.00. Local and state MDNR grants can be sought to cover costs.

Note: There had been electrical power to the scoreboard board posts and the entire field has drainage pipe installed so ground water will drain into the Linden Creek (Meadowbrook Creek).

2019 Purchase new and replace old riding toys and swings, playground equipment, and, additional picnic tables (have several that are handicap accessible); put in additional fire rings/pits; and, plant some replacement deciduous (leaf) trees for shade for general use. Funding: Local and State

Rationale: L’Anse Township would like to replace some existing equipment and add some new riding toys, swings, playground equipment, additional picnic tables and fire rings/pits in place for enhancing the outdoor experiences of those who utilize the L’Anse Township Park; many of these units will serve to enhance the enjoyment for the children who will use the park. An estimated cost of $55,000.00.

2019 Six additional recreational vehicle trailer pads to be constructed in the L’Anse Township Park. Funding Local and State.

Rationale: L’Anse township would have site preparation and installation done for six (6) additional recreational vehicle pads with water and electrical hookups. This project would provide additional recreational vehicle sites to accommodate many sizes of recreational vehicles. An estimated cost of $50,000

2020 Allocate site room and have constructed above the Monument area of the L’Anse Township Park a barrier-free Bathroom/shower Building. This would include a DEQ and Health Department approved septic system. This facility would have restrooms, electrical receptacles, a drinking fountain, vending machines, and coin-operated laundry machines as part of the building.

Rationale: L’Anse Township would allocate site room above the Monument area of the L’Anse Township Park to accommodate additional park usage. This building would be barrier-free and would add convenience for campers to do their laundry while utilizing the park facilities. The entire facility would be an estimated cost of $500,000.00

2020 At the L’Anse Township Ball Fields replace the bleachers and improve the dugouts and concession stand; install electrical lighting and receptacles in the dugouts and concession stand—the electricity is to be key controlled by a township caretaker and will be turned off when the field(s) are not in use; and, the electric service 4 wire is to be buried leading from the Skanee Road to the dugouts so there will be an absence of overhead lines.

Rationale: The L’Anse township Ball Fields have bleachers, dugouts, and a concession stand that are in need of improvement; there is a need for electrical service to the dugouts and the concession stand. However, this electrical service should only be accessed by a key or switch system controlling the usage. An estimated cost of $300,000.00.
2021 Construct another service building/pavilion within the park in the area above the monument for general public use and equipped with restrooms, showers, a coin-operated washer and dryer, electrical receptacles, drinking fountain, and beverage machines. Funding: Local and State.

**Rationale:** The L'Anse Township Park has room to have constructed a pavilion for general public use and for outdoor meetings and group/family picnics. This facility would have restrooms, electrical receptacles and a drinking fountain as part of the building. An estimated cost of $300,000.00.

2022 Rebuild a capped dock with metal pilings and deckboards—this dock to extend approximately 75 feet into Lake Superior; the dock would be the width of the existing dock; and, landscaping improvements to the waterfront. Funding: Local and State (MDNR grant(s))

**Rationale:** This location provides one of the most beautiful views of Keweenaw Bay and would provide a superb use for public enjoyment of the outdoors. Estimated cost would be $60,000.00.
Appendix H

Public Review Publicity
News Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Media Contact:
Jerald Wuorenmaa, Executive Director
906.482.7205 ext. 319
jwuorenmaa@wuppdr.org

January 5, 2018

L'Anse Recreation Plan Available for Review

L'Anse Village and Township will release for review and comment a draft of their joint 2018-2022 Recreation Plan.

The plan will be available online at http://www.wuppdr.org for public review beginning January 12, and in print at the L'Anse Village Office, 101 N. Main St., beginning January 15. A final public hearing for the plan will be scheduled prior to its adoption; notice will be published accordingly.

Written comments must be received by February 12 and may be e-mailed to Jerry Wuorenmaa at jwuorenmaa@wuppdr.org or mailed to WUPPDR, PO Box 365, Houghton, MI 49931. For more information on the plan or process contact Jerry Wuorenmaa at the addresses above or at (906) 482-7205 ext. 319.

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County to release rec plan draft for review

Baraga County will release for review and comment a draft of its 2018-2022 Recreation Plan. The draft will become available Friday, Jan. 12, 2018, for public review. A final public hearing for the plan will be scheduled prior to adoption of the plan; notice will be published accordingly. The plan will be available for review online at http://www.wuppd.org and at the Baraga County Administration Building (Clerk’s Office), 2 S. Main St., L’Anse.

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L’Anse Village, Township rec plan ready Jan. 12

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Appendix I

Public Hearing Notice Affidavit
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MICHIGAN PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

COUNTY OF HOUGHTON SS

YVONNE ROBILLARD

Being first duly sworn, says that
he/she is the agent of the Publisher
of The Daily Mining Gazette,
a newspaper published in the
English Language for the
dissemination of local or
transmitted news and
intelligence of a general character
and legal news, which is duly
qualified newspaper, and that
annexed hereto is a copy of a
certain order taken from said
newspaper in which order
was published on the following dates:

FEBRUARY 24, 2018

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Village of L'Anse and L'Anse Township will hold a
joint public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2018 in
the L'Anse Village Council Chambers, located at 101
N Main St, L'Anse, MI 49946, beginning at 6:00 pm.
The purpose of the hearing is to receive final public
comment regarding the L'Anse Village & Township
2018-2022 Recreation Plan prior to votes for adop-
tion of the plan by both governing bodies.

Ronald Ervast, President, L'Anse Village Council
Pete Magaraglia, Supervisor, L'Anse Township Board

Agent of the Publisher of The Daily Mining Gazette

Subscribed and sworn before me this 26th
Day of February, A.D., 2018

Notary Public, Houghton County, Michigan

Acting in and for the County of Houghton, Michigan
Appendix J

Public Hearing Minutes
President Ronald Ervast opened the L’Anse Village / Township special meeting for a public hearing on the Recreation Plan at 6:00 p.m.

With no Public comments, Ervast closed the Public meeting at 6:05 p.m.

President Ronald Ervast opened the L’Anse Village Council meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Present at roll call: President Ronald Ervast, President Pro-tem Davis, Trustees: Waara, Sikkila and VanStraten, Hulkonen and Miller absent.

A motion made by Davis, seconded by Sikkila to approve the minutes from the last council meeting.
Ayes: All.
Nays: None, Motion Carried.

A motion made by Waara, seconded by Sikkila to approve the agenda with changing Bills to #2 and Legal Update #3.
Ayes: All.
Nays: None, Motion Carried.

A motion made by Davis, seconded by VanStraten to approve the 2018-2022 Village/Township Recreation Plan.
Ayes: All
Nays: None, Motion Carried

A motion made by Davis, seconded by Sikkila to pay the outstanding bills.
Ayes: All
Nays: None, Motion Carried

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A motion made by Davis, seconded by Sikkila to go into closed session at 6:20 p.m.
Ayes: All
Nays: None, Motion Carried

A motion made by Davis, seconded by VanStraten to end closed session and return to open session at 7:02.
Ayes: All
Nays: None, Motion Carried

A motion made by Davis, seconded by VanStraten to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.
Ayes: All
Nays: None, Motion Carried.

Ronald Ervast, President
Amy J. Leaf, Clerk
Appendix K

Plan Adoption Resolutions
R-2018-2-26-1

L'ANSE TOWNSHIP BOARD

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE VILLAGE OF L'ANSE AND L'ANSE TOWNSHIP 2018-2022 RECREATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the L'Anse Township Board has, in conjunction with the Village of L'Anse, developed a Five-Year Recreation Plan which describes the area's physical and social features, existing recreation facilities, goals and objectives pertaining to recreation, and desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain recreation facilities during the period from 2018 to 2022, and

WHEREAS, the plan has been developed with input from a joint committee including representatives of the Township and Village, and

WHEREAS, following a one-month public review period, a public hearing was held on February 26, 2018 at the L'Anse Village Office to provide an opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Recreation Plan, and

WHEREAS, the L'Anse Township Board held a special meeting on February 26, 2018 at the L'Anse Village Office, subsequent to the public hearing, where it voted to adopt said Recreation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the L'Anse Township Board hereby adopts the L'Anse Village and Township 2018-2022 Recreation Plan as a guidance document for improving recreation for residents within the Township.

Motion by Supervisor Peter Magaraggia supported by Trustee Shelley Lloyd to adopt the resolution for the Village of L'Anse and L'Anse Township 2018-2022 Recreation Plan.

YEAS: Supervisor Peter Magaraggia, Trustee Shelley Lloyd, Treasurer Kristine Rice, Trustee Meghan Maki, and Clerk Brian Jentoft.

YEAS: Supervisor Magaraggia, Trustee Shelley Lloyd, Treasurer Rice, Trustee Maki, and Clerk Jentoft

Nays: None

Absent: None

I, Brian Jentoft, Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and original copy of a resolution adopted by the L'Anse Township Board at a special meeting thereof held on February 26, 2018.

Brian Jentoft, Clerk
VILLAGE OF L’ANSE

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WHEREAS, the L'Anse Village Council held a regular meeting on February 26, 2018 subsequent to the public hearing, where it voted to adopt said Recreation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the L'Anse Village Council hereby adopts the L'Anse Village and Township 2018-2022 Recreation Plan as a guidance document for improving recreation for residents within the Village.

Yea: 5  Nays: 0  Absent: 2

I, Amy Leaf, Village Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and original copy of a resolution adopted by the L'Anse Village Council at a regular meeting thereof held on February 26, 2018.

Amy Leaf, Village Clerk  L’Anse, MI