



County Parks & Recreation Millage Fact Sheet

Please Remember to Vote on Tuesday, August 7, 2012

Funding

Since 1967, the Isabella County Parks & Recreation Commission has provided County-wide park services. The budget challenges the County is facing have affected the funding support for Parks and Recreation operations. Establishing a solid funding source will allow the Parks and Recreation Commission to better maintain and improve the County Parks so future generations will be able to enjoy these recreational areas.

County Parks Millage Request

On Tuesday, August 7, 2012 Isabella County voters will be asked to vote on a 6-year, Parks Millage, up to .35 mills for the purpose of operating, maintaining and improving County Park facilities and program offerings. The tax rate will generate up to \$ 567,963.

Estimated Cost to Support the County Parks

Market Value Of Your Home	Estimated Annual Investment to Support Parks
\$ 50,000	\$ 8.70
75,000	13.00
100,000	17.40
150,000	26.00
200,000	34.80

PROPOSAL: For the purpose of operating, maintaining and improving the Isabella County Parks and Recreation Commission parks and programs as provided by PA 261 of 1965, shall the Constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all property within the County of Isabella, Michigan, be increased by up to 0.3500 of one (1) mill, (\$0.35 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value), for a period of six (6) years, 2012-2017, inclusive?

If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$567,963 for the Isabella County Parks and Recreation Commission parks and programs in the first calendar year of the levy. In accordance with State law, a small portion of the millage may also be disbursed to the Downtown Development Authorities of the Cities of Clare, Mt. Pleasant, and Union Township; the Local Development Finance Authority of the City of Clare; the Tax Increment Finance Authorities of the City of Mt. Pleasant; and the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority of Mt. Pleasant.



PARK MILLAGE WOULD SUPPORT

Deerfield Nature Park

- Improve Facilities & Trails
- Disc Golf/Sledding Hill/Mountain Biking
- Cross Country Ski Trails

Coldwater Lake Family Park

- Upgrade Campground & Cabins
- Improve Boat Launch

Herrick Recreation Area

- Upgrade Campground Area
- Bathhouse Improvements
- Improvement of Fishing & Boating Areas

Pere Marquette Rail-Trail

- Surface & Link Improvements

Majeske Landing

- Improve Boat Launch

Meridian Park

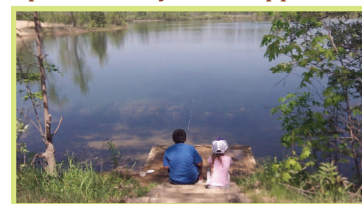
- Improve Boat Launch

Gilmore Park

- Add Trail Signs

Park-Wide

- Conservation Projects
- Expanded Programs/Events
- Trail Development
- Upgrade Equipment
- Chippewa River Stewardship
- Implement ADA Guidelines
- Expand County Park Support Efforts



Isabella County Parks & Recreation Commission

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