



LEGAL CRITERIA AND JUSTIFICATION

As required by Part 351, "Wilderness and Natural Areas," NREPA, 1994 PA 451, being section 324.35102 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

Area is nominated as: NATURAL AREA WILD AREA WILDERNESS AREA

Documentation of fulfilled legal criteria must be included with the Nomination Packet. Additional information and applicable forms are available on the Michigan DNR website at <http://www.michigan.gov/dnr>, [Wilderness & Natural Areas](#). Check all that apply.

<u>NATURAL AREA</u>	DNR USE ONLY
<input type="checkbox"/> The area need not be undisturbed, but has: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> retained or reestablished its natural character; or <input type="checkbox"/> unusual flora and fauna or biotic, geologic, or scenic features; or <input type="checkbox"/> other similar features of educational or scientific value <input type="checkbox"/> The area has been identified and verified through research and study by qualified observers.	
<u>WILD AREA</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The area is an undeveloped tract of land or water <input type="checkbox"/> The area is less than 3,000 acres <input type="checkbox"/> The area has outstanding opportunities for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> personal exploration; or <input type="checkbox"/> challenge; or <input type="checkbox"/> contact with natural features of the landscape and its biological community <input type="checkbox"/> The area possesses one (1) or more characteristics of a Wilderness Area indicated by * below. 	
<u>WILDERNESS AREA</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The area is an undeveloped tract of land or water <input type="checkbox"/> The area: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> has 3,000 or more acres; or <input type="checkbox"/> is an island of any size <input type="checkbox"/> * The area generally appears to have been affected primarily by forces of nature with the imprint of the work of humans substantially unnoticeable. <input type="checkbox"/> * The area has outstanding opportunities for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> solitude; or <input type="checkbox"/> a primitive and unconfined type of recreation <input type="checkbox"/> * The area contains: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> ecological; or <input type="checkbox"/> geological; or <input type="checkbox"/> other features of scientific, scenic, or natural history value. 	

STATEMENT OF JUSTIFICATION