

RESOLUTION NO. 08-2019-06

MICHIGAN STATE PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MSPAC)

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT TO AMEND “WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ORDER (WCO) NO. 8” TO ESTABLISH HUNTING AND TRAPPING AT WATKINS LAKE STATE PARK AND COUNTY PRESERVE

ADOPTED: November 7, 2019

WHEREAS, this Wildlife Conservation Order would provide for hunting and trapping during the established seasons on area of lands within Watkins Lake State Park and County Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the area proposed to be open to hunting and trapping are consistent with the recommendations in the General Management Plan for the Watkins Lake State Park and approved by the Director in October 2018; and

WHEREAS, Watkins Lake State Park and County Preserve was designated as the 103rd State Park and consists of 1,122 acres in Southern Michigan and has unique features making it well suited for multiple outdoor recreational opportunities, including a waterfowl refuge and migration viewing area; and

WHEREAS, the property was purchased with a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant and hunting and trapping were intended proposed recreational activities;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Michigan State Parks Advisory Committee supports and recommends approval to the Natural Resource Commission and the Director to approve the proposed amendment to the WCO No. 8.

Submitted by: Ron Olson, Chief, DNR, Parks and Recreation Division

Motioned by: Commissioner Chris Tracy,

Seconded by: Committee member Mike McDonald,

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: 6

This Resolution was adopted by the Michigan State Parks Advisory Committee at their regular meeting on November 7, 2019 as Resolution No. 08-2019-06.