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TO: John Byelich - Deer Range Management Specialist

FROM: L. A. Davenport - Habitat Development & Management Supervisor

SUBJECT: Acquisition and Management of Kirtland's Warbler Habitat

This is a follow-up on our discussions of this morning regarding the above subject. The intent of this memo is to more or less formalize the practices that have been in operation with regard to the warbler program. You have been representing the Division on this program, and I request that you make this one of your officially delegated responsibilities. I believe this will fit very well into your planned inventory of wildlife habitat on all lands within the forest game range, and can be a part of the habitat management plan developed from the inventory. In the interim before the inventory and plan are completed, please follow through and do whatever is indicated to perpetuate this rare and endangered species.

I'm sure you are aware that we have \$10,000 immediately available to acquire lands for warblers. There is another \$10,000 in the budget request for 1970-71, which is now before the legislature and a larger amount is included in the 1971-72 request which should be going to the legislature soon. Feel free to work directly with the Lands Division on recommendations for purchases.

Arrangements with the field should be through the regular field order procedure. Please keep Petoskey and I informed on all phases of the project as it develops.

L. A. Davenport

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cc: Petoskey