

14 February 1978

Mr. John Byelich
Leader, Kirtland's Warbler Recovery Team
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Dear Mr. Byelich:

The Operations and Training Section of this Department and the Camp Grayling Commander are in the final planning phases for this summer's annual training of the Ohio, Indiana and Michigan Army National Guard. It is necessary, therefore, to know which sections of Kirtland's Warbler habitat will be closed to training this year and which were previously closed might be open for 1978 training.

Colonel Rutkowski, Lieutenant Colonel Schmook and myself would like to meet with you soon about this question so we can finish the summer training scheduling.

Sincerely,

cc: LTC Schmook

MICHAEL H. JOHNSON
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Administrative Assistant
to the Adjutant General

27 March 1974

SUBJECT: DNR Closure Order, BW Area, Range 30

LTC Norman Schmoock
Operations Officer
Camp Crayling, MI 49734

1. I have inclosed a copy of DNR's Birtland's warbler Closure Order effective 1 May-15 August 1974.
2. Colonel Fowis is not alarmed by it. He recalls Mr. Byelich and Mr. Perez at the 2 March meeting being confident the 1974 census would show no birds in sections 15, 19, W 1/2 of 17 and the NE 1/4 and S 1/2 of 16, T27N-R2W. He says that DNR will, by 10 June 1974, tell us what sections we can have back to train in.
3. I will continue to keep you informed on this situation.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF MICHIGAN:

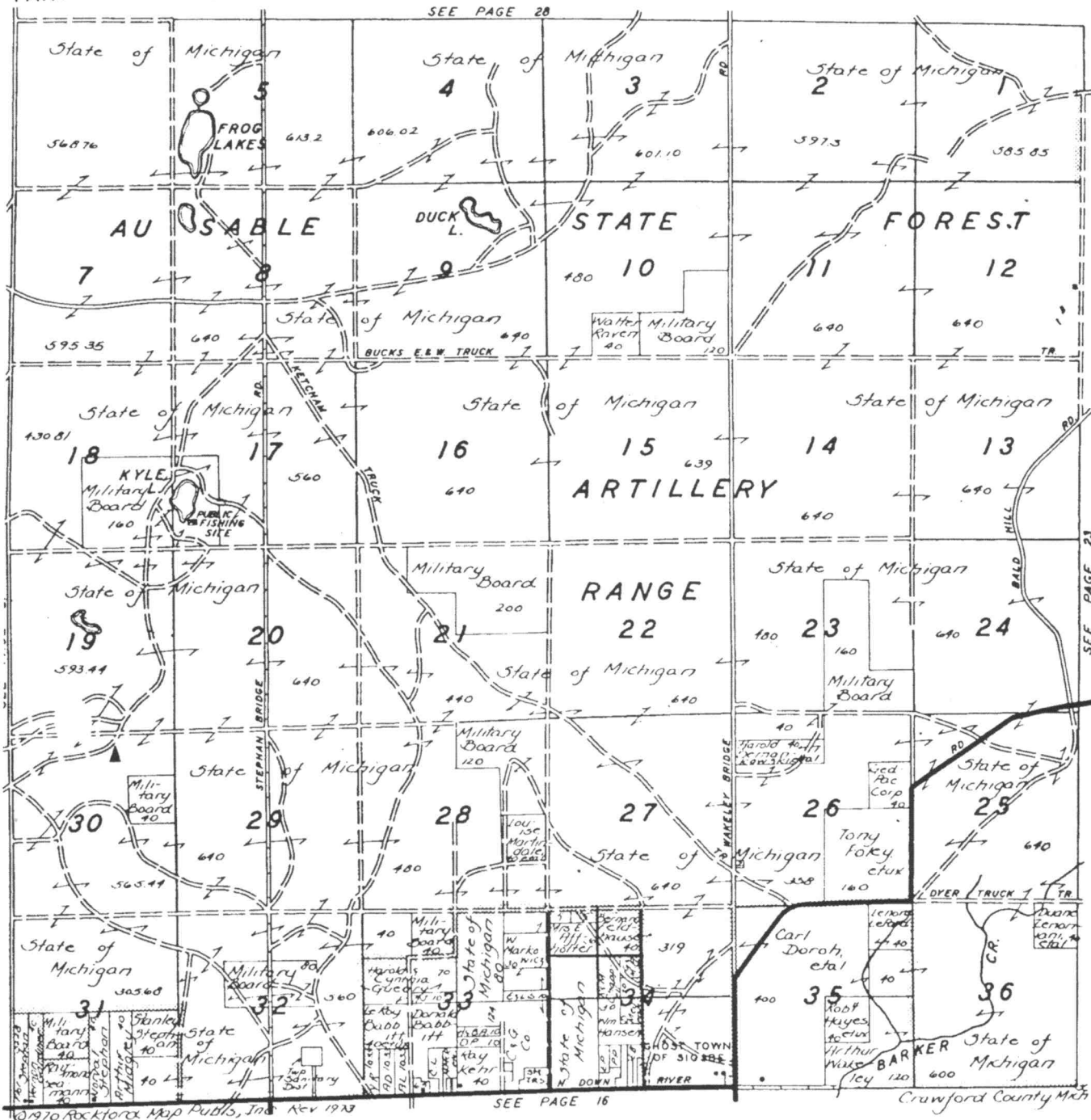
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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP

THE VISITOR CAN FIND A LIVING REMNANT OF THE LUMBERING DAYS IN THE HARTWICK STATE PINES WITH ITS FAMED STAND OF VIRGIN TIMBER AND LUMBERMAN'S MUSEUM.

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP IS THE HOME OF THE MICHIGAN NATIONAL GUARD AT CAMP GRAYLING, LOCATED ON LAKE MARGRETHE.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

March 20, 1978

SPECIAL PROGRAM DIRECTIVE

Number: WI-1978-75
Effective Date: March 20, 1978
Expiration Date: June 15, 1978

TO: Regional Wildlife Supervisor - Region II

FROM: Wildlife Division

Action to be Taken:

Closure of the Kirtland's Warbler area during the nesting period.

Specific Description of Action:

The Department of Natural Resources, in cooperation with the U. S. Forest Service and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is making a special effort to protect the endangered Kirtland's Warbler. The warbler population continues to remain at a critically low level; only 219 males were counted last year. Every effort will be made to protect this bird from any disturbance that could interfere with its survival. People walking about in the nesting areas, photographing the females and young, recording and playing back the songs of the adult males, have a decidedly harmful effect on the bird. Therefore, we are taking steps to restrict all unnecessary traffic within the active nesting areas.

This order is your authorization to close all active Kirtland's Warbler nesting areas on state lands against entry to anyone without written permission. Exact boundaries of the closed area will be determined by the Recovery Team Leader in cooperation with the field biologists in District 7. A copy of the Rule 1 order directing the closure and instructions for posting the areas is attached.

Permits will be issued only to certain people authorized to work in the Kirtland's Warbler areas.

To comply with Rule 1 order, we are asking that all areas listed in the order for closing be posted by the first week of May. The signs have been delivered to the Mid District Office. Posts and backboard for the signs will be acquired by the Regional Wildlife Supervisor. The job of placing posts and backboards will be coordinated through the Regional Supervisor.

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Program Coordination:

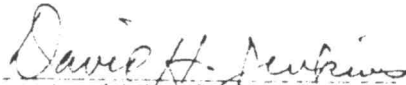
Nels Johnson, Regional Wildlife Biologist of Region II, will coordinate this program.

Accomplishment:

No report of accomplishment is needed provided the specified work is completed by the above schedule.

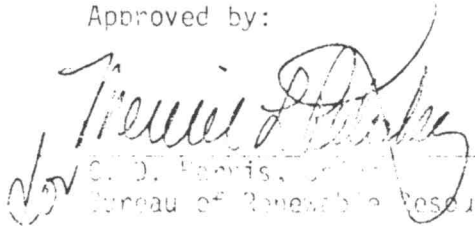
Priority:

High. The above schedule should be rigorously followed.



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Wildlife Division

Approved by:



C. D. Harris, Chief
Bureau of Renewable Resource Management

Written by: John M. Lerg, Wildlife Division

cc C. T. Yoder

