



WELCOME

KORC PUBLIC MEETING

October 15, 2021



AGENDA

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Why Keweenaw

The Role of Recreation: Past, Present, Future

Future Concepts

Questions and Discussion



Keweenaw Outdoor Recreation Coalition is a collaboration of individuals, businesses, units of government, clubs, charitable organizations and everyone who believe that the future of Keweenaw is keeping our land intact in its natural state with a place for all to enjoy their preferred forms of outdoor recreation.

Access for Everyone for Ever!



- Organized in December 2019**
- 700+ Individual Members**
- 50+ Clubs, businesses, conservation groups, local units of government**
- Help the DNR better manage existing public land**
- Volunteer for, fund and and conduct projects**
- Help the State expand public lands**
- Design and Implement a new model for DNR and Community well being**



PROJECTS

- **Gratiot River Park match donation**
- **Sheriff's motorized search and rescue GIS signs**
- **West Schlatter Lake Road repairs**
- **High Rock trash bins and service**
- **Mandan Road trash bins and service**
- **Spring Road Clean-up – 2000lbs collected**
- **Fall Beach Clean-up – 500lbs collected**





PROJECTS – In Process

- High Rock vault toilets
- Sheriff's motorized search and rescue - nonmotorized
- Club Superior
- DNR acquisition of FWO
- Brooks Grant walking/running trail
- And more!





KORC is a TEAM

Steering Committee – 20+

Local Government Advisory Board

Join Us!



Goals and Roles

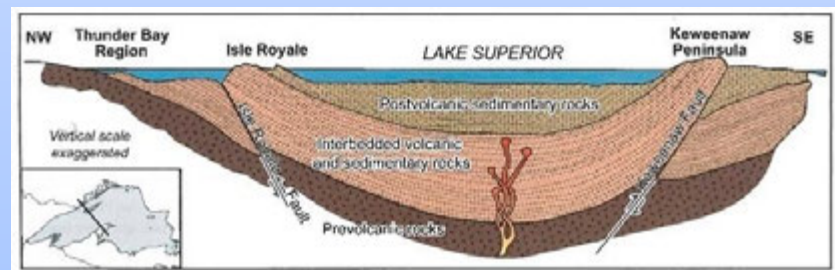
1. Keep the land base intact with a conservation easement in favor of the State of Michigan.
2. Keep the land on the tax roles.
3. Enable private for profit and nonprofit corporations to own and manage the land and mineral rights under the State easement.
4. Hire private business concessionaires to manage the amenities on existing State land and invest in the build out.
5. Allow a limited number of recreation buildout envelopes to be purchased and developed by private businesses.
6. Establish a county-wide plan for infrastructure in collaboration with County, Township and Village governments – affordable housing, septic, water, green energy, WIFI, cell, law enforcement, search and rescue.
7. Work with nonprofit conservancies and clubs to design and steward safe, beautiful and world class outdoor experiences for residents and visitors.

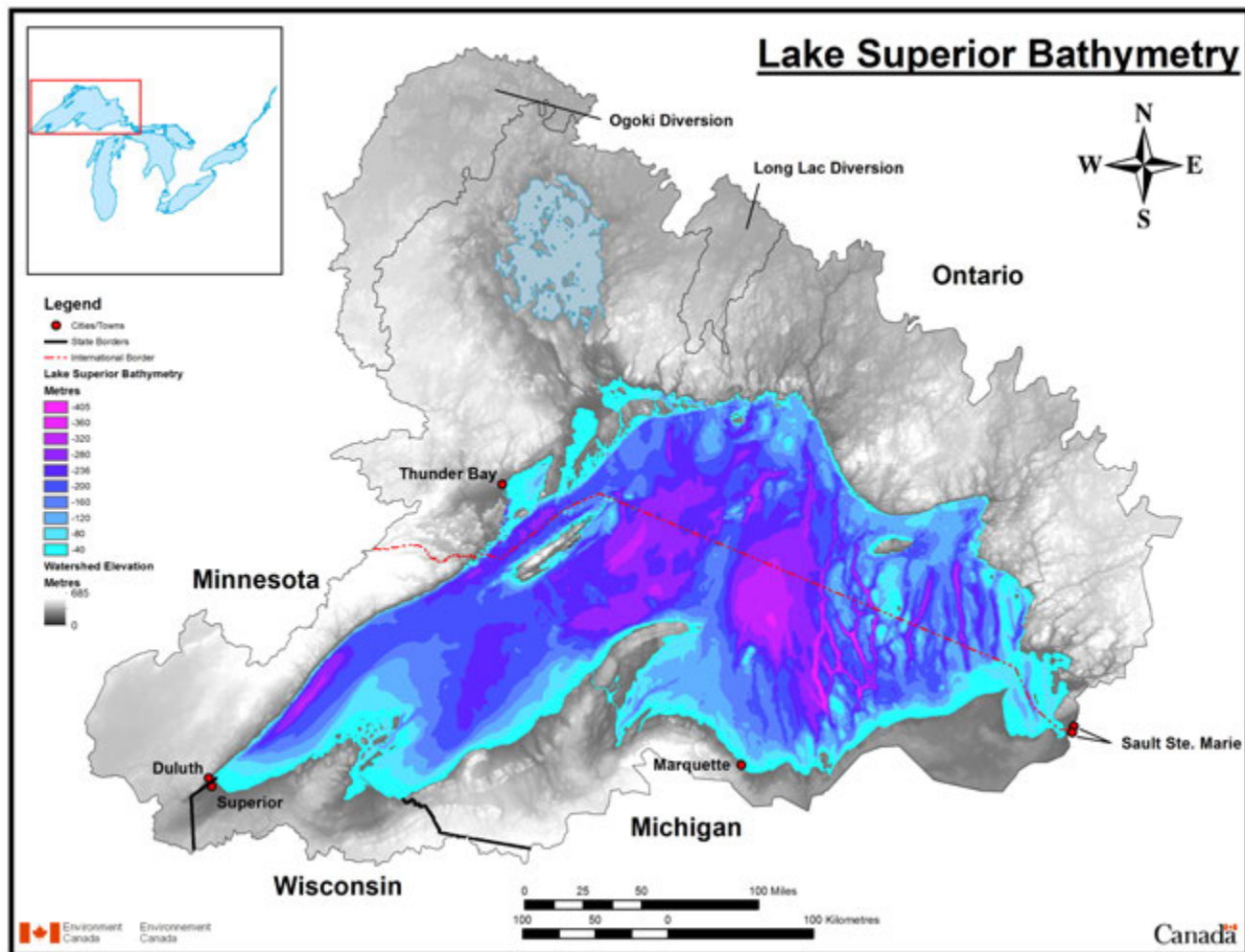




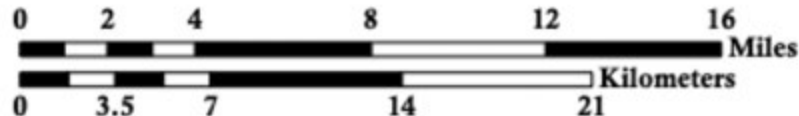
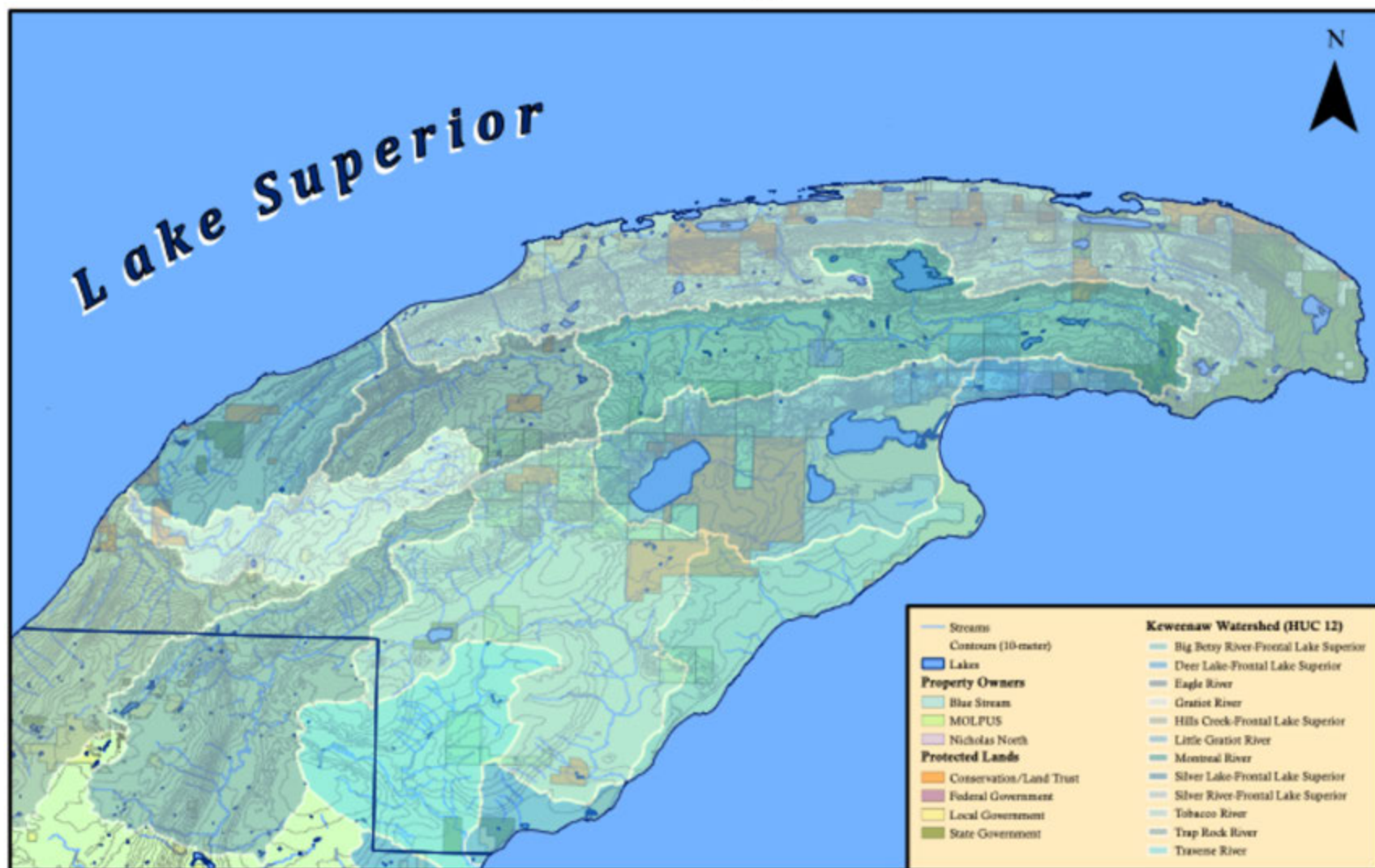
Unique Geology

Valuable Treasures





Keweenaw County Watersheds



Map prepared for Keweenaw Community Forest Company by the Geospatial Research Facility at Michigan Technological University.
September 29, 2021



Geospatial Research Facility
Michigan Technological University



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2020 NAIP Imagery of Keweenaw County, MI



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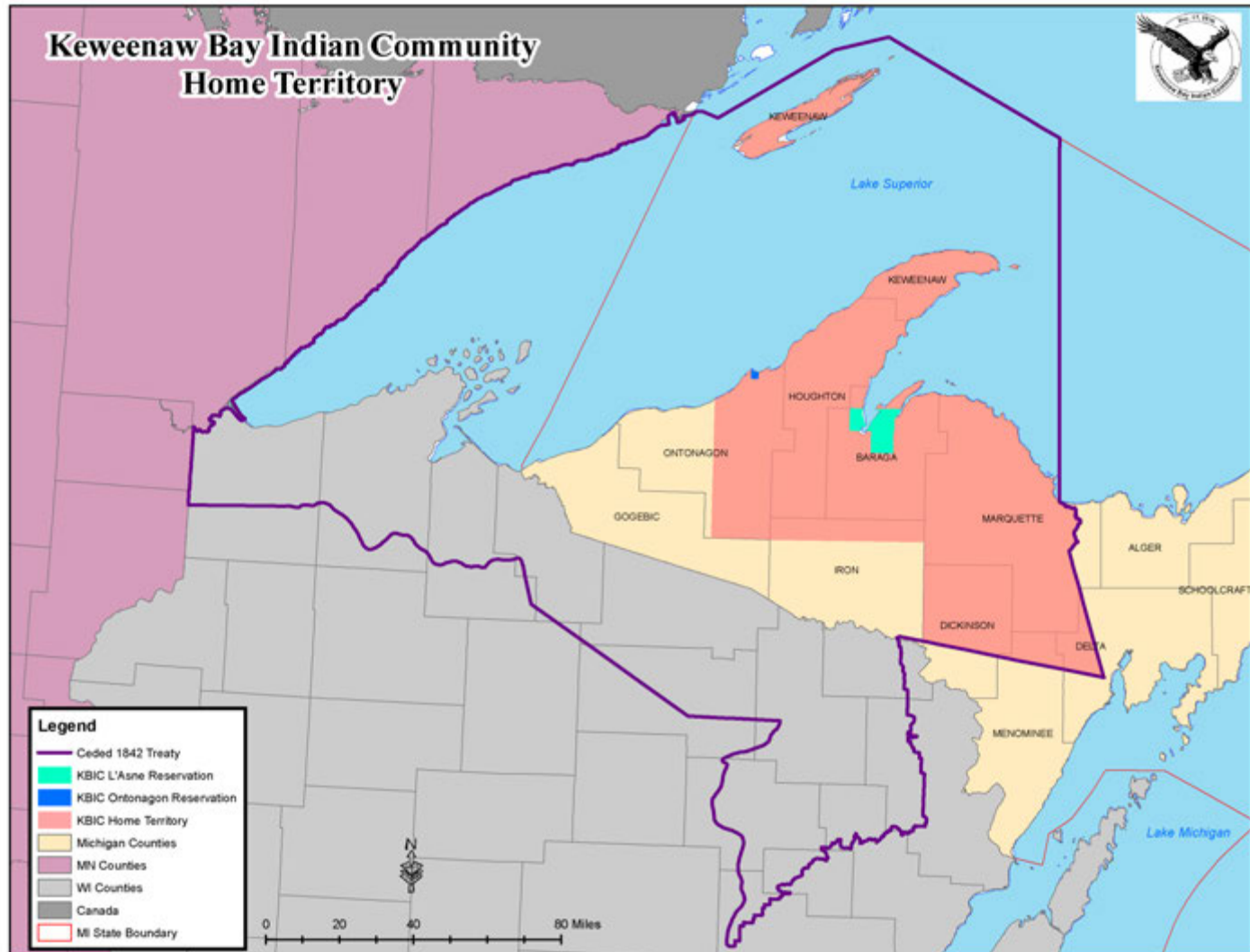


**Geospatial
Research Facility**
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Native American Legacy



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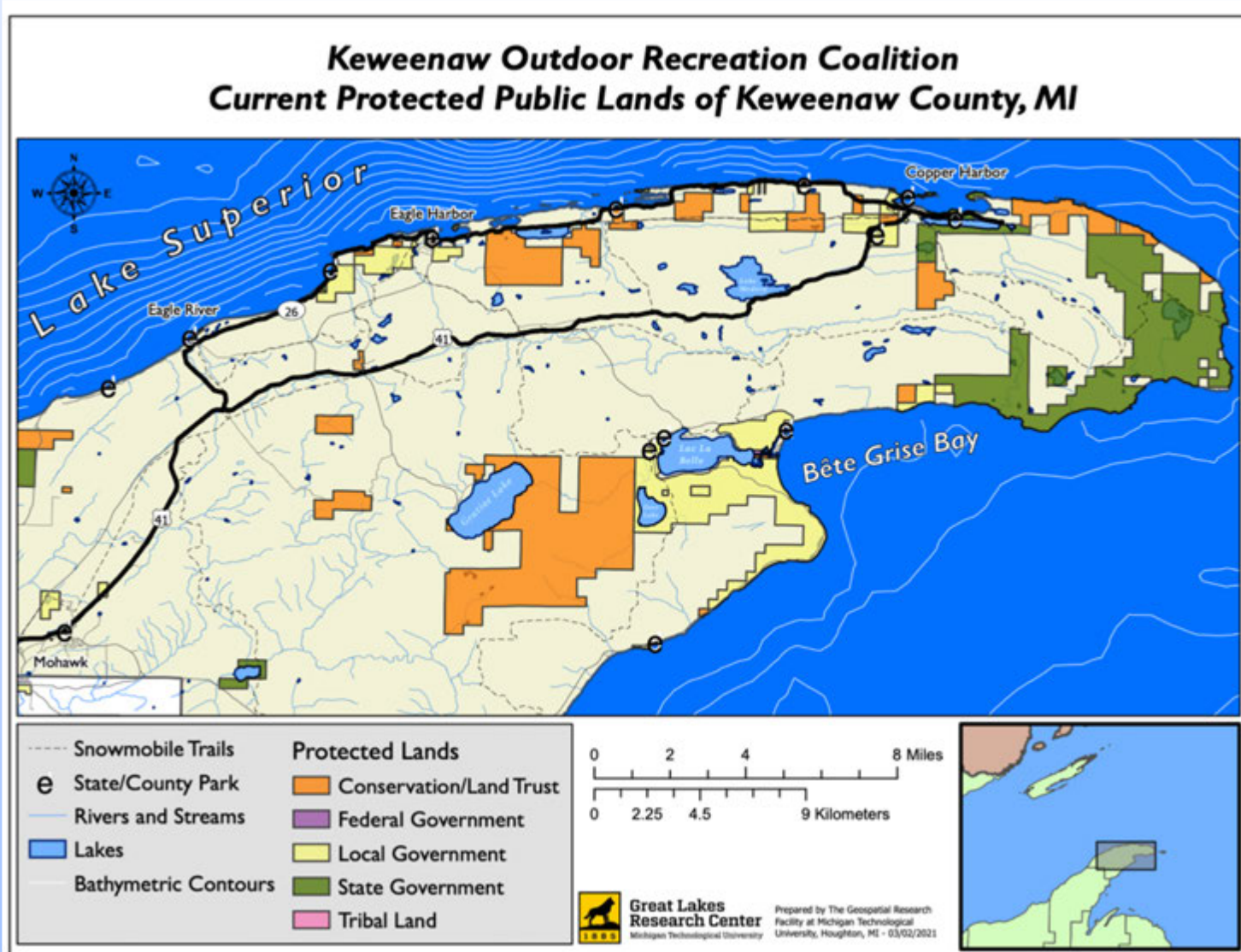


Old photograph of Bannert Farm
courtesy of Frank Carlton

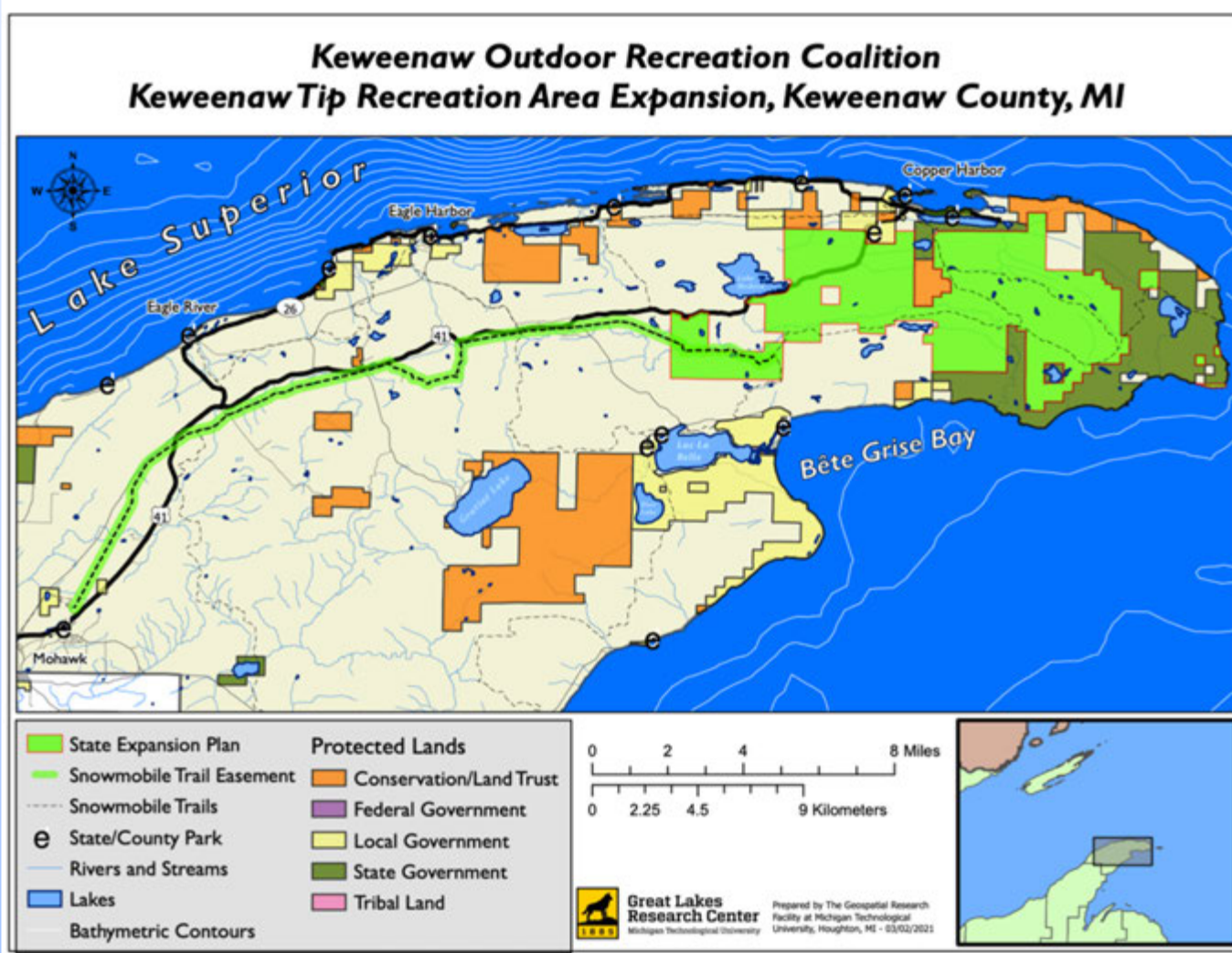
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Protected Land Keweenaw County 2021



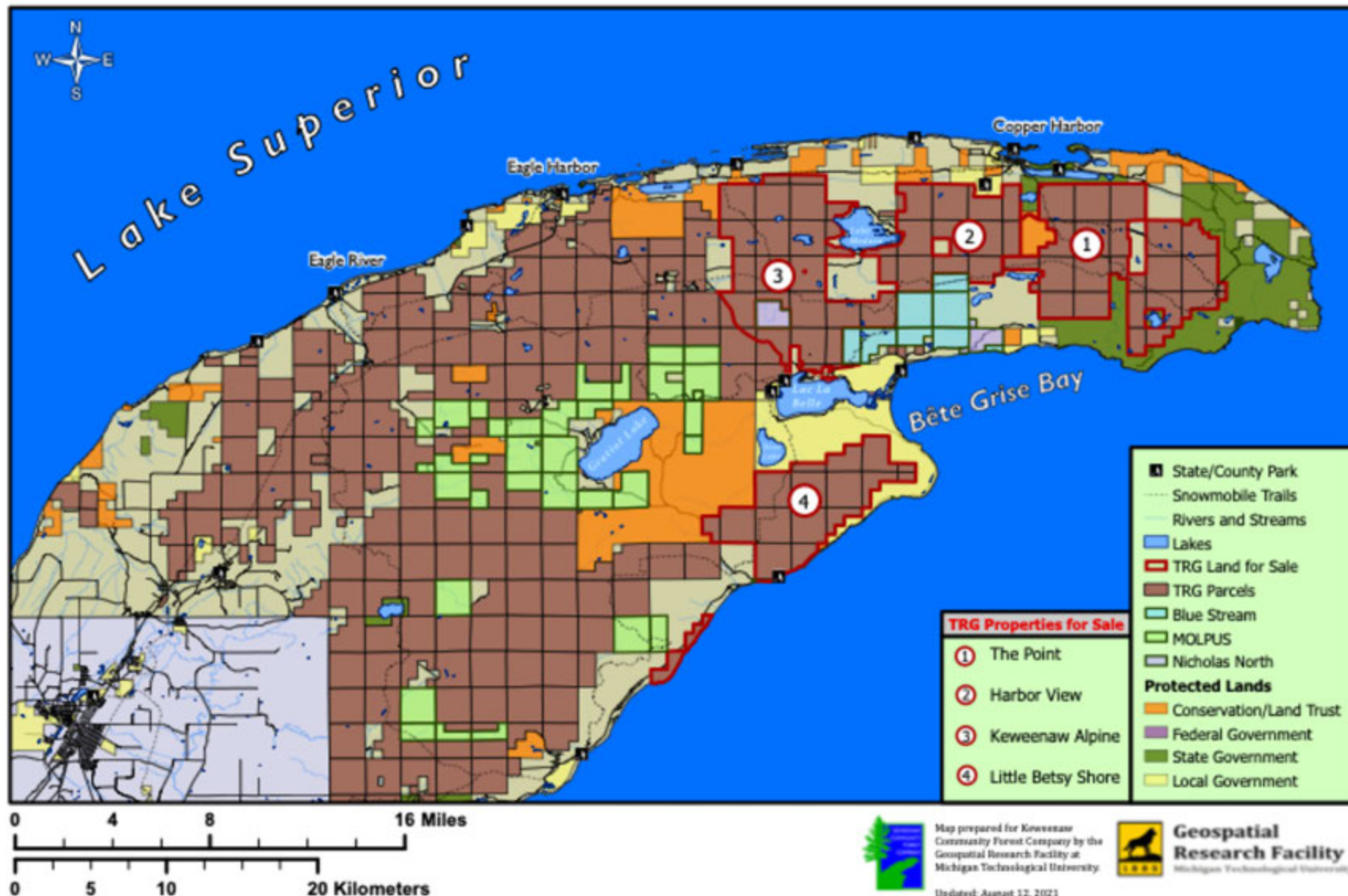
Expanding the Keweenaw Tip Recreation Area





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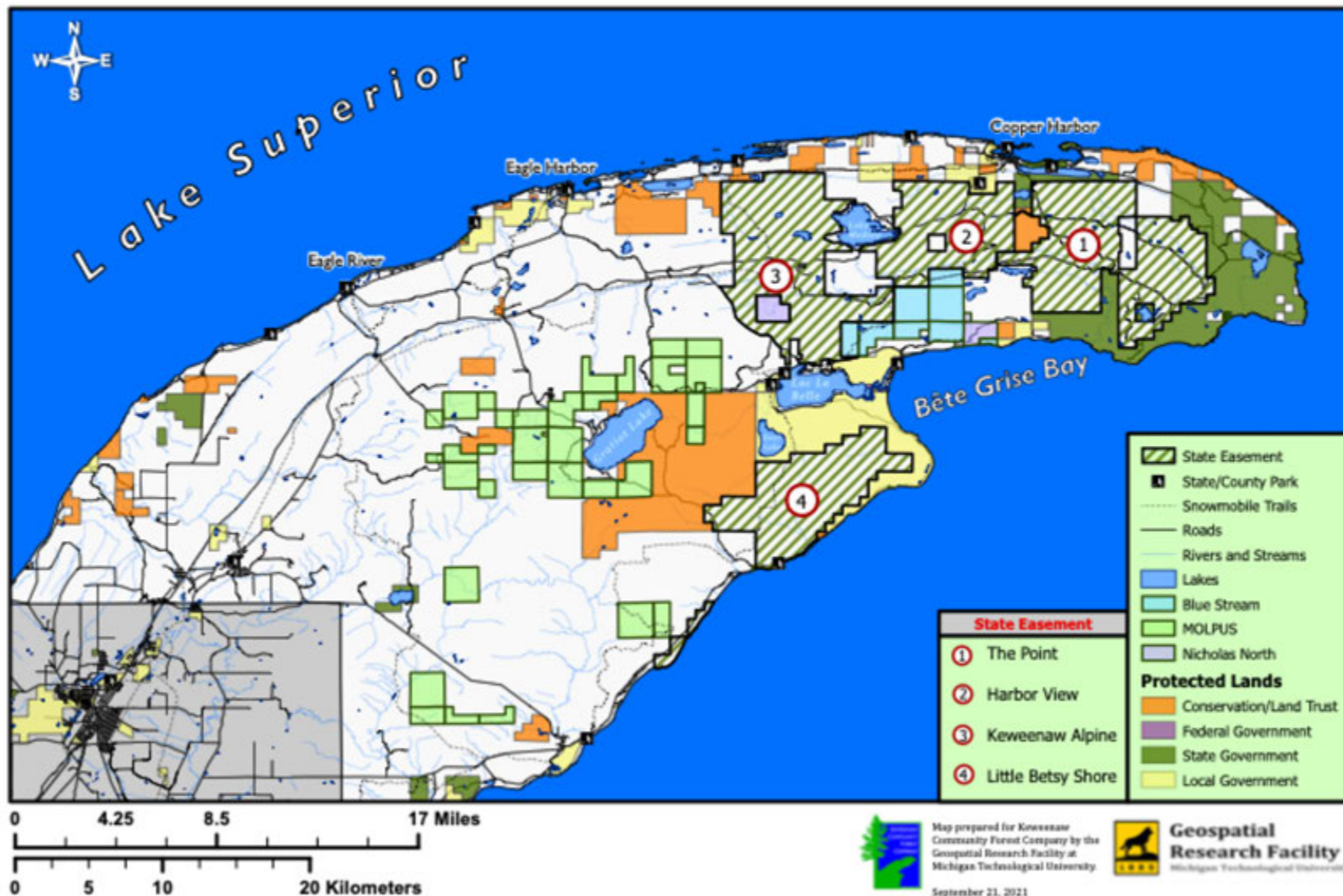
Major Landholders in Keweenaw County, MI





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Phase I Plan, Keweenaw County, MI





































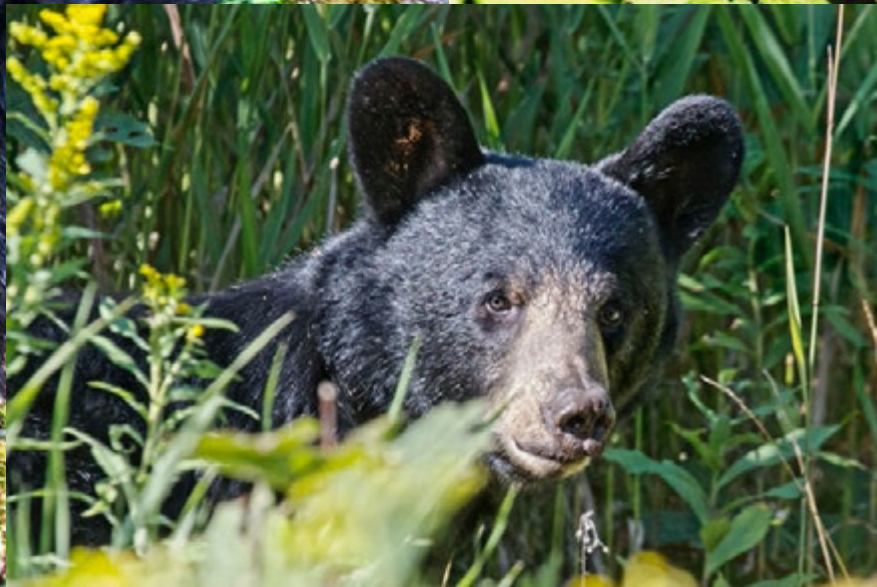




































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