

DNR dollars may go to regional recreation areas

By LEM MESEE

Several popular spots in Oakland, Wayne and Livingston counties will be improved if the state Department of Natural Resources' capital improvement program for southern Michigan is approved by the governor and legislature.

The State Fairgrounds and Detroit River access sites will get the most attention, but there are several other noteworthy items in the \$10.1 million plan.

•Teple Lake in the Highland Recreation Area—\$475,000 for a new beach on the west side of the lake, along with roads and support facilities. Teple already has a popular beach on the east side of the lake.)

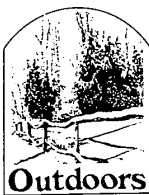
•Maybury Urban State Park, Northville Township—\$316,000 for a day camp, horse stables (for a concession), picnic area additions and field sports. Maybury is one of the best horse trail and bicycling spots on public land that you can find within many hours of here.)

•Proud Lake Recreation Area—\$21,000 for an improved entrance road to the canoe concession. Jack Butterfield in DNR's parks division tells us he's aware of the poor shape of the road to the public access boat landing, but that's the province of the waterways division, which already has many demands on its limited funds.

•Island Lake—\$146,000 for a new entrance road, picnic area and frontier cabins. The entrance from Grand River Avenue will be closed. The new road will come westward from Kensington Road and along Sutherland Road to the south end of the lake. The practice, said Butterfield, is to gravel it for the first year, then pave it when it has been packed down.

•Holly Recreation Area—\$240,000 to complete campground and day use development and construct a storage building.

PTE MOUILLEE, the widow of a marsh at the mouth of the Huron River on Lake Erie, would get a wet-



lands interpretive center for \$500,000 under the same program.

Some are billing it as the "first in the state," but that's not quite so. There is an excellent wetlands nature center and trail operated by the federal government in the upper peninsula—the Seney Wildlife Refuge. But that's 400 miles away. Pte. Mouillee is much closer.

The interpretive center will include ecological and wetlands exhibits as well as laboratories for student groups and an auditorium.

Some—guided and unguided—will be offered.

FUNDING for all of this will come from many sources.

Purchasers of duck stamps will contribute \$300,000.

The friendly federal government is expected to be good for \$4.5 million.

State revenue bond funds could contribute \$400,000. Other state funds, including the general fund, will add about \$3 million.

A seven-week beekeeping workshop for amateurs and hobbyists will begin at the Kensington nature center at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11 until Feb. 22. Each session will last two hours.

Topics will include the life history of the honeybee, beekeeping equipment, hive management, diseases and honey production.

There's no charge for the workshop except park admission. Register in advance by calling the park office.

Hagan named O&E ad chief

Appointment of George J. Hagan as director of advertising and promotion for the 12 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers was announced this week by General Manager John Reddy, who said Hagan will assume his O&E responsibilities Jan. 23.

The 35-year-old Hagan currently is advertising manager for the Macomb Daily in Mount Clemens and succeeds Arthur Langer, who recently resigned as head of O&E advertising sales operations.

Acting director of the department in the interim is Wayne County Advertising Manager Robert Delany.

Hagan joined the Macomb Daily advertising staff as a salesman in 1972 and quickly advanced to become assistant retail manager, then retail manager, and finally advertising director before the end of 1973.

Previously, Hagan had served as advertising manager for the North-west Detroit between 1970 and 1972 and before that was assistant advertising manager for Community Newspapers.

"I've long thought of the Observer & Eccentric group as being very high-class publications and I'm looking forward to joining the organization," said Hagan. "They are used to being number one in the nation in their field and have a staff of many outstanding people. It is a challenge and opportunity I wouldn't want to miss."

Hagan holds bachelor and masters' degrees in fine arts, English and jour-



nalism from the University of Florence in Italy and the University of Sussex in England. Both he and his wife are active participants in the arts in southeastern Michigan, and in 1977 Hagan was chairman of the centennial celebration in Macomb County—one of the most successful in the United States.

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Petition drive windup asked

Michigan's voters are sure to see the question of mandatory minimum prison terms on the November ballot, said Oakland County Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson.

Patterson, the primary spokesman for the "We the Few Committee," a self-styled "volunteer army of citizens waging war on crime," said the committee has nearly raised the necessary 212,000 signatures to put the issue on the ballot.

The prosecutor said the 40,000 petitions circulating throughout the state

should be enough to qualify the issue for the ballot. If the drive is successful, as Patterson predicted, the following question will be placed on the ballot: Should a convicted felon serving a prison sentence serve at least the minimum term imposed by the judge before the prisoner is eligible for parole?

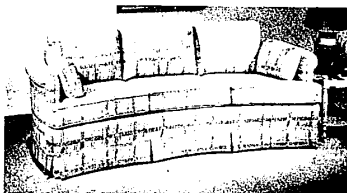
Patterson kicked off the petition drive after the murders of nine Oakland County citizens were murdered, allegedly by men on parole.



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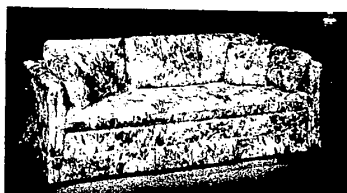
1. See this striking curved back sofa with loose pillows and bolsters. Comes only as 89" sofa, sale priced at \$599 or as 64" loveseat at \$449.



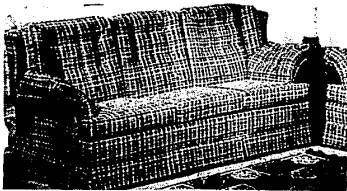
4. An attached one-piece button back highlights this beautiful traditional sofa. Available as a regular 85" full size sofa at \$599, a 74" apartment sofa at \$549 or a 64" loveseat at \$449.



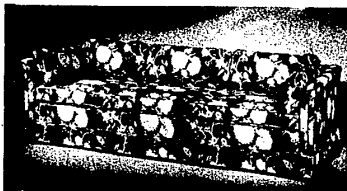
2. This smart traditional sofa is available as an 86" sofa at \$599, a 73" apartment sofa at \$549, a 62" loveseat at \$449 and even a 94" sofa at \$649. Also available is a Full Size sleeper at \$699 and a Queen size at \$699.



5. You'll love this comfy model with the loose pillow back, bolsters and extra pillows. Available as a 35" loveseat sleeper @ \$599, a 69" double sleeper at \$659 and a Queen size sleeper at \$699.



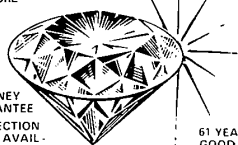
3. This comfortable colonial sofa has pillow arms and a tufted back. It is available as a 86" sofa at \$599, a 60" loveseat at \$499, and a Queen convertible bed at \$699.



6. This tuxedo style sofa will enhance any traditional setting. Pictured is the 84" model, regular \$992 on sale at \$649. Also available is 80" at \$599, 70" at \$549 and a 62" loveseat at \$449. Also available as a sleeper.

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