

DNR Tells Park Plans For Cities

LANSING 76 period to maintain the momentum behind state and local recreational improvements which has been

gained under Michigan's soon-to-be exhausted \$100-million recreation bond program.

The DNR's recommended program, made public recently by Gov. Milliken at the annual conference of the Michigan Recreation and Park Association, is pegged on the conservative side to projections of the "Michigan recreation plan."

That plan indicates it would take \$2.4 billion to meet present leisure-time needs at state, city township, and county levels.

AS OUTLINED under a joint effort of anticipated federal, state, and local cost-sharing, the DNR's five-year program foresees capital outlay expenditures of \$228 million for local improvements and \$141 million for state projects — fisheries, forest recreation, parks, wildlife, and waterways.

As proposed, another \$10 million in state grants would be available to local units on a fund-matching basis to help them program, organize, and provide local leadership for their community recreational facilities.

DNR's program report, submitted to Gov. Milliken pointed out there is a sense of urgency in continuing to fund capital improvements at local levels.

The \$30-million local phase of the recreational bond program is expected to run out of funds this summer and the DNR's five-year plan

proposes to pick up from there. It calls for providing \$9 million in state grants during the 1972-73 fiscal year.

DURING THE FULL five-year period, the DNR is recommending that \$57 million in state grants be made to local communities to help finance recreational developments. As projected by the DNR, those grants would be matched by \$110.1 million in local funding and \$51.2 million in federal aid.

The DNR hopes to answer the most pressing recreational problems of many inner cities under its proposed \$10 million plan of program support for the next five years. In its report to Gov. Milliken, the DNR stressed: "It is not enough to simply provide lands and facilities (for local communities)."

The DNR went on to explain that many cities have developed facilities under the recreation bond program only to find that they face a serious need of assistance to provide leadership and organizational features which will offer full community programming of those facilities.

Under its plan of program support, the DNR is calling for \$1 million in state assistance to local communities during the 1972-73 fiscal year. This new system would be augmented by local cost-sharing.

As planned, its share of state grants would be increased by \$500,000 during each of the following four years to total: \$1.5 million in 1972; \$2 million in 1973; \$2.5 million in 1974; and \$3 million in 1975.

THE DNR'S PLAN to spend \$141 million on state recreation facilities during the next five years draws attention to the fact that these projects are approaching the point of exhausting recreation bond funds allocated to them.

Of the \$141 million sought for these projects of the DNR, about \$22 million would come from the balance of money allotted for such developments under the present bond program.

About \$37 million in federal funds would also help underwrite the DNR's continuation plan for state recreational improvements. Income to the Waterways Commission Fund would provide another \$11 million for the program.

The balance of the program's recommended spending level — \$68 million — would require some other state source of funding.

Over the five-year period, the DNR's proposed expenditures for state projects lines up as follows:

Fisheries—\$23.2 million; forest recreation—\$3.5 million; parks—\$66.2 million; wildlife—\$11.3 million; and waterways—\$36.3 million.



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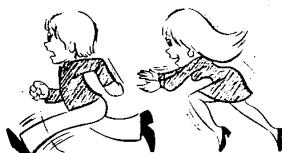
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