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NOTICE OF MASTER PLAN REVIEW

Alpena Area Joint Master Plan — Long Rapids Township and Charter Township of Alpena

Re: Distribution of Draft Alpena Area Joint Master Plan for 63-Day Review

Please be advised that Long Rapids Township and the Charter Township of Alpena have authorized distribution of the draft Alpena Area Joint Master Plan for review and comment. The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) is issuing this notice on their behalf.

The Joint Master Plan addresses future land use, housing, community development, natural resources, transportation, and other planning priorities for Alpena County and eight participating townships. The City of Alpena participated in the planning process but prepared a separate City Master Plan to meet its Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) requirements. The City's plan is already out for review.

Under Section 41 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (Public Act 33 of 2008, as amended), eligible agencies and governmental units have 63 days from receipt of the draft plan to provide comments. This notice begins the review process for Long Rapids Township and the Charter Township of Alpena.

IMPORTANT — ADDITIONAL NOTICES FOR THE SAME PLAN

Seven other participating municipalities have not yet met to authorize distribution: Alpena County, Green Township, Maple Ridge Township, Ossineke Township, Sanborn Township, Wellington Township, and Wilson Township. As each authorizes distribution, you may receive another notice for the same Joint Master Plan. These are separate municipal review notices, not different plans; each municipality has its own review period.

You may review the shared draft once and submit comments identifying the municipality or municipalities to which they apply. You do not need to resubmit identical comments in response to later notices.

The draft Joint Master Plan is available at www.nemcog.org/nemcog-news. For a printed copy or alternative format, please contact NEMCOG. Send written comments toNEMCOG, at hrunyan@nemcog.org or PO Box 457, Gaylord, MI 49734. Please identify the township addressed by your comments.

Thank you for your participation.

This plan was submitted to:

City of Alpena
Charter Township of Alpena
Maple Ridge Township
Long Rapids Township
Wellington Township
Green Township
Ossineke Township
Wilson Township
Sanborn Townhsip
Alpena County
Alpena County Road Commission
Alcona County
Alcona Township
Caledonia Township
Mitchell Township
Oscoda County
Clinton Township
Montmorency County
Rust Township
Hillman Township
Montmorency Township
Village of Hillman
Presque Isle County
Presque Isle Township
Krakow Township
Posen Township
Metz Township
Bismark Township
PIE&G
Lake State Railway
MDOT- North Region
DTE Energy
Alpena Power Company
Thunder Bay Transportation

Sincerely,



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