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Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority
Board of Commissioners Meeting
September 9, 2010, 10:30 a.m.
Lake Erie Metropark, Food Bar

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A Pension Committee meeting will take place **prior** to the September 9 Board meeting at 9:00am at the Marshland Museum with a Health Care Trust meeting immediately following the Pension meeting.

A Pension Committee meeting will take place at 8:30 am **prior** to the regular October 14 Board of Commissioners meeting at the Administrative office with a Health Care Trust meeting immediately following the Pension meeting.

The next regular Board of Commissioners meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at 10:30am, at the Nature Center at Kensington Metropark.



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
From: Gregory Almas, Executive Secretary
Subject: August 12, 2010 Minutes
Date: September 9, 2010

Recommendation: That the Board of Commissioners' approve the minutes for the August 12, 2010 regular meeting as submitted by Executive Secretary Almas and staff.

**PROPOSED MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY
THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Huron-Clinton Board of Commissioners was held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2010 at the Thomas S. Welsh Activity Center at Metro Beach Metropark. The meeting was convened in pursuance to a call thereof by the Executive Secretary and due notice to the HCMA Board of Commissioners.

Present: **Commissioners:** John C. Hertel
 John E. La Belle
 Harry E. Lester
 Robert W. Marans
 Anthony V. Marrocco

Staff Officers:
Director Jayne S. Miller
Deputy Director David C. Moilanen
Controller David L. Wahl
Executive Secretary Gregory J. Almas

Absent: Commissioner Warren C. Evans
 Commissioner Peter S. Walters

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lester at 10:30 am

1. Chairman's Statement

Chairman Lester welcomed all present. He commented regarding rumors and concerns of employees and assured no action will be taken without Board review and approval. Chairman Lester requested employees continue to work together to make the Metroparks the best park agency in the world. Chairman Lester also expressed appreciation for the efforts of Metropark employees to make the Metroparks safe.

2. Public Comments

Norman Muller, resident, expressed appreciation for adjustments made to the fee schedule which will allow continuation of the senior dance program at Metro Beach Metropark.

3. Minutes – July 2010

Executive Secretary Almas read a proposed emendation to the July 8, 2010 Board of Commissioner minutes Item 6, E. Administrative Office, 1. Report – Camping, as follows:

Commissioner Marans suggested that the special camping events should be systematically evaluated to determine those events that generate significant interest. What works well and should be continued and what works poorly and should be modified or discontinued.

It was moved by Commissioner Marrocco, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners approve the minutes for the July 8, 2010 regular meeting as emended.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Financial Statements – July 2010

It was moved by Commissioner Hertel, supported by Commissioner La Belle that the financial statements for July 2010 be approved as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Vouchers

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner Marrocco that the vouchers for July 2010 (0211524 through 0212248) be approved as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Purchases

It was moved by Commissioner Marrocco, supported by Commissioner Hertel that the following purchases for July 2010 be approved as recommended by Purchasing Manager Scott Michael and staff.

ITB-10-032 2011 Annual Permits

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Reports

A. Stony Creek

1. Bids – Main Park road construction – Phase V

Chief Engineer Arens reported the project is to reconstruct approximately 0.6 miles of the main park road from the South Dam to the Eastwood Beach entrance, to include bituminous crushing, shaping, asphalt surfacing, culvert replacement, pavement marking, site restoration, provisions for full-road closure (except access to Boat Launch area) during construction, and related work.

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner Hertel that the Board of Commissioners award Contract No. 509-10Y to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Pro-Line Asphalt Paving Corporation in the amount of \$201,712.43 and that \$38,000.00 of Capital Improvement funds be returned to the Reserve Account as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Change Order No. 2 – Eastwood Beach column and roof repairs

Chief Engineer Arens reported that on March 11, 2010 the Board of Commissioners awarded a contract to repair the roof structure of the Eastwood Beach Bathhouse at Stony Creek and that construction is currently in progress. Arens said changes have been necessary due to conditions encountered during the course of the contract including Change Order No. 1 – pressure grout crack in roof structure, phase 1 previously authorized within the Director's approval limit and proposed Change Order No. 2 including pressure grout crack in roof structure, phase 2, metal trim and flashing, roof skylights, electrical revisions, roof metal flashing and plaza concrete revisions totaling \$36,610.00.

It was moved by Commissioner La Belle, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners approve Change Order No. 2 to contract No. 709-09T in the amount of \$36,610.00 and that a transfer of funds in the amount of \$47,000.00 from the Stony Creek Major Maintenance Account to Work Order No. 709.74-S159 be made to cover change orders to date as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Commissioner La Belle expressed his dislike of approving change orders but said that when necessary, the Authority has stepped forward and financed the cost.

Commissioner Marrocco noted the two change orders equate to 18 per cent above the base contract and that the items should have been picked-up in design before bidding.

Commissioner Lester commented on the frequency of change orders and the fairness to bidders.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Lifeguard recognition

Stony Creek and Wolcott Mill Interim Park Superintendent Michael Lyons reported that on Tuesday, June 29, Stony Creek lifeguards Lindsey Cindrich, Jeff Conn, Drew Matz and Ryan Pinter observed a 20-year-old female having difficulties in the water, immediately responded to the victim, removed her from the water and connected her to an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). The victim was in cardiac arrest and the Lifeguards initiated CPR. A water emergency was declared and the office immediately called Washington Township EMS. Lyons reported the victim has since recovered and was recently released from the hospital.

Lyons said the teamwork exhibited by the Lifeguards and the Washington Township EMS was exceptional. Lyons said that at the scene Washington Township Assistant Fire Chief, John Clark communicated how impressed he was with the excellent job the Lifeguards did in handling this emergency.

Chairman Lester commented on the extraordinary efforts of the lifeguards in saving a human life and expressed sincere appreciation on behalf of the Board of Commissioners and the citizens of southeast Michigan.

The lifeguards were presented with a "Certificate of Appreciation for Exemplary Public Service" by Chairman Lester on behalf of the Board of Commissioners.

B. Kensington

1. Bids – Main Park road reconstruction – Phase IV

Chief Engineer Arens reported the project is to reconstruct approximately 0.4 mile of the main park road from the Park Office to the Buno Road Bridge to include bituminous crushing and shaping, regrading of base material, placement of concrete curb and gutter, asphalt surfacing, crushing, shaping, approximately 3,000 lineal feet of concrete curb and gutter, pavement marking, provisions for partial lane road closure during construction, site restoration and related work.

It was moved by Commissioner Marrocco, supported by Commissioner Hertel that the Board of Commissioners award Contract No. 504-10D to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Florence Cement Company in the amount of \$190,805.25 and that \$55,000.00 of Capital Improvement funds be returned to the Reserve Account as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Motion carried unanimously

2. Bids – Hike/Bike Trail pedestrian bridge painting and steel repairs

Chief Engineer Arens reported the project is to clean, prepare surface and coat the existing 10-foot wide by 150-foot long steel pedestrian truss bridge; provide minor steel repairs, protective measures and related work.

It was moved by Commissioner Hertel, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners award Contract No. 704-10G to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Seaway Painting, LLC in the amount of \$179,600.00 as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Report – MDOT storm water detention basin, I-96 and Kent Lake Road

Chief Engineer Arens reported that design of the proposed I-96 storm water detention basin near Kent Lake Road by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is nearing completion, that the proposed detention basin will be constructed on approximately five acres of Metropark land located east of the Kent Lake Road interchange, that ownership of the detention basin will be transferred to the Metroparks and that MDOT will continue to have primary responsibility to maintain and repair the project including care and maintenance of native plants, vegetative control and periodic cleaning of the basin as necessary. Arens said the Metroparks will retain the right to provide maintenance of the detention basin as it deems necessary.

It was moved by Commissioner Hertel, supported by Commissioner La Belle that the Board of Commissioners receive and file this report as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Without objection, Commissioner Marrocco offered an amendment to the motion that the agreement between the Authority and MDOT would require MDOT to provide 100 percent of all maintenance of the detention basin.

Motion as amended carried unanimously.

4. Proposal – LEED certification, Golf Starter Building replacement

Chief Engineer Arens reported that the Golf Starter building project is designed to achieve at least a “certified” level under the criteria of the LEED v.3 rating system of the U.S. Green Buildings Council (USGBC). Arens presented a proposal dated July 28, 2010 from Lindhout Associates for the additional services necessary to obtain certification.

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner Marrocco that the Board of Commissioners decline the proposal from Lindhout Associates Inc. dated July 28, 2010 in the amount of \$19,580.00 to provide LEED certification services as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Commissioner Marans said he understood the financial cost and that the Golf Starter building is not the most significant building. However, he encouraged LEED certification on a future building of significance to demonstrate the Authority’s commitment to resource conservation.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Dexter-Huron

1. River Terrace Trail Agreement, proposed terms

Chief Planner Nyquist reported on the proposed 1.42 mile River Terrace trail connecting the village of Dexter to Dexter-Huron Metropark which would be constructed on Metropark property. Nyquist presented a list of proposed key terms for a future inter-governmental agreement between HCMA and the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission (WCPRC) including: WCPRC to fund development, including design and construction; WCPRC and HCMA to fund future projects for minor repair on a 50-50 basis; WCPRC and HCMA to fund future projects for major repair on a 50-50 basis; HCMA to operate, patrol and provide regular maintenance on the trail, costs to be shared on a 50-50 basis; HCMA and WCPRC to indemnify the other party for losses, claims or damages; and WCPRC to maintain the necessary insurance.

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner Hertel that the Board of Commissioners approve the key terms of an agreement with Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission for the development of a non-motorized paved trail in Dexter-Huron Metropark as recommended by Chief Planner Nyquist and staff.

Without objection, Commissioner La Belle offered an amendment to the motion that the WCPRC be commended for their collaborative efforts in the region to bring the Border-to-Border trail to fruition.

Motion as amended carried unanimously.

D. Lower Huron

1. Bids – Main Park road resurfacing

Chief Engineer Arens reported the project is to resurface approximately 1.1 miles of the main park road to include asphalt resurfacing of the park entrance road from Waltz Road to Savage Road, microsurfacing from Savage Road toward the Bob White area, provide shoulder widening, signage replacement and provide microsurfacing of approximately 0.2 miles of hike/bike trail at the Waltz Road entrance.

It was moved by Commissioner Marrocco, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners award Contract No. 506-10S to the low responsive, responsible bidder, Pro-Line Asphalt Paving Corporation in the amount of \$217,326.78 and that \$18,000.00 be transferred from the Reserve Account as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Administrative Office

1. Bids – Road and Hike/Bike Trail pavement crack filling, various parks

Chief Engineer Arens reported the project is to include overband crack sealing of the park roadway throughout Kensington, Lake Erie, Lower Huron and Stony Creek Metroparks; and to provide hot-applied crack filling along the hike/bike trail at Lower Huron Metropark. Arens noted the project was bid on a unit price basis per pound of joint sealant, with a total contract amount equal to the total proposed amount for contract services of \$42,000 for all parks combined.

It was moved by Commissioner Hertel, supported by Commissioner Marrocco that the Board of Commissioners award Contract No. 700-10H to the low responsive, responsible bidder, Wenn Seal Coating and Striping, Inc. in the amount of \$42,000.00 as recommended Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. 2011 Tax Levy report

Controller Wahl reported the final 2010 Taxable Value figures used for the calculation of the Metropark's 2011 tax revenues have been received from the county treasurer's offices. Wahl said under the Headlee Tax Limitation formula the Authority will again levy .2146 mills for 2011 which will produce anticipated gross tax revenue of \$32,525,452. Wahl reported that considering estimated tax write-offs for tax abatement programs of \$1,177,000 the anticipated 2011 "net" tax revenues of \$31,348,451 is a decline of \$3,245,940 (9.4 percent) from 2010 and the largest tax revenue decline the Authority has experienced.

It was moved by Commissioner La Belle, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners approve 1) the attached 2010 Tax Rate Request forms and 2) the inclusion of "net" tax revenues of \$31,348,451 in the 2011 Budget as recommended by Controller Wahl and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. HCMA 457 Deferred Compensation Plan and Trust Restatement

Controller Wahl reported the Authority has a Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plan and that voluntary employee contributions are currently limited to "base" wages. Wahl said discussions were held with the HCMA Employee Association units and P.O.A.M. representatives and it was felt that a broader definition of eligible compensation to include all forms of compensation would allow employees greater flexibility in funding a portion of their retirement income.

It was moved by Commissioner Hertel, supported by Commissioner La Belle that the Board of Commissioners approve the restated Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority Section 457 Deferred Compensation Trust Agreement with Resolution as presented and recommended by Controller Wahl and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Liquor Licenses for Metro Beach, Stony Creek and Indian Springs

Deputy Director Moilanen reported that staff and attorney John Carlin have reviewed liquor control practices across the Metroparks system and are requesting approval from the Board on a series of changes in order to meet the MLCC regulations. Moilanen stated that to allow alcohol at the Welsh Activity Center at Metro Beach, the event room at the Environmental Discovery Center at Indian Springs and the banquet tent at Stony Creek liquor licenses are

required and that alcohol may only be sold through the Authority (concessionaires), rather than the current practice of permitting renters to bring in their own alcohol.

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner Hertel that the Board of Commissioners authorize staff to proceed with 1) upgrading the Metroparks' current liquor license to a Class "C" liquor license at Indian Springs to permit the sale of hard liquor and extending liquor sales to the Environmental Discovery Center, 2) upgrading the Metroparks' current liquor license to a Class "C" liquor license at Stony Creek to permit the sale of hard liquor and extending liquor sales to the Banquet Tent, and 3) the purchase of a class "C" liquor license for the Thomas Welsh Activity Center at Metro Beach for \$40,000 from reserves as recommended by Deputy Director Moilanen and staff.

Commissioner Marans requested a future report analyzing any changes in rental use and numbers.

Commissioner Marocco inquired why the license could not be purchased from Harrison Township especially considering the Authority's past cooperative relations with the Township. Moilanen said Harrison Township intends to hold the one available license for private development.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Hertel, La Belle, Lester, Marans
Voting No: Commissioner Marocco
Absent: Commissioners Walters and Evans

Motion carried.

5. Sustainability Report

Chief of Natural Resources Muelle reported members of the Sustainability Work Team have been actively soliciting ideas from fellow employees and gathering information from various organizations on sustainable practices. Muelle said the information is being compiled and prioritized to develop and institute a long-term comprehensive sustainability program. Areas being explored are sustainable design, material management, energy conservation, new technology, green purchasing, natural resource management, communication, financial tracking and urban community support. Muelle reported the Metroparks also continue to move forward in the area of material management, storm water management plans, pollution incident prevention plans and spill prevention control programs. Muelle also said in-house recycling efforts continue to expand, along with mowing reductions, green purchasing and habitat restoration efforts.

It was moved by Commissioner Hertel, supported by Commissioner Marocco that the Board of Commissioners receive and file this report as recommended by Chief of Natural Resources Muelle and staff.

Without objection, Commissioner Marans offered an amendment to the motion that a comprehensive system of reporting be developed to record cost savings and improved environmental impact.

Motion as amended carried unanimously.

6. Deer Management Report

Chief of Natural Resources Paul Muelle reported deer management activities continued in the fall of 2009 and winter of 2010 at seven Metroparks: Kensington, Stony Creek, Indian Springs, Hudson Mills, Oakwoods, Lower Huron and Willow and a total of 220 deer were removed. Muelle stated Metropark staff continues to work with Safari Club International at Indian Springs and volunteers at Stony Creek to conduct the controlled hunts and again this year, Butcher Boy Meats and Sportsmen Against Hunger donated all costs associated with processing the deer.

It was moved by Commissioner Marocco, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners receive and file this report as recommended by Chief of Natural Resources Muelle and staff.

Commissioner Lester noted the increasing deer herd at Lake Erie Metropark.

Commissioner Hertel complimented the sophistication and care in which staff carried out the deer management plant

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Medicare Part D Subsidy

Human Resources Officer Johnstone reported that HCMA received a payment of \$15,336.14 as reimbursement for Medicare Part D, prescription drug subsidy for the period of January-March, 2010.

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner La Belle that the Board of Commissioners approve the transfer of \$15,336.14 to the Retiree Health Care Trust Fund as recommended by Human Resources Officer Johnstone and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Donations

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner Marrocco that the following donations be accepted and that a letter of appreciation be sent to the donors.

- A \$300 bench donation made by Mr. Morris Beider for use at the Indian Springs Golf Course.
- A \$300 bench donation made by Tod More for use the original Disc Golf Course at Hudson Mills.
- A \$350 bench donation made by James Tritt for use at the Cove Point picnic area at Lake Erie.
- A \$400 bench donation made by Carolyn McCloud for use at the Nature Center at Kensington.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Legislative report

It was moved by Commissioner Marrocco, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the legislative report as submitted by Legislative Consultant Carr.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Park/Department Presentation

a. Human Resources

Human Resources Officer Johnstone presented a review of the Human Resources Department's responsibilities including employee relations, labor contract negotiations and administration, benefit design and administration, workers compensation, unemployment compensation employment law and safety.

It was moved by Commissioner La Belle, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Human Resources department presentation.

Commissioner Lester inquired into and expressed the importance of employee participation and involvement.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Metro Beach Metropark Presentation

Park Superintendent Pershing presented a report regarding services, amenities, events and capital improvements at Metro Beach Metropark including in part, interpretative services, ice fishing, swimming pool and beach, marina, miniature golf, hike/bike trails, court games, boat launch ramps, activity center, DSO concerts, car shows, recently completed South Marina, par-three golf course shelter and more.

Commissioner Marrocco inquired as to the status of lifeguards at the Stony Creek beach and the beach at Metro Beach.

Commissioner Marrocco also favorably observed the very diverse demographics of Metro Beach Metropark users.

It was moved by Commissioner Marans, supported by Commissioner Marrocco that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Metro Beach Metropark presentation.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Director's comments

Director Miller stated that the South Marina dedication will immediately follow the Board of Commissioners meeting, that the NRPA conference will be October 25 – 29 and that attendance of at least one commissioner is encouraged to attend sessions on accreditation, that the Board of Commissioners retreat is scheduled on August 31, 2010 from 12:00p.m. – 4:00p.m., that the fall equipment auction will be held October 11 at the Wolcott Mill Farm and that the October 2010 Waterways Commission meeting will be held at Metro Beach Metropark.

10. Commissioners' comments

Commissioner Hertel stated that he would be unable to attend the August 31 retreat. He commented that Michigan is the only state in the nation without a State Fair and that the Metroparks passed up a gigantic opportunity.

Commissioner Hertel also observed that with the election of a new governor and with new MDNRE leadership there may be the opportunity to remove the sand bar at Metro Beach. He requested that staff contact appropriate federal government agencies to see what government funding may be available, that if available, an application for funding be made and that the Metroparks request MDNRE support for the project.

Commissioner Hertel further requested that the Metroparks advertise that Metro Beach has eight boat launch ramps available with no waiting.

Commissioner La Belle stated he would like to see the Board retreat rescheduled so that all Commissioners could attend considering the possible long-term effects resulting from the meeting.

There was a consensus of the Board to reschedule the Board of Commissioners Retreat.

Commissioner Marans requested a report on the status of lifeguards at Metropark beaches.

11. Motion to Adjourn

It was moved by Commissioner Marrocco, supported by Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners adjourn the regular meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory J. Almas
Executive Secretary



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
 From: Michael Arens, Chief Engineer
 Subject: Contract Agreement
 Project Title: MDOT Storm Water Detention Basin
 Location: Kensington Metropark, Oakland County
 Date: September 9, 2010

As reported to the Board of Commissioners on August 12, 2010, design of the I-96 storm water detention basin near Kent Lake Road by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is nearing completion. The project is intended to address drainage and erosion problems on Metropark land caused by excessive storm water flow originating from the I-96 right-of-way. The project is mutually beneficial to MDOT and the Metroparks. It will improve storm water quality, enhance and restore native habitat and harmonize with surrounding natural areas in the park. The proposed detention basin will be constructed on approximately five acres of Metropark land located approximately 2,900 feet east of the Kent Lake Road interchange. MDOT will design, construct and fund the project.

Ownership of the detention basin will be transferred to the Metroparks after completion of construction. MDOT will continue to have responsibility to maintain and repair the project after completion, including care and maintenance of native plants, vegetative control, periodic cleaning of the basin as necessary, and insuring that the project will function in accordance with its design intent. In the event that MDOT fails to properly maintain the project, the Metroparks will have the right to perform maintenance and bill MDOT for its costs. The Metroparks will also have the right to provide maintenance or improvements above the agreed-upon level of maintenance as it deems necessary.

A contract agreement has been drafted to address the mutual responsibilities of MDOT and the Metroparks and is attached. MDOT's standard form of temporary construction agreement will also be needed for construction access onto the project site, to be executed separately from this contract agreement.

MDOT will construct the project in combination with its project to repair four bridges on the I-96 highway, design of which is also nearing completion at this time. This project is scheduled to be bid in the fall of 2010, and construction is scheduled to begin next year. MDOT's current construction cost estimate for the detention basin project is \$750,000.

Recommendation: That the Board of Commissioners approve the attached contract agreement and authorize the Director to execute subordinate agreements related to this project, including temporary construction easement, as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.

SPECIAL TRUNKLINE
CONSTRUCTION

DAB
Control Section BHI 63022
Job No. 79783A
Contract 10-5634

THIS CONTRACT is made and entered into this date of _____, by and between the MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT", and HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY, hereinafter referred to as the "HCMA"; for the purpose of fixing the rights and obligations of the parties in agreeing to the creation, operation, and maintenance of a new Kent Lake Detention Basin within Kensington Metropark in the vicinity of Highway I-96, station 91+00 (Approximately 2,900 feet east of the Kent Lake Road overpass) including design, construction, and maintenance, hereinafter referred to as the "PROJECT"; together with necessary related work; all within Oakland County.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT and the HCMA acknowledge that I-96 stormwater is eroding the HCMA property in the vicinity of the outlet; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a detention basin should be developed in order to adequately attenuate the flows from the trunkline; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the detention basin should be under the ownership of the HCMA; and

WHEREAS, the HCMA and the DEPARTMENT have approved the PROJECT concept and agree to design the PROJECT which will accept all waters from those portions of the Highway within the natural drainage pattern; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have reached an understanding with each other regarding the performance of the PROJECT work and desire to set forth this understanding in the form of a written agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual undertakings of the parties and in conformity with applicable law, it is agreed:

1. The parties shall undertake and complete the PROJECT in accordance with this Contract.

2. The DEPARTMENT will administer all phases of the PROJECT and will cause to be performed all the PROJECT work. The performance of the PROJECT work will be subject to the following conditions:

- A. The HCMA will approve the design intent of the PROJECT and shall accept full responsibility for the constructed PROJECT functioning as a part of the HCMA'S facilities. The HCMA is solely responsible for any input which it provides as it relates to the design of the PROJECT functioning as part of the HCMA'S facilities.

- B. The HCMA agrees to accept without interruption all drainage from the PROJECT following construction at no additional cost to the DEPARTMENT. However, during construction, the DEPARTMENT shall employ proper soil and sedimentation controls for the PROJECT.
- C. The DEPARTMENT shall provide all construction engineering and inspection necessary for the PROJECT; however, the HCMA or its representative may, at the HCMA's expense, and at any time, be provided with access to the PROJECT for inspection.
- D. After the completion of the PROJECT by the DEPARTMENT, the DEPARTMENT AND THE HCMA together shall perform an inspection of the PROJECT to verify compliance of the completed work with the standards and requirements of the HCMA, prior to the HCMA'S acceptance of the PROJECT.
- E. The DEPARTMENT shall allow the HCMA, or its representative unlimited access to the PROJECT and to all drainage facilities located on DEPARTMENT right of way in the vicinity of the PROJECT.

3. All costs required for completion of the PROJECT work will be paid by agencies of the federal government and the DEPARTMENT with no costs chargeable to the HCMA. However, any and all costs for any future development shall be paid by the HCMA.

4. The financial participation by the DEPARTMENT, in the joint storm sewer portion of the PROJECT, being based on benefits in the form of adequate storm drain outlet for parts of the trunkline highways, shall entitle the DEPARTMENT to continuous and uninterrupted use of the joint storm sewer constructed as the PROJECT and the outlets therefrom, and no action shall be taken by the HCMA at any time which would interfere with or restrict the ability of the PROJECT or the outlets therefrom to handle the DEPARTMENT'S drainage requirements.

5. The PROJECT shall be maintained by the DEPARTMENT in a manner appropriate to assure its function in accordance with its original design intent, using best management practices and the DEPARTMENT's applicable maintenance performance guidelines. Maintenance activity shall include land-side litter pickup.

The DEPARTMENT shall inspect the PROJECT annually to determine the need for potential maintenance actions, such as sedimentation removal and off-site disposal, erosion mitigation, and vegetation repairs. At the time of inspection, needed maintenance activities will be identified and a schedule for their completion will be determined and furnished in writing to HCMA. In the event the DEPARTMENT fails to perform maintenance as so identified and scheduled, HCMA may perform said maintenance and bill the DEPARTMENT for HCMA's costs; provided, however, that HCMA shall furnish the DEPARTMENT with 30 days advance written notice of said failure to perform maintenance and shall advise the DEPARTMENT of HCMA's intent; and provided that said billing shall contain sufficient supporting detail of HCMA's maintenance activities performed. HCMA shall have the right to perform maintenance of the PROJECT to a standard higher than stipulated herein at HCMA's cost. HCMA shall not perform maintenance on any portion of the PROJECT not located on HCMA's property. HCMA shall not

alter the PROJECT in any way that prevents it from performing in accordance with its original design intent.

6. The HCMA will assume full responsibility for limiting its drainage waters entering the PROJECT to surface runoff. The HCMA will assume full responsibility and liability for any pollution resulting from the discharge of such drainage waters into the PROJECT and will conform to any and all statutes or regulations relative thereto.

The DEPARTMENT and/or the HCMA are responsible for the discharge from any connections they permit to the storm sewer system to protect water quality in the waters of the State. If the DEPARTMENT and/or HCMA discover the potential of any illicit connections that may impact the discharge of the storm sewer system, each party will immediately notify the other and the Department of Natural Resources and Environment or any state or federal agency responsible for the water quality. For illicit connections on HCMA property and outside the DEPARTMENT'S right-of-way, the HCMA by authority of its ordinances shall have the illicit connections immediately removed as permissible by statute.

7. No additional persons, private or public corporations, state and local governmental agencies will be permitted to utilize the PROJECT without an evaluation and approval in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations by the HCMA and DEPARTMENT of the maintenance obligations set forth herein.

8. This Contract is not intended to increase or decrease either party's liability, or immunity from tort claims.

9. In connection with the performance of PROJECT work under this Contract the parties hereto (hereinafter in Appendix "A" referred to as the "contractor") agree to comply with the State of Michigan provisions for "Prohibition of Discrimination in State Contracts", as set forth in Appendix "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof. The parties further covenant that they will comply with the Civil Rights Acts of 1964, being P.L. 88-352, 78 Stat. 241, as amended, being Title 42 U.S.C. Sections 1971, 1975a-1975d and 2000a - 2000h-6 and the Regulations of the Department of Transportation (49 C.F.R. Part 21) issued pursuant to said Act, including Appendix "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof, and will require similar covenants on the part of contractor or subcontractor employed in the performance of this Contract.

HCMA will agree to authorize the construction of the PROJECT by MDOT on HCMA land under the terms of a separate temporary grading permit, which will be authorized contemporaneously with this Contract.

HCMA will agree to authorize access to the PROJECT by MDOT and/or its contractor to perform maintenance as stipulated herein under a separate maintenance access agreement, which will be authorized contemporaneously with this Contract.

10. This Contract shall become binding on the parties hereto and of full force and effect upon the signing thereof by the duly authorized officials for the HCMA and for the DEPARTMENT; upon the adoption of a resolution approving said contract and authorizing the signatures thereto of the respective officials of the HCMA, a certified copy of which resolution shall be attached to this contract; and with approval by the State Administrative Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be executed the day and year first above written.

HURON-CLINTON
METROPOLITIAN AUTHORITY

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION

By _____
Harry E. Lester
Title: Chairman

By _____
Department Director, MDOT

By _____
Anthony V. Marrocco
Title: Secretary



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
 From: Michael Arens, Chief Engineer
 Subject: Cost Participation
 Project Title: U.S. Geological Survey Water Resources Gauging Stations
 Location: Stony Creek and Kensington Metroparks
 Date: September 9, 2010

The Authority has participated in a cooperative water resources information program with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) for a number of years. The Authority currently participates in the funding of four gauging stations and three water level recorders at the locations shown below. The total cost is shared with the USGS, which operates and maintains the equipment, while MDEQ coordinates program funding. For the 2010-2011 program years, the USGS's proposed cost share amounts for the Authority are as itemized below.

<u>Station</u>	<u>Type of Recorder</u>	<u>Cost Share</u>
Huron River near Milford	Gauging Station	\$11,000.00
Huron River near New Hudson	Gauging Station	\$11,000.00
Stony Creek near Washington	Gauging Station	\$11,000.00
Stony Creek near Romeo	Gauging Station	\$11,000.00
W. Branch Stony Cr. @ Washington Rd.	High-Flow Partial Recorder	\$2,100.00
Kent Lake near New Hudson	Water Level Recorder	\$4,250.00
Stony Lake near Washington	Water Level Recorder	<u>\$4,250.00</u>
Total		\$54,600.00

The total cost of operating four gauging stations and three recorders for the one-year period, October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 will be \$54,600.00. This cost represents a 2 percent increase over the 2009-2010 funding of \$53,360. The cost increase is due to general cost increases in the statewide water resources monitoring program for 2011. The information this program provides is important for our management of the Stony Lake and Kent Lake impoundments. It also supports the water resource management efforts of other agencies in the Clinton River and Huron River watersheds.

Recommended Participation	\$54,600.00
Budget Amount	\$58,000.00

Recommendation: That the Board of Commissioners continue cost participation with the U.S. Geological Survey on the gauging stations and recorders for the period of October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011 in the amount of \$54,600.00 as recommended by Chief Engineer Arens and staff.



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
From: David C. Moilanen, Deputy Director
Subject: Liquor license documents authorization resolution
Location: Metro Beach, Stony Creek, Indian Springs
Date: September 9, 2010

Currently, all documents required by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission pertaining to various liquor licenses held by HCMA may be signed and executed by David C. Moilanen, deputy Director or Gregory J. Almas, Executive Secretary. We are requesting that the Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution authorizing that Director Jayne S. Miller be added as an executor of any of these documents.

Recommendation: That the Board of Commissioners approve the Authorization Resolution permitting Director Jayne S. Miller to execute any and all documents required by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission that pertain to the various liquor licenses of the HCMA as recommended by Deputy Director David Moilanen and staff.

HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the duly appointed and qualified Board of Commissioners of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, a public body corporate, established pursuant to and in accordance with Act 147 of the Public Acts of 1939 (MCLA 119.51 et seq.), duly held on the _____ day of _____, 2010, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that Jayne S. Miller, Director and/or David C. Moilanen, Deputy Director and/or Gregory J. Almas, Executive Secretary of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, and our attorneys, John B. Carlin, Jr., Scott D. Edwards, Michael J. Brown and/or J. Patrick Howe, are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents required by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, and to receive the license/s in lieu of being mailed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this _____ day of September, 2010.

Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority

By: _____
Gregory J. Almas
Its: Executive Secretary



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
From: William Johnstone, Human Resources Officer
Subject: Medicare Part D Subsidy
Date: September 9, 2010

The Authority received a payment of \$14,868.21 as reimbursement for Medicare Part D, prescription drug subsidy for the period of October – December 2009. The total "Gross Retiree Cost" for this period was \$86,240.58, making the reimbursement 17.24 percent of this cost. This payment brings the total reimbursement for 2009 to \$67,795.71.

As the Board of Commissioner's may recall as part of HCMA's effort to pre-fund retiree health care benefits; any funds received under Medicare Part D subsidy are to be transferred to the Retiree Health Trust. This is in accordance with actions taken by the Board in June 2005.

Recommendation: That the Board of Commissioners approve the transfer of \$14,868.21 to the Retiree Health Care Trust Fund as recommended by Human Resource Officer Johnstone and staff.



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
From: William Johnstone, Human Resources Officer
Subject: 2010 Health Risk Assessment Contract
Date: September 9, 2010

The Authority requested bids for the organization's Annual Health Risk Assessment program for 2010 from the University of Michigan M-Fit Division, C eridian, and Visiting Nurses Association.

The University of Michigan M-Fit Division was the lowest responsive, responsible bid received at \$10,865. Furthermore the University of Michigan has been providing HCMA with this service for several years and has gained the confidence of our employees in handling personal health information as well as having developed a historical database for comparative purposes.

Attachment:

1. Wellness Cost Proposal Comparison

Recommendation: That the Board of Commissioners award the 2010 Health Risk Assessment contract to the University of Michigan M-Fit Division as recommended by Human Resources Officer Johnstone and staff.

Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority 2010 Wellness Proposal Comparison

Estimated Participation (based upon 2009 figures):

Total Participants:	218
Total per Test	
Total & HDL	49
Total & HDL plus Glucose	12
Full Lipid plus Glucose	154
Colon Cancer	32
PSA	76
Total Time (hours)	17
Paper HRA	139
Online HRA	79

	<u>M-Fit</u>	<u>Visiting Nurses Association</u>	<u>Ceridian</u>
<u>Services & Costs:</u>			
<u>Health Risk Appraisal</u>			
Paper	\$16.00	\$30.00	\$14.00
Online	\$5.00	Not Offered	\$7.60
<u>Health Screening</u>			
Total & HDL Cholesterol	\$12.00	\$25.00	\$50.00
Total & HDL Cholesterol plus Glucose	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$50.00
Full Lipid Profile plus Glucose	\$19.00	\$28.00	\$50.00
	<i>Includes blood pressure, height & weight measurement</i>	<i>Includes blood pressure & BMI</i>	<i>Includes blood pressure & BMI</i>
<u>Other Screening Options</u>			
Colon Cancer Screening Kit	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$4.80
Prostate-Specific Antigen Test	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$46.80
<u>Staffing & Coordination Fees</u>			
Health Screening Staff (fees per hour)	\$27.00	Included	Included
Phlebotomy Staff (fees per hour)	\$28.00	Included	Included
Coordination Fee	\$1,525.00	Included	\$1,250.00
Total Estimated Costs:	\$10,865	\$11,783	\$18,257

Notes:

1. VNA services include biohazard waste removal and marketing and event promotion. Requires a minimum of 20 people per site or 75% of client projected participation.



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
From: David Moilanen, Deputy Director
Subject: June Donations (4)
Date: September 9, 2010

The following donations were received through August 31, 2010:

- A \$200 donation made by Diane and Gary Robinson for use at the Marshlands Museum at Lake Erie.
- A \$400 bench donation made by Elaine O'Neill Ritzenling for use at the Kensington Nature Center.
- A \$480 donation made by Gerri Barr and Dennis Hackett to be used for Fishing programs and Family Fun Day at the Kensington Nature Center.
- A \$1000 donation made by Robert W. Wolf & Company for planting trees along the no. 7 fairway at the golf course at Kensington.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Commissioners formally accept the above donations and a letter of appreciation be sent to the donors as recommended by Deputy Director Moilanen and staff.



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
 From: Jayne Miller, Director
 Subject: Metroparks Strategic Planning Project
 Date: September 9, 2010

In May 2009, The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority contracted with Hammond and Associates for the development of a strategic plan for the organization. In development of a strategic plan, the Board and staff have been engaged to develop and provide clarification on a) the organization's mission and vision; b) the critical issues affecting the future direction of the Metroparks; c) a strategic direction and strategic program and service priorities over the next ten years; d) a better understanding of the funding environment effecting the future of the Metroparks; and e) consensus around priorities, goals and objectives for the organization.

Between May and August 2009 strategic issues for the organization were identified through a series of meetings with the Board and senior staff. The strategic planning process, however, was halted in August 2009, to be restarted when a new Director was hired. In April 2010, under the leadership of a new Director, the Metroparks reengaged Hammond and Associates to complete this strategic planning process. At this time, a steering committee was created to work through the remaining phases of the project with Hammond and Associates. The steering committee is comprised of employees representing a cross-section of the organization and the board. It is anticipated that by the end of October 2010 the strategic plan will be fully developed.

The original contract for this project with Hammond and Associates was for \$20,000. With more active staff involvement through the steering committee than originally contemplated, the consultant's scope of work to complete this project has expanded. As a result, I am requesting an additional \$16,250 to complete this project. It should be noted that the consultant's have reduced their hourly rate to \$150 per hour (from \$200 per hour) in an effort to keep our costs down.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Commissioners authorize the additional allocation of \$16,250 for Hammond and Associates to complete the Strategic Planning Project from the Authority's Reserve for Future Contingencies.

GEORGE M. CARR, P.C.

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September 2, 2010

Mr. Harry Lester, Chairman
Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority
13000 High Ridge Drive
Brighton, Michigan 48114-9058

Dear Chairman Lester:

The Primary Elections are over and the party conventions have completed their nominations. The validity and status of one segment of the "Tea Party" is in question having been denied access to the ballot by the State Board of Canvassers and is under appeal to the Michigan Supreme Court. Justice Alton Davis from Grayling is the newest member of the Michigan Supreme Court having been appointed by Governor Granholm to replace retiring Justice Weaver. This gives the high court a solid Democratic majority at least through the end of the year.

The Legislature will return to Lansing and begin full scheduled sessions on September 14th. The state budget is due October 1st and there appears to be increasing resolve to complete the budget on schedule. Additional federal funds for Medicaid and K-12 education have helped to soften the impending cuts required to balance the budget.

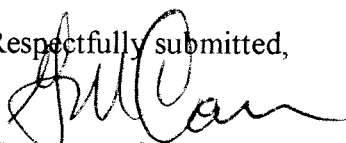
With both chambers scheduled to be out of session for all of October only seven session days are currently scheduled for the "lame duck" session. This week was the official end of new bill requests so any legislation not in process will require a leadership priority for drafting. This is done to help limit the last minute introduction of bills at the very end of session.

Since both Speaker Dillon and Majority Leader Bishop lost their campaigns for higher office the lame duck schedule and agenda are now in serious question. What was initially assumed to be a very short and limited agenda could well turn into a wide and drawn out late year session. Any legislation not acted upon this session dies and requires reintroduction in the new 2011-12 session next year. This is the most dangerous time in Lansing as issues literally "pop-up" without notice in both chambers.

The race for Governor will also play a major role in the lame duck agenda. If Snyder wins there will be a great deal of pressure to wait until his administration to address major issues. Should Bernero win many expect an attempt to push a wide range of Democratic priorities yet this year.

In each case, we will be working to assure positive outcomes for the Authority.

Respectfully submitted,



George M. Carr



HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY AUGUST MONTHLY REPORT FOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SEPTEMBER 9, 2010

Director's Comments

- The Director has been invited by Mayor David Bing to be involved in the Detroit Strategic Framework Project to develop a strategy for the city of Detroit. The Metroparks will be a member of the Interagency Working Group which along with the Advisory Task Force will be anchors for this project. The Interagency Working Group includes city of Detroit staff as well as more than 40 other individuals from various organizations, including Detroit Public Schools, SEMCOG, Detroit Housing Commission, Detroit Land Bank. The upcoming meeting of the Interagency Working Group will be held on September 16.
- Follow up on suggestion to promote Metro Beach boat launches: The Metroparks boat launches are on the Take Me Fishing and MDNRE websites, the two most popular fishing websites. In addition, the boat launch information is in our Labor Day news release, it has been added to the showcase on the Metroparks website, and Metro Beach put the information in their Best Bet area on the park page of the website. Additionally, it is important to note the following about the boaters desires for launching: The DNR has two boat launch sites, each within three miles of Metro Beach. The DNR S. River Road boat launch has capacity for 18 boats to launch at the same time (ingoing or outgoing). It's a big launch with immediate access to the lake. The other DNR launch is smaller, can handle six boats. Most boaters prefer the DNR site with immediate access to the lake. To use Metro Beach launches boaters have to travel the "no wake" zone, so it takes about 20 minutes to get to Lake St. Clair, a real disadvantage – most boaters want to get on lake quickly. The advantage of Metro Beach is that it is a "multi-use" park and picnic area. Boaters will come to Metro Beach when the DNR site reaches capacity. Boaters also use Metro Beach to go in and out to dock and use the picnic area (DNR launches don't offer these options). In addition, families use Metro Beach if one member wants to fish and other members want to use the park.

Metro Beach – Jim Pershing

- The second of three planned Antique & Collectible shows was held August 7. Unfortunately, there was no improvement in the number of vendors from the first show. According to the promoters, the vendors that were at the show did well, although it was disappointing for visitors that came to the show because it was so small. While the promoters paid HCMA their contractual percentage, they were unable to show a profit, actually losing money. The third show has been cancelled.
- Zumba on the Beach was held on August 21 with approximately 80 people participating and with as many spectators.
- The first annual "Walk the Walk" 5K wellness walk sponsored by the Foundation for Wellness Professionals was held on August 28.
- The annual Voyageur Encampment took place the weekend of August 28 - 29.
- Retired Metro Beach Police Officer Joe Sharp passed away on August 22. Sharp started the "Blast from the Past" Car Show that began in 1998. Sharp continued to run the event, even during retirement. The car show currently draws more than 500 show vehicles.

Lower Huron, Willow, Oakwood and Lake Erie –

Richard Sobecki

- Turtle Cove has topped 100,000 visitors for the year. The previous high of 98,500 was set in the first year of operation in 2008.
- Contractors completed removal of all the Lake Erie playground structures; leveled the Marina Point pier; and placed a second comfort station at the Lake Erie Golf Course (utilities still need to be connected).
- Work is underway at the new shelter in the Woods creek picnic area.
- Wood Duck Dash was held at Lake Erie on the August 14 with more than 300 participating.
- Triumph Church held their picnic in the Woods creek picnic area with more than 2,000 attending.
- The 8th Annual “Cruizin the Park” car show took place the weekend of August 27-29 with more than 400 display vehicles and 300 vendors.

Kensington –

Kim Jarvis

- The Detroit Rescue Mission Ministry held a five-day horseback riding trail camp at the group camp/horse staging area.
- The 10th Annual Colonial Kensington was held August 14 -15 at North Martindale. There were more than 2,000 visitors to the historic encampment and reenactment which represents 1700 – 1796.
- The annual Huron River Clean-Up Day was on August 21 for its 23rd year.
- Three golf tournaments were held: Men's Qualifier, Parent & Child, and Men's Championship.

Hudson Mills, Indian Springs and Huron Meadows –

Nancy Schaible

- Hudson Mills hosted the Disc Golf Great Lakes Open on August 7-8, with 244 and 247 players each day respectively.
- The annual Huron River Clean-Up Day was held on August 14 with 14 volunteers.
- The “Rustic Family Camping Weekend” held August 20 – 22 had five groups registered and an additional five groups were redirected from Stony Creek Metropark after the storm. There were a total of 10 groups with 37 participants.
- Environmental Discovery Center hosted seven weddings.

Stony Creek, Wolcott Mill –

Mike Lyons

- On Thursday, August 19, an isolated storm with extreme high winds struck Stony Creek Metropark. The storm left more than 500 fallen, up-rooted and sheared-off trees. The power was out in the park for several days and the park had to be closed for several hours to allow maintenance staff to remove hanging limbs and trees to make the park safe for the public. The maintenance staff along with the Natural Resource Crew has done an extraordinary job with the park clean-up. Employees from Metro Beach and Hudson Mills also provided assistance for the clean-up. It will take several more weeks for the park to be totally cleaned-up.
- The rustic family camping weekend scheduled for August 20 – 22 was cancelled due to the lack of power and working restrooms in the park that resulted from the storm.
- The 39th Annual Stony Creek Distance Run was held on August 5 with approximately 200 participants.
- The As Is Band played to a crowd of around 500 people on August 6 to close out the Friday evening concert series for the season.

Stony Creek, Wolcott Mill (con't)–

- The Banquet Tent hosted seven events during the month which included six wedding receptions and a company picnic. Other events held in the park during the month were two baptisms, two charity walk/runs and a mountain bike race.
- Eastwood Beach was closed for swimming for one day due to an elevated E. coli reading.
- Wolcott Mill Golf Course held their Annual Two Person Senior Scramble on August 16.

Interpretive Services –

Mike George

- August Summaries

Program totals	708
Program totals (persons)	20,228
Facility visitors	123,630
Monthly total use	143,858
Monthly total use (YTD)	1,185,041
Monthly volunteer hours	2,418

Kensington Farm Center

- “Farmer for a Day” continued to be popular event and once again filled to capacity.

Stony Creek Nature Center

- Eighteen dedicated volunteers gave 33 hours of their time during the month to care and feed the animals.

Wolcott Mill Farm Center

- “Meet an Animal” programs were well attended.
- The 9th Annual Julie Palajha Memorial Run was held at the Farm on August 19 with approximately 140 runners and a crowd of more than 150 spectators.
- Farm staff represented the Metroparks at the Armada Fair and at the Huron Pointe Sportsman Club’s Heritage Days.

Oakwoods Nature Center

- The annual “Fishing Fun Camp” was well attended.
- The Nature Center offered canoe tours on weekends throughout the month.
- The August 11 “Perseid Meteor Shower” program was well attended.
- The final two sessions of the “Friday Night Summer Series” were held during the month.

Lake Erie Marshlands Museum and Nature Center

- The Wet ‘n’ Wild Cart was the biggest program of the month with 1,200 visitors.
- More than 35 museum volunteers attended the volunteer picnic.
- The last dig of the “Archaeology Saturday” season took place on August 21.

Metro Beach Nature Center

- The Nature Center averaged 200 people per day, with weekends averaging 800-1,000 people per day.
- Summer Discovery Cruises dominated the first part of the month with 46 cruises and 1,084 people attending. Extra cruise days were added for this popular program.
- The Annual Voyageur Encampment was a great success again this year.

Interpretive Services (con't) –

Mobile Learning Center

- Staff went to preschool centers three days during the month and spent one day at a summer camp in Woodhaven.
- Staff attended the “ National Night Out” event organized through the Detroit Police Department - Central District and a kid’s day event at MacRay Harbor in Harrison Township.
- Staff also attended the Heritage Festival in Ypsilanti, on the August 21.

Hudson Mills Activity Center

- The "Kids in Creek" program was a successful addition to the family programs.

Indian Springs Environmental Discovery Center

- Exchange students from Japan took water quality tests here to compare with their studies in Japan. The students were part of the Michigan Signa Summer Environmental Studies Program.

Human Resources –

Bill Johnstone

- Mike Walters, a Grounds Maintenance worker at Stony Creek retired on August 6 after 25 years of service.
- Staff attended a seminar on Health Care Reform. The immediate impact for the organization from this legislation which begins January 1, 2011 will be:
 - The Authority must offer coverage to dependents up to 26 years of age regardless of education, residence or financial status. Additionally, the organization will have to suspend the requirement that employees pay \$25 per pay period for dependents ages 23-25 years-old beginning in 2011.
 - The Authority must remove the lifetime dollar limits on claims.
 - The Authority must provide preventative care at 100 percent with no dollar limitations.
- The major impact of the new Health Care Reform bill will take effect January 1, 2014 since it involves providing medical coverage for part-time employees. The details of this part of the regulation are still being developed and therefore how this will impact the organization is uncertain at this time.
- Total employee count

Location	Full-Time	Provisional	Seasonal	Total	Percent
Admin Office	46	7	-	53	4.9%
Hudson Mills	34	125	16	175	16.3%
Kensington	49	84	53	186	17.3%
Lake Erie	16	54	57	127	11.8%
Lower Huron	31	68	129	228	21.2%
Metro Beach	20	23	105	148	13.8%
Stony Creek	32	83	41	156	14.5%
TOTAL	228	444	401	1,073	100.0%

Information Systems –

Nolan Clark

- There were many T1 issues during the month. A T&T, Paytech and US Signal all had problems the last full week of August. Hudson Mills Warehouse, Willow Golf course, Wolcott Golf course, and Huron Meadows golf course were all affected.

Information Systems (con't) –

- The servers and point of sale computers at golf courses are continuing to show their age. Staff has added memory to the Stony Creek golf server and the server at Willow golf course lost its power supply, causing Willow to be completely without point of sale until the Information Systems staff could redirect the courses point of sale activity back to the replication server at the Administrative office.

Community Relations –

Jack Liang

- Met with University of Michigan art professor, Michael Rodemer and Metroparks staff to discuss the start of his University class of art in the Metroparks. Rodemer's class is filled at 20 participants with a wait list for the fall semester. We visited Kensington and Indian Springs to consider possible projects, as well as potential sites for art displays.

Planning –

Sue Nyquist

- Staff continues to work closely with Lindhout (architects) and the engineering staff on the building design and site plan for the Kensington Golf Course building.
- Plans for the Kensington/Milford Connecting Trail are being finalized with engineering staff.
- Staff prepared a draft for an inter-governmental agreement for the design, construction and future maintenance of a trail connecting the village of Dexter to Dexter-Huron Metropark.
- Construction activity is underway at the Lake Erie playground redevelopment site. Staff is assisting with construction supervision.

Engineering –

Mike Arens

Metro Beach

- The aboveground storage tank (AST) to be installed at the Service Area has been shipped and is being prepared for placement. Placement and connection of the AST, asphalt pavement and groundwater sampling/monitoring well construction is to take place in the next week or so. Staff will be consolidating the closures of the recent confirmed UST release, and the former release dating back to the early 1990s.
- Lighting System Energy Retrofit project at the Park Office and Service Building is in progress.

Stony Creek

- A preconstruction meeting on the Entrance Road Paving project is scheduled for September 1. Work will begin later in the month.
- A design progress meeting was held on August 26 regarding the water and sewer projects. Bid documents for the sewer pipe relining project are being finalized and will be out for bids in the upcoming days and a September 23 bid opening is planned. The water system project will take a separate track for a bid opening later in the fall.

Kensington

- Staff is preparing bid documents for replacing the existing roof at the Farm Center Barn and Classroom with a new metal roof. This project is unbudgeted; however, staff has concluded that work must proceed as soon as possible to replace the existing, deteriorated roof and to minimize further damage of underlying roof structure.
- A preconstruction meeting for the Main Park Road Resurfacing project will be held September 7. Work will be scheduled to begin shortly thereafter.

Engineering (con't) –

Kensington

- Work has begun on the Water System Improvement project at Orchard Comfort Station. Directional drilling of the new water line will take place this week

Hudson Mills

- Work on the Activity Center Parking Lot Expansion project is nearing completion.

Lake Erie

- Work on the Golf Course Comfort Station project is largely complete, with asphalt paving, topsoil and seeding, and connection by DTE remaining to be completed.
- Work on the Playground Renovation project is in progress. Earthwork and site construction are in progress.

Natural Resources –

Paul Muelle

- Staff is removing invasive barberry in the Lower Huron floodplain, and applying herbicide to newly identified areas of Black swallowwort and Oriental bittersweet throughout Indian Springs, Huron Meadows and Kensington Metroparks.
- Work continues with staff and the Sustainability Work Team on the collection and prioritization of sustainability issues and environmental compliance concerns.
- Pollution prevention plans which are required by state and federal agencies as well as Phase II storm water reporting requirements continue to be developed.
- Staff continues to finalize recommendations for HCMA high quality natural areas to be included in the state of Michigan's Biodiversity Stewardship Area program.
- Eighteen volunteers removed invasive shrubs at Hudson Mills Metropark during the month.
- Staff continues to meet with Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development, MDNRE Fisheries Division, Wayne State University and the Clinton River Watershed Council, to further the discussion on a plan of action for the partner organizations in the EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant for restoration of the marsh at Metro Beach Metropark.
- Staff continues coordinating the second phase of the 2008 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) grant for phragmites control at Metro Beach.
- The Natural Resource Crew has been busy responding to the recent storm damage at Stony Creek Metropark.

Purchasing –

Scott Michael

- Purchase orders issued through June 2010

	MAA	SWM	MVR	RHS	JRS	GJA	Grand Total
Jan	\$19,176.50	\$176,455.41	\$146,527.70	\$419,188.42	\$291.40	None	\$761,639.43
Feb	\$341,693.57	\$23,426.46	\$65,921.95	\$183,988.60	\$180,425.47	None	\$795,456.05
Mar	\$625,434.80	\$49,116.54	\$51,583.56	\$106,743.03	\$3,872.06	None	\$836,749.99
Apr	\$718,993.75	\$156,728.04	\$74,840.01	\$123,840.95	\$21,767.80	None	\$1,096,170.55
May	\$31,473.74	\$40,359.58	\$41,080.54	\$43,418.76	\$12,800.33	None	\$169,132.95
June	\$656,953.60	\$44,730.06	\$99,021.51	\$8,523.30	\$15,661.37	\$25,600	\$850,498.84
July	\$108,030.00	\$27,027.98	\$8,836.05	\$14,874.88	\$1,523.95	None	\$160,292.86
Aug	\$838,144.46	\$47,530.42	\$24,085.63	\$33,191.19	\$29,339.54	None	\$972,291.24

MAA – Mike Arens, SWM – Scott Michaels, MVR – Maria vanrooijen, RHS – Ron Smith, JRS – Jan Schlitters, GJA – Greg Almas

Communications –

Denise Semion

- Please see separate marketing update

Police Department –

George Phifer

- Total police department count

	Number of “Assist Other Agency” Runs for Aug 2010	YTD 2010	Aug 2009	YTD Aug 2009	Aug 2008	YTD Aug 2008
Eastern District	7	47	14	59	13	62
Western District	8	35	11	48	9	81
Southern District	1	15	1	25	1	30
TOTAL	16	97	26	132	23	173

- August Police Operations Report

CALLS FOR SERVICE	DISTRICT			TOTALS			
	EAST	WEST	SOUTH	MONTH	2010 YTD	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
ALARMS/OPEN BUILDINGS	5	38	8	51	295	555	867
ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	18	23	34
ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES	7	8	1	16	97	132	173
BREAKING AND ENTERING	0	0	0	0	1	8	4
CONSERVATION	6	1	9	16	122	91	90
MDOP (Mal. Dest. Of Property)	7	1	0	8	55	63	60
NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	0	0	1	1	18	22	19
LARCENY	4	2	5	11	75	90	71
MOTORIST ASSIST	39	57	22	118	575	564	572
OWI	1	0	0	1	5	7	10
PUBLIC INJURY	16	8	9	33	177	177	183
VIOLATION OF PARK RULES	25	69	81	175	1,113	668	465
SEXUAL ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	1	4	1
STOLEN/REC. VEHICLES	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
TRAFFIC ACCIDENT	1	3	3	7	56	62	54
WEAPONS	0	0	0	0	2	1	1
INDECENT EXPOSURE	3	0	1	4	8	6	5
WARRANTS SERVED	0	0	1	1	6	13	13
OTHER MISD. TRAFFIC	1	1	3	5	30	30	43
FOUND/LOST PROPERTY	2	10	17	29	137	100	86
MISCELLANEOUS	56	154	98	308	1,718	845	713
TOTALS	173	352	259	784	4,510	3,462	3,464

Police Department (con't) –

PATROL:	DISTRICT			TOTALS			
	EAST	WEST	SOUTH	MONTH	2010 YTD	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
AUTO MILES	18,234	21,390	16,139	55,763	366,824	399,449	415,607
OTHER MILES	0	640	1,703	2,343	8,675	14,707	2,914
BOAT HOURS	68	60	0	128	444	581	464
CYCLE/CART HOURS	118	444	348	910	3,542	5,395	6,307
BICYCLE HOURS	64	26	8	98	428	165	511
MOUNTED HOURS	0	24	0	24	78	52	616
0							

ENFORCEMENT:	DISTRICT			TOTALS			
	EAST	WEST	SOUTH	MONTH	2010 YTD	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	24	14	3	41	240	342	400
MISDEMEANOR CITATIONS	9	4	3	16	105	121	146
MARINA CITATIONS	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
TOLLGATE ENVELOPES	1	230	41	272	2,981	4,545	4,168
IN-CUSTODY ARRESTS	4	0	1	5	22	34	52
ARREST/BOND/CITATION	2	3	3	8	47	40	13
WARNINGS - WRITTEN	13	33	70	116	791	641	726
WARNINGS – ORAL	365	197	137	699	3,615	3,220	3,776
JUVENILES DETAINED	1	0	0	1	3	34	39

OTHER:	DISTRICT			TOTALS			
	EAST	WEST	SOUTH	MONTH	2010 YTD	2009 YTD	2008 YTD
TRAINING HOURS	152	96	83	331	933	946	1,813
COLLATERAL DUTY HOURS	0	411	384	795	6,906	7,112	7,050
PUBLIC RELATIONS DETAILS	0	1	0	1	1	14	21
FEEES COLLECTED	0	2,191	325	2,516	49,107	43,365	35,862
CITIZEN COMPLAINTS	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
CALLS FOR SERVICE	173	352	259	784	4,510	3,462	3,464

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Sum of Cost			
Activity Type	Activity	Park (8XX)	Total
News Release	Antique and Collectable Expo	Metro Beach	
	Disc Golf	Hudson Mills	
	Colonial Kensington	Kensington	
	Monster Truck	Willow	
	Senior Appreciation Day	Hudson Mills Huron Meadows Indian Springs Kensington Lake Erie Metro Beach Stony Creek Willow Wolcott Mill	
	Family Camping	Hudson Mills	
	Wood Duck Dash	Lake Erie	
	Voyageur Encampment	Metro Beach	
	Golf Parent/Child & Men's Tournaments	Kensington	
	Golf Sr. Tournament	Wolcott Mill	
	Interpretive Events August	Hudson Mills Indian Springs Kensington Lake Erie Metro Beach Oakwoods Stony Creek Wolcott Mill	
	Marina Dedication	Metro Beach	
	Cruisin' the Park	Lower Huron	
	Storm damage	Stony Creek	
	Some facilities still closed at Stony Creek Metropark	Stony Creek	
	Stony Creek closed until noon	Stony Creek	
	Stony Creek camping cancelled	Stony Creek	
	Stony Creek still closed	Stony Creek	
	Stony Creek reopens	Stony Creek	
	Families ready for Rustic Camping	Stony Creek	
News Release Total			
Advertising	Golf Coupon - Valpak coupon sent to 100,000 homes near the golf courses	Hudson Mills	212.50
		Huron Meadows	212.50
		Indian Springs	212.50
		Kensington	212.50
		Lake Erie	212.50
		Stony Creek	212.50
		Willow	212.50
		Wolcott Mill	212.50
Advertising Total			1,700.00
e-Mail	More than 3,300 cards entered from "enter to win" promotion. Collected 180 addresses the website. From the parks: MB-1,000, SC & WM-4,000, K-1,200, HM et al-600, LH et al & LE-700, AO-123.	AO	
	Social Media and Email/Web Consulting - Fluency Media	AO	11,700.00
e-Mail Total			11,700.00
Miscellaneous	Photography	AO	1,275.00
	Press Service Reading Fee	AO	275.00
Miscellaneous Total			1,550.00

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news story	Colonial Kensington	Kensington	
	Marina Dedication - FOX-2, WXYZ-TV, Macomb Daily stories	Metro Beach	
	Denise Semion talked about Kensington on FOX-2 morning show during "Milford Memories"	Kensington	
news story Total			
Print Materials	Printed Flyers	Lake Erie	
	Super Golf Day Posters	AO	
	Fall Newsletter - mass mailing fee	AO	2,493.56
Print Materials Total			2,493.56
Website	Web hosting, maintenance and SEO	AO	140.00
	2600 fans on Facebook, increase of 100 fans	AO	
Website Total			140.00
Interpretive	Mobile Learning Center: National Night Out, Detroit Police Central District. Distributed Metropark and Interpretive Center brochures, fliers, maps and newsletters. Encouraged visitors to sign up for e-mail list.	Kensington	
	Mobile Learning Center: Distributed Metropark brochures, newsletters, maps and Mobile Learning Center program information to teachers and camp leaders during visits to schools and summer camps.	Kensington	
	Promote Fall Festival, encourage people to join email list	Kensington	
	Farm interpreter judged an event at the Howell Fair, and distributed information	Kensington	
	Mobile Learning Center: MacRay Harbor, Kids Day event. Distributed information and encouraged visitors to sign up for e-mail list.	Kensington	
	Mobile Learning Center: Southfield Parks and Rec., Pioneer Days. Distributed information and encouraged visitors to sign up for e-mail list.	Kensington	
Interpretive Total			
Grand Total			17,583.56

**COUPONS REDEEMED AT PARKS
AUGUST 2010 TALLY**

	HCMA DAILY \$4 off	CARL'S GOLFLAND	GOLF SHOW	Spring Direct mail card	Fall Direct Mail	Detroit News/Free Press/O&E Fall	PUNCH CARD	COUPON BOOK FREE CART	B-DAY	COURTESY VOLUNTEER PASS	HCMA Web	Free League	Valpak	OTHER	OTHER
WM		16	1				50		21				18		
SC	816	76	18				66		19				205		
IS	593	87	14				165		16				109		
K	1205	134	83				110		65			4	71		
H MDWS	3	83	55				130		35			13	224		
HM	3	31	17				46		20				101		
WILLOW	13	56	27				103		7				57		
LE	7	30	49				62		6			4	67		
TOTALS	2,640	513	264	0	0	0	732	0	189	0	0	21	852	0	0

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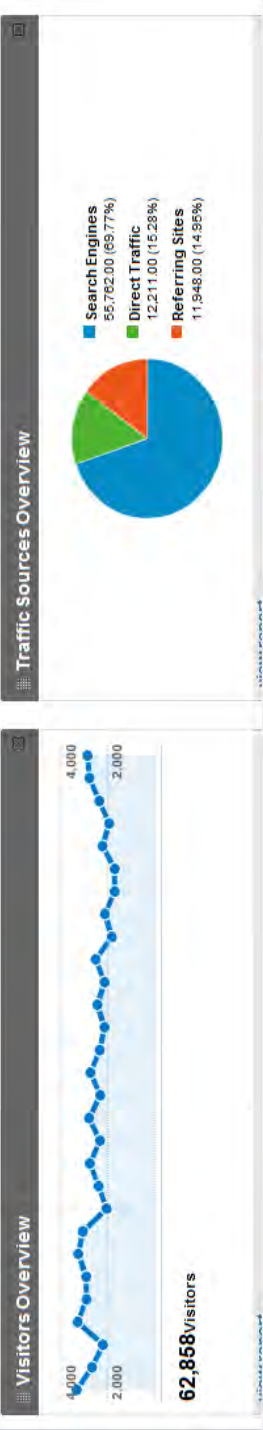
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- 318,577 Pageviews
- 3.99 Pages/Visit
- 31.55% Bounce Rate
- 00:03:14 Avg. Time on Site
- 66.23% % NewVisits





HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

To: Board of Commissioners
From: Denise Semion, Chief of Communications
Subject: Fluency Media Report
Date: September 9, 2010

Fluency Media is providing its first monthly report to the Metroparks Board of Commissioners. This report may contain some terminology and statistics with which you may not be familiar.

Please note the following:

- Twitter is a social media web source of instant information. A “tweet” is a message (limited to 140 characters) posted on Twitter. These messages typically link to more information on the web.
- We installed NetResults Tracking in our website www.metroparks.com which provides Fluency Media with a report on web activity related to their emails. This tool tracks how many people read an email and then click-through to any link to our web pages (click-through rate). This information helps evaluate the effectiveness of the emails. They will also track how many people sign up for our email list and visit the site from social media sources.
- Email:
 - Send counts – the number of email addresses on our email list
 - Open rate - the number of people who receive the email and download the photos in it
 - Site visits – how many people clicked-through the email to visit www.metroparks.com
 - Top Ten events – the most popular events in the emails that people then clicked to www.metroparks.com

Recommendation: That the Board of Commissioners receive and file this report as recommended by Chief of Communications Semion and staff.

Twitter:

Twitter launched July 28. Since then, we've tweeted 35 times, and gained 120 followers. Now that tracking is live on the email sign up page, we will be able to track how many sign ups come from social media

Facebook:

Fluency took over co-management of Facebook on July 26. Since then, we've gained 166 fans. Now that tracking is live on the email sign up page, we will be able to track how many sign ups come from social media

Social Media Recommendations:

All event/story landing pages used in social media should have pictures

Tweet/Facebook more pictures live from the parks

Notice on topics outside of events - certain programs, activities, etc. that you would like promoted for certain weeks

Email:

Email database is continuing to grow and new names are added on a weekly basis. Open rates are beginning to decline as summer winds down to a close but are remaining consistent with industry averages of between 20-40%.

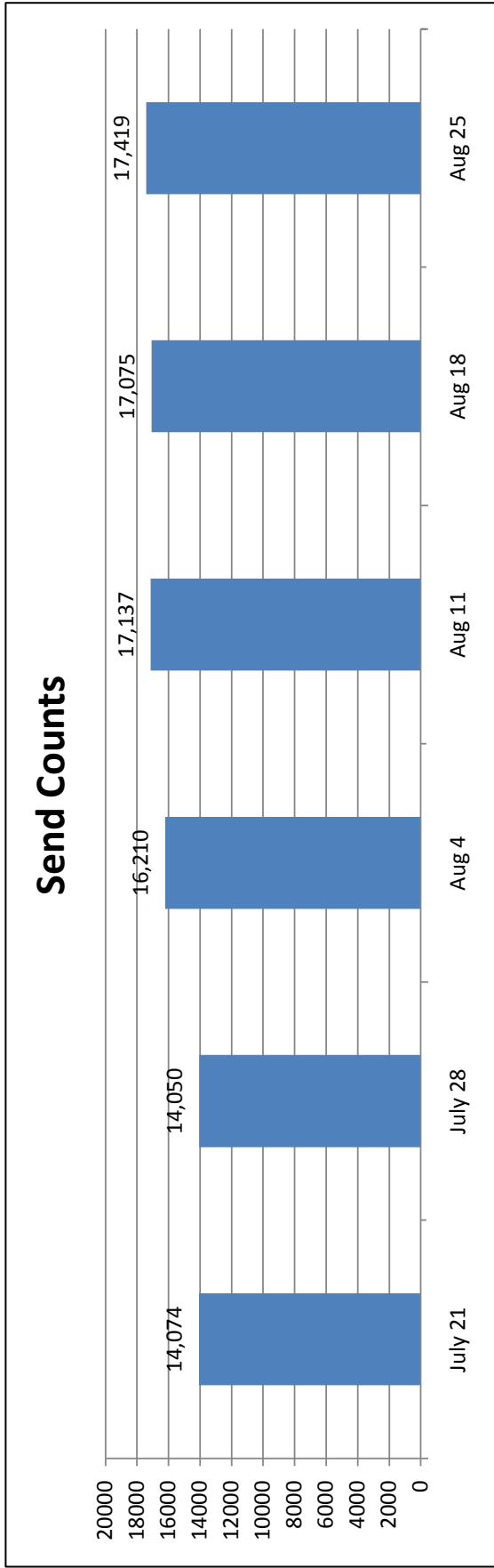
Four of the top ten events that received click-throughs came from the August 4 email, making that week the email with the most site visits. Site visits began their seasonal decline after that point.

Unsubscribe rates average between the industry levels of $\leq 1\%$. Variations are based on the relevancy of the changing email content to the audience's interests.

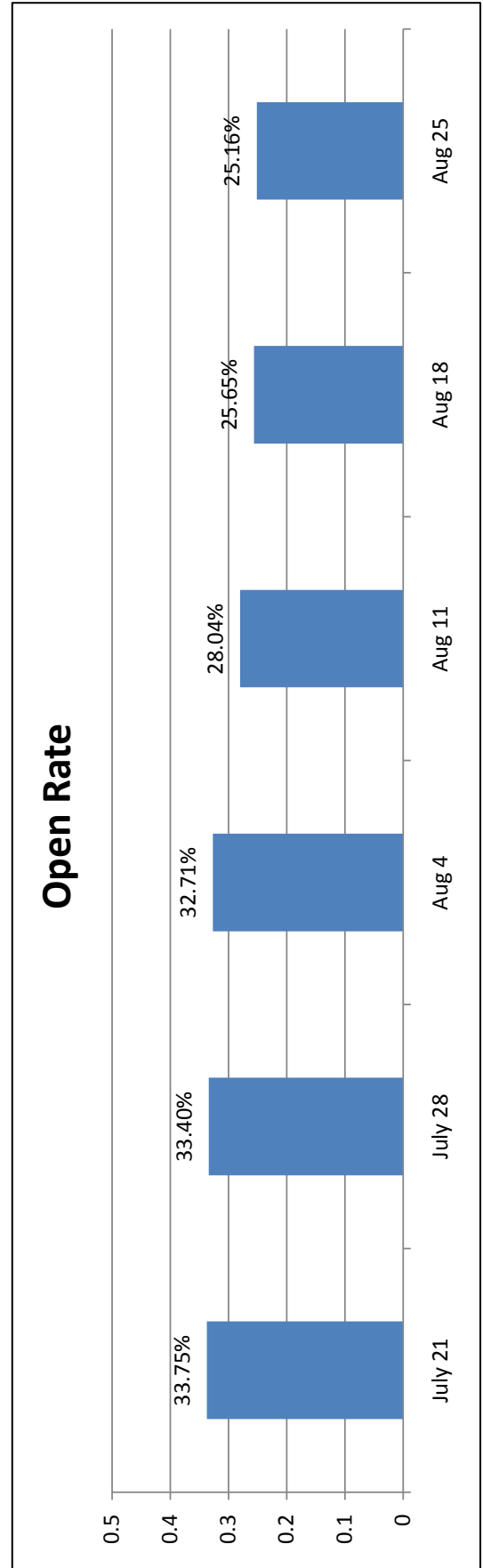
Based on the click data from the top ten events, we would like to attempt to boost click-through rates for Interpretive Programs by including them in the subject line. We also recommend trying to increase event attendance via email by introducing priority events a few weeks ahead of time and repeating those important programs every week until the event date. This will ensure that we get on family calendars in advance and that the event will stay top of mind.

Fluency Marketing Report
August 2010

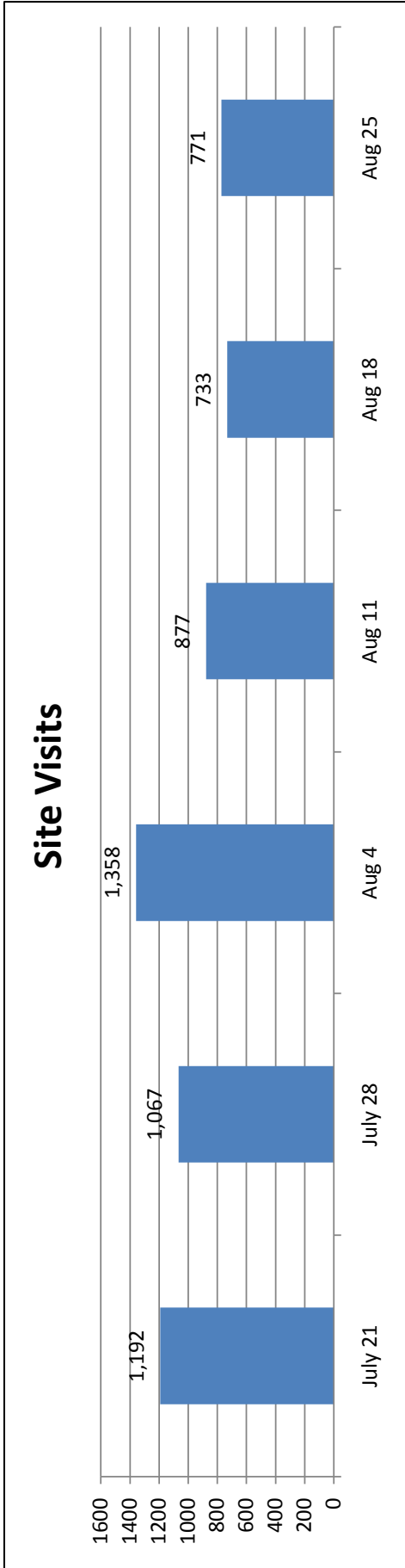
Date	July 21	July 28	Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 25
Send Counts	14,074	14,050	16,210	17,137	17,075	17,419



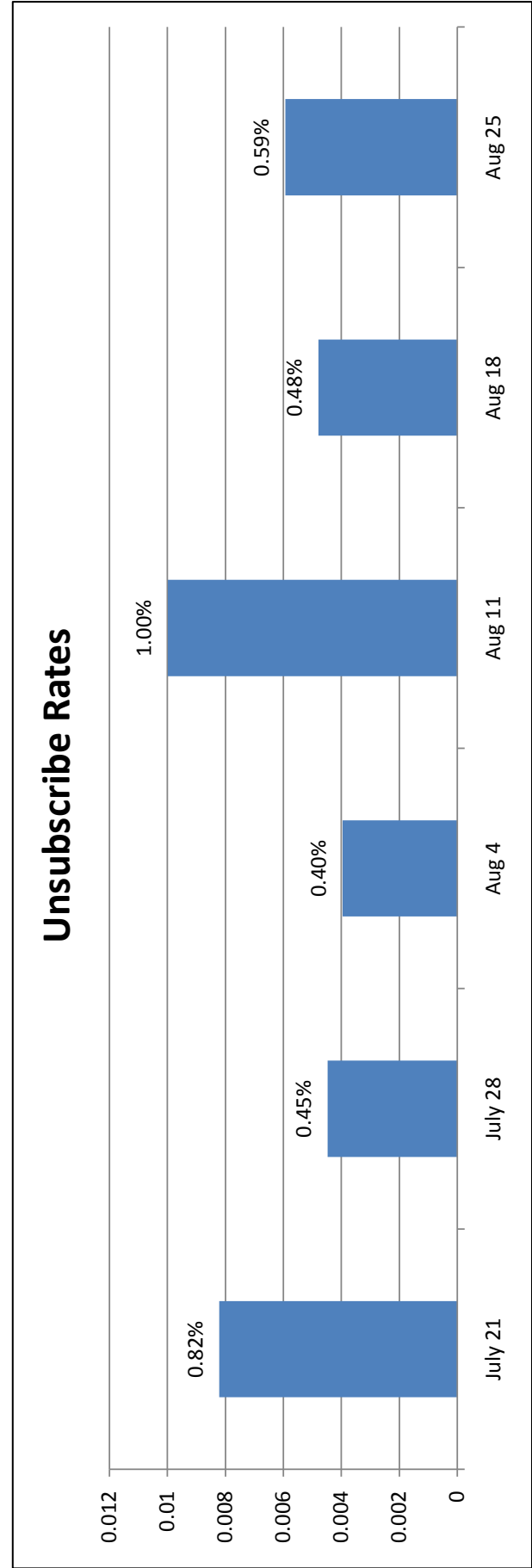
Date	July 21	July 28	Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 25
Open Rate	33.75%	33.40%	32.71%	28.04%	25.65%	25.16%



Date	July 21	July 28	Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 25
Site Visits	1,192	1,067	1,358	877	733	771



Date	July 21	July 28	Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 25
Unsubscribe Rates	0.82%	0.45%	0.40%	1.00%	0.48%	0.59%



Top Ten Events	Clicks	Date of Email
Air Margaritaville	402	7/28
Perseid Meteor Viewing	363	8/4
Colonial Kensington	346	8/11
Golf Update	329	7/21
Discovery Cruises	298	7/28
Swim Facility Details	268	8/4
Sawdust Festival	230	7/21
Monster Truck Show	223	8/4
Voyageur Encampment	185	8/25
Senior Appreciation Day	160	8/4

[It's not too late - sign up for camping today!](#) | [View as Web Page](#) | [View Mobile Version](#)



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Upcoming Events

Cruzin' the Park
August 27 – 29
Lower Huron Metropark

**14th Annual
Voyageur Encampment**
August 28 & 29
Metro Beach Metropark

**Boating & Outdoor
Recreation Festival**
Sept 22-26
Metro Beach Metropark



[See All Events](#)

Park Friends: Now is a perfect opportunity to get out and play at **your** Metropark. Here are just some of the fun activities and events to enjoy this month:



Bats Incredible!

Hudson Mills Metropark

If you've ever spent any summer evenings outdoors, you've no doubt seen this mysterious nocturnal creature. Explore bat life, behavior and how we're working to conserve these special animals through both an educational presentation and an outdoor evening observation session. This August 21 event begins at 8 pm. Registration required.

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Take a Trip through the Solar System

Wolcott Mill Metropark – Camp Rotary

Come explore our solar system during Meteor Fest! The first part of this event will focus on the sun, with solar telescopes, solar system activities and demonstrations. After dark, we'll continue to investigate the sky by telescope, constellation walk or by watching for and learning about meteors. The adventure begins at 7 pm on August 21. Registration required.

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Butterfly Brunch in your Backyard

Kensington Metropark

Attract more butterflies and hummingbirds to your garden by learning what plants are too delicious to resist! Join us on August 21 at 1 pm, and the Nature Center staff will show you the tips and tricks you need to know to make your backyard the local hotspot for these beautiful guests. Registration required.

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Paddle Down the Huron

Oakwoods Metropark

Enjoy an evening paddle through the Huron River on Saturday, August 21, or spend a



summer afternoon on the water on August 22. A 34-foot Voyageur canoe awaits you at the Oakwoods Nature Center for this unique river experience. Registration required.

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There's Still Time to Sign Up for Camping!

Hudson Mills & Stony Creek Metropark

The final family camping weekend of the summer is here! It's not too late to sign up for the August 20-22 program, which includes family activities, nature programs and community bonfires, perfect for singing your favorite camp songs and telling spooky stories. Register today to get in on the fun!

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Sing Along to your Favorite Golden Oldies

Metro Beach Metropark

Come to the sock hop on Sunday, August 22, when Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies band brings your favorite 50s and 60s hits to the Welsh Activity Center. Be transported back to soda fountains, poodle skirts, and beehive hair-dos for this evening of family-friendly entertainment. This event is free with park admission and begins at 6:30 pm.

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A Metroparks vehicle entry permit is required to enter any Metropark which is only \$25 annually for regular admission, \$15 annually for seniors, or \$5 daily. General information can be found at www.metroparks.com or by calling 1-800-477-2757.

A regional park system, the Metroparks consist of 13 beautiful parks covering 24,000 acres, ten spectacular public golf courses and two marinas on Lake Erie and Lake St. Clair, respectively.

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HURON-CLINTON METROPARKS MONTHLY STATISTICS

AUGUST 2010

PARK	MONTHLY VEHICLE ENTRIES		
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change
Metro Beach	71,535	77,156	-7.3%
Wolcott Mill	2,840	2,875	-1.2%
Stony Creek	77,874	72,075	8.0%
Indian Springs	15,694	15,233	3.0%
Kensington	105,469	107,037	-1.5%
Huron Meadows	11,771	10,311	14.2%
Hudson Mills	32,607	29,678	9.9%
Lower Huron	55,775	53,529	4.2%
Willow	19,589	17,903	9.4%
Oakwoods	3,745	3,648	2.7%
Lake Erie	28,796	30,471	-5.5%
Monthly TOTALS	425,695	419,916	1.4%

	MONTHLY TOLL REVENUE		
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change
	\$ 130,403	\$ 126,216	3.3%
	\$ -	\$ 20	-100.0%
	\$ 131,231	\$ 112,198	17.0%
	\$ 22,129	\$ 16,423	34.7%
	\$ 147,048	\$ 116,812	25.9%
	\$ 1,535	\$ 1,896	-19.0%
	\$ 31,902	\$ 25,035	27.4%
	\$ 108,020	\$ 85,314	26.6%
	\$ 23,166	\$ 12,782	81.2%
	\$ 1,945	\$ 1,805	7.8%
	\$ 40,629	\$ 37,363	8.7%
	\$ 638,008	\$ 535,864	19.1%

	MONTHLY TOTAL PARK REVENUE		
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change
	\$ 259,690	\$ 256,962	1.1%
	\$ 80,999	\$ 65,868	23.0%
	\$ 297,837	\$ 278,827	6.8%
	\$ 134,347	\$ 122,955	9.3%
	\$ 413,434	\$ 373,343	10.7%
	\$ 138,991	\$ 131,556	5.7%
	\$ 130,074	\$ 120,924	7.6%
	\$ 420,955	\$ 382,815	10.0%
	\$ 179,233	\$ 144,005	24.5%
	\$ 3,315	\$ 2,373	39.7%
	\$ 245,611	\$ 254,293	-3.4%
	\$ 2,304,486	\$ 2,133,921	8.0%

PARK	Y-T-D VEHICLE ENTRIES		
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change
Metro Beach	359,273	364,306	-1.4%
Wolcott Mill	21,899	21,852	0.2%
Stony Creek	403,684	384,070	5.1%
Indian Springs	78,078	78,748	-0.9%
Kensington	582,465	601,554	-3.2%
Huron Meadows	64,029	58,917	8.7%
Hudson Mills	174,115	169,172	2.9%
Lower Huron	281,845	262,379	7.4%
Willow	153,771	138,562	11.0%
Oakwoods	28,351	28,988	-2.2%
Lake Erie	163,628	170,067	-3.8%
Y-T-D TOTALS	2,311,138	2,278,615	1.4%

	Y-T-D TOLL REVENUE		
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change
	\$ 966,987	\$ 838,157	15.4%
	\$ 490	\$ 312	100%
	\$ 1,189,620	\$ 951,915	25.0%
	\$ 189,708	\$ 167,699	13.1%
	\$ 1,230,619	\$ 1,032,916	19.1%
	\$ 27,820	\$ 19,028	46.2%
	\$ 310,069	\$ 265,671	16.7%
	\$ 444,056	\$ 349,808	26.9%
	\$ 202,068	\$ 140,511	43.8%
	\$ 30,710	\$ 29,293	4.8%
	\$ 386,122	\$ 323,074	19.5%
	\$ 4,978,269	\$ 4,118,384	20.9%

	Y-T-D TOTAL PARK REVENUE		
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change
	\$ 1,498,767	\$ 1,375,781	8.9%
	\$ 363,653	\$ 349,628	4.0%
	\$ 2,126,682	\$ 1,935,173	9.9%
	\$ 687,908	\$ 713,116	-3.5%
	\$ 2,413,470	\$ 2,136,304	13.0%
	\$ 634,577	\$ 643,058	-1.3%
	\$ 802,841	\$ 789,052	1.7%
	\$ 1,417,547	\$ 1,133,009	25.1%
	\$ 875,353	\$ 761,896	14.9%
	\$ 41,572	\$ 41,035	1.3%
	\$ 1,363,619	\$ 1,385,030	-1.5%
	\$ 12,225,989	\$ 11,263,082	8.5%

	Y-T-D Vehicle Entries by Management Unit		
Metro Beach	359,273	364,306	-1.4%
Stony Creek Wolcott Mill	425,583	405,922	4.8%
Kensington	582,465	601,554	-3.2%
Hudson Mills Indian Springs Huron Meadows	316,222	306,837	3.1%
Lower Huron Willow Oakwoods Lake Erie	627,595	599,996	4.6%

	Y-T-D Toll Revenue by Management Unit		
	\$ 966,987	\$ 838,157	15.4%
	\$ 1,190,110	\$ 952,227	25.0%
	\$ 1,230,619	\$ 1,032,916	19.1%
	\$ 527,597	\$ 452,398	16.6%
	\$ 1,062,956	\$ 842,686	26.1%

	Y-T-D Total Revenue by Management Unit		
	\$ 1,498,767	\$ 1,375,781	8.9%
	\$ 2,490,335	\$ 2,284,801	9.0%
	\$ 2,413,470	\$ 2,136,304	13.0%
	\$ 2,125,326	\$ 2,145,226	-0.9%
	\$ 3,698,091	\$ 3,320,970	11.4%

ACTIVITY REPORT - GOLF

GOLF COURSE	MONTHLY ROUNDS		
	Current Year	Previous	Change
Wolcott Mill	3,718	3,112	19.5%
Stony Creek	6,294	5,327	18.2%
Indian Springs	4,477	4,100	9.2%
Kensington	7,249	5,619	29.0%
Huron Meadows	4,880	4,630	5.4%
Hudson Mills	3,451	3,484	-0.9%
Willow	4,739	4,724	0.3%
Lake Erie	4,073	4,073	0.0%
Regulation Subtotal	38,881	35,069	10.9%
MB Par 3	3,577	4,619	-22.6%
L. Huron Par 3	1,721	2,366	-27.3%
TOTALS	44,179	42,054	

ROUNDS Y-T-D		
Current Year	Previous Year	Change
14,768	14,064	5.0%
25,832	23,750	8.8%
18,029	18,991	-5.1%
32,174	25,538	26.0%
20,844	21,479	-3.0%
14,098	14,987	-5.9%
18,530	19,537	-5.2%
17,651	20,499	-13.9%
161,926	158,845	1.9%
13,360	17,516	-23.7%
6,777	9,817	-31.0%
182,063	186,178	

GOLF REVENUE Y-T-D		
Current Year	Previous Year	Change
\$ 296,274	\$ 292,480	1.3%
\$ 618,282	\$ 664,869	-7.0%
\$ 433,191	\$ 470,655	-8.0%
\$ 597,897	\$ 588,535	1.6%
\$ 509,797	\$ 526,903	-3.2%
\$ 305,859	\$ 333,250	-8.2%
\$ 434,921	\$ 482,083	-9.8%
\$ 386,672	\$ 460,934	-16.1%
\$ 3,582,894	\$ 3,819,709	-6.2%
\$ 67,057	\$ 87,460	-23.3%
\$ 34,712	\$ 50,148	-30.8%
\$ 3,684,663	\$ 3,957,317	-6.9%

ACTIVITY REPORT - INTERPRETIVE FACILITIES

FACILITY	PERSONS SERVED		
	Current Year	Previous	Change
Metro Beach	26,612	21,289	25.0%
Wolcott Mill	2,909	2,575	13.0%
Wolcott Farm	21,988	21,881	0.5%
Stony Creek	13,904	22,231	-37.5%
Indian Springs	6,855	5,936	15.5%
EDC	7,651	5,245	45.9%
Kensington NC	35,285	32,916	7.2%
Kensington Farm	35,999	33,068	8.9%
Hudson Mills	3,894	3,895	0.0%
Oakwoods	12,852	14,235	-9.7%
LEMP Museum	13,604	17,456	-22.1%
Mobile Unit	806	501	60.9%
TOTALS	182,359	181,228	0.6%

PERSONS SERVED Y-T-D		
Current Year	Previous Year	Change
120,411	94,090	28.0%
22,506	23,636	-4.8%
63,517	63,745	-0.4%
164,946	183,770	-10.2%
50,943	47,662	6.9%
47,822	35,674	34.1%
229,582	227,718	0.8%
272,007	270,051	0.7%
29,261	31,935	-8.4%
89,264	97,148	-8.1%
109,848	109,039	0.7%
19,570	17,299	13.1%
1,219,677	1,201,767	1.5%

REVENUE Y-T-D		
Current Year	Previous Year	Change
\$ 9,179	\$ 10,197	-10.0%
\$ 2,828	\$ 3,159	-10.5%
\$ 39,061	\$ 28,676	36.2%
\$ 15,081	\$ 14,525	3.8%
\$ 8,053	\$ 6,752	19.3%
\$ 11,891	\$ 10,540	12.8%
\$ 11,778	\$ 10,691	10.2%
\$ 45,859	\$ 50,193	-8.6%
\$ 5,923	\$ 6,904	-14.2%
\$ 9,997	\$ 10,949	-8.7%
\$ 5,572	\$ 6,420	-13.2%
8,418	8,880	-5.2%
\$ 173,640	\$ 167,886	3.4%

ACTIVITY REPORT - FINAL SUMMER ACTIVITIES

SWIMMING	PATRONS		
	Current Year	Previous	Change
Metro Beach	15,384	15,914	-3.3%
KMP Splash-Blast	19,918	16,966	17.4%
Lower Huron	35,918	33,991	5.7%
Willow	5,719	0	NA
Lake Erie	11,158	13,619	-18.1%
TOTALS	88,097	80,490	

PATRONS Y-T-D		
Current Year	Previous Year	Change
58,842	49,845	18.0%
59,225	46,848	26.4%
108,928	84,607	28.7%
21,258	0	NA
47,109	44,345	6.2%
295,362	225,645	

REVENUE Y-T-D		
Current Year	Previous Year	Change
\$ 173,133	\$ 147,603	17.3%
\$ 196,745	\$ 152,975	28.6%
\$ 726,428	\$ 558,244	30.1%
\$ 76,485	\$ -	NA
\$ 230,716	\$ 216,237	6.7%
\$ 1,403,507	\$ 1,075,059	

PARK	Winter Sports this Month			Winter Sports Y-T-D					
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change	Current Year	Previous Year	Change			
Metro Beach									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	62	184	(122.00)			
Ice Skaters	0	0	-	767	896	(129.00)			
Ice Fishermen	0	0	-	6,739	8,120	(1381.00)			
Stony Creek									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	5,000	4,080	+ 920			
Ice Skaters	0	0	-	1,157	27	+ 1130			
Sledders	0	0	-	5,142	5,463	(321.00)			
Ice Fishermen	0	0	-	1,779	812	+ 967			
Indian Springs									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	126	648	(522.00)			
Sledders	0	0	-	876	1,235	(359.00)			
Kensington									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	2,337	1,218	+ 1119			
Ice Skaters	0	0	-	2,613	196	+ 2417			
Sledders	0	0	-	10,628	2,516	+ 8112			
Ice Fishermen	0	0	-	1,167	244	+ 923			
Huron Meadows									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	3,307	1,650	+ 1657			
Ice Fishermen	0	0	-	419	376	+ 43			
Hudson Mills									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	2,205	2,210	(5.00)			
Lower Huron									
Ice Skaters	0	0	-	741	860	(119.00)			
Willow									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	756	881	(125.00)			
Ice Skaters	0	0	-	353	563	(210.00)			
Sledders	0	0	-	6,778	2,384	+ 4394			
Lake Erie									
XC Skiers	0	0	-	26	55	-29			
Sledders	0	0	-	134	105	29			
Ice Fishermen	902	1,196	(294.00)	6,847	6,385	462			
	Totals by Activity			Totals by Activity Y-T-D					
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change	Current Year	Previous Year	Change			
XC Skiers	0	0	-	13,819	10,926	+ 2893			
Ice Skaters	0	0	-	5,631	2,542	+ 3089			
Sledders	0	0	-	23,558	11,703	+ 11855			
Ice Fishermen	902	1,196	(294.00)	16,951	15,937	+ 1014			

HURON-CLINTON METROPARKS MONTHLY STATISTICS

AUGUST 2010

PARK	Seasonal Activities this Month			Seasonal Activities Y-T-D			Seasonal Revenue Y-T-D		
	Current Year	Previous Year	Change	Current Year	Previous Year	Change	Current Year	Previous Year	Change
Metro Beach									
Welsh Center	24	22	+ 2	98	111	(13)	\$ 36,325	\$ 32,625	\$3,700
Picnic Reservations	145	195	(50)	466	474	(8)	\$ 61,475	\$ 55,675	\$5,800
Boat Launches	1,586	0	+ 1586	7,293	5,566	+ 1727	NA	NA	NA
Marina	1,123	861	+ 262	3,601	3,829	(228)	\$ 60,739	\$ 64,883	(\$4,144)
Mini-Golf	4,522	4,834	(312)	13,683	17,235	(3,552)	\$ 33,194	\$ 42,916	(\$9,722)
Stony Creek									
Disc Golf ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ 43,964	\$ 44,644	(\$680)
Picnic Reservations	27	27	0	354	371	(17)	\$ 53,050	\$ 55,425	(\$2,375)
Boat Rental	4,559	3,943	+ 616	16,340	13,620	+ 2720	\$ 113,726	\$ 101,063	\$12,663
Boat Launches	601	456	+ 145	2,546	2,404	+ 142	NA	NA	NA
Indian Springs									
Picnic Reservations	6	3	+ 3	57	48	+ 9	\$ 8,550	\$ 6,410	\$2,140
EDC Room Rental	8	8	0	34	53	(19)	\$ 31,952	\$ 33,246	(\$1,294)
Kensington									
Disc Golf (Single Day)	4,630	6,161	NA	25,842	8,556	NA	\$ 51,684	\$ 17,112	NA
Disc Golf Annuals sold	0	2	NA	132	17	NA	\$ 6,424	\$ 932	NA
Total Disc Golf							\$ 58,108	\$ 18,044	NA
Picnic Reservations	39	31	+ 8	397	383	+ 14	\$ 59,745	\$ 57,450	\$2,295
Boat Rental	3,778	3,888	(110)	12,336	12,325	+ 11	\$ 114,022	\$ 108,344	\$5,678
Huron Meadows									
Picnic Reservations	2	4	(2)	35	39	(4)	\$ 5,250	\$ 5,620	(\$370)
Boat Rental	93	105	(12)	408	514	(106)	\$ 4,694	\$ 6,208	(\$1,514)
Hudson Mills									
Disc Golf (Single Day)	2,842	2,499		15,447	19,303	NA	\$ 30,894	NA	NA
Disc Golf Annuals sold	3	3	0	205	260	(55)	\$ 10,750	NA	NA
Total Disc Golf							\$ 41,644	\$ 51,126	(\$9,482)
Picnic Reservations	16	4	+ 12	162	151	+ 11	\$ 24,300	\$ 22,675	\$1,625
Canoe Rental ³	1,897	1,435	+ 462	4,801	3,566	+ 1235	\$ 21,552	\$ 17,671	\$3,881
Lower Huron / Willow / Oakwoods									
Picnic Reservations	39	20	+ 19	342	273	+ 69	\$ 51,250	\$ 33,825	\$17,425
Lake Erie									
Picnic Reservations	8	6		104	88		\$ 15,450	\$ 13,650	\$1,800
Boat Launches	2,614	4,311	(1,697)	15,910	17,881	(1,971)	NA	NA	NA
Marina	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ 164,396	\$ 171,564	(\$7,168)

Note 1: Park staff can account for daily disc golf sales but total use cannot be accurately tracked because many golfers have an annual disc golf pass.

Note 2: Canoe rental revenue is the HCMA percentage of the concessionaire's total revenue.