

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GENEVA SWAMP EXPANSION PROJECT IN THE CITY OF GENEVA, PROPOSED FOR SUBMISSION TO NRAC DISTRICT 7 CLEAN OHIO FUND BY THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

WHEREAS, The Geneva Swamp Expansion Project will protect approximately 37 acres of valuable wetland habitat and buffer land at the Museum's existing Geneva Swamp Preserve; and

WHEREAS, The Geneva Swamp wetland complex contains a unique wetland type called the Lake Erie Lake Plain Swamp Forest Plant Community Type; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History will issue permits to interested members of the public to utilize the properties for research, nature study, hiking, and hunting; and

WHEREAS, the Museum will offer regular educational field trips at the Geneva Swamp site for the general public; and

WHEREAS, the protection of high-quality natural sites, and noteworthy natural features within Ashtabula County will help to promote ecotourism within the County, and within the City of Geneva; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ashtabula County Commissioners endorses the Cleveland Museum of Natural History's Geneva Swamp Expansion Project proposal to permanently conserve the following tract of land within the City of Geneva:

- An approximately 37-acre tract of land described as PPN # 20-002-90-027-00 and PPN # 20-002-90-027-02.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

**ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CERTIFICATION PAGE**

Resolution No. 2022-558

December 28, 2022

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Upon the motion of Kathryn L. Whittington, seconded by Casey R. Kozlowski.

VOTE:

J.P. Ducro IV	Aye
Casey R. Kozlowski	Aye
Kathryn L. Whittington	Aye

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

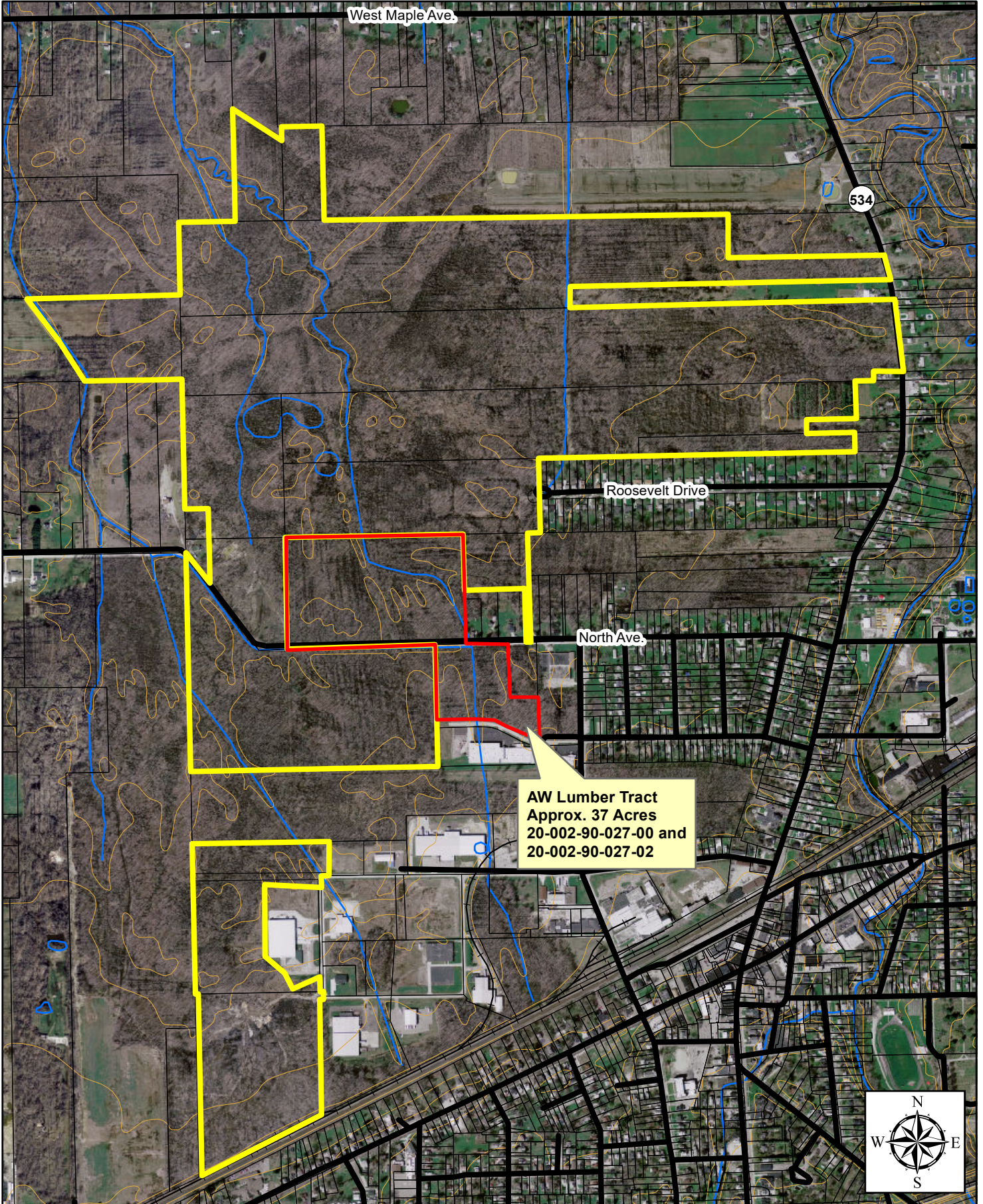
IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



Lisa Hawkins, Clerk of the Board
Board of County Commissioners
Ashtabula County, Ohio



Cooper / AW Lumber Property and the Geneva Swamp Preserve



Cleveland Museum of Natural History-owned Preserves within Ashtabula County -- Updated 12/19/22

Preserve Name	Township(s)	Acreage Owned
Armstrong Hemlock Swamp	City of Conneaut	14
Berger Preserve	Geneva Township	59
Blakeslee-Barrows Preserve	Kingsville Township	215
Burkholder Preserve	Harpersfield Township	25
Cash-Hertrick Preserve	Harpersfield Township	46
Cathedral Woods	Village of N. Kingsville	15
Floyd Preserve	Monroe Township	95
Geneva Swamp Preserve	Geneva Twp., City of Geneva	384
Wengerd Woods	Geneva Township	98
Cowles Creek Wetlands	Geneva Township	394
Three-Birch Swamp	Geneva Twp., City of Geneva	251
Keller Meadow	Saybrook Twp.	125
North Bend Bog	Saybrook Twp.	341
Grand River Terraces	Morgan Twp., Trumbull Twp.	1,028
Hadlock Preserve	Kingsville Township	88
Hoskins Creek Preserve	Hartsgrove Township	105
Hubbard Preserve	Kingsville Township	92
Kingsville Swamp	Kingsville Township, North Kin	121
McCoy Fen	Wayne Township	282
North Kingsville Sand Barrens	Village of N. Kingsville	182
Penn Line Fen	Richmond Township	142
Sawdust Preserve	Trumbull Township	588
Seymour Forest	Plymouth Twp., Sheffield Twp.	150
Stanton Forest	Sheffield Twp.	126
Windsor Woods	Windsor Twp.	146
TOTAL ACREAGE OWNED IN ASHTABULA COUNTY =		5,112
TOTAL ACREAGE OF ASHTABULA COUNTY =		875,500
% OF ACREAGE IN ASHTABULA COUNTY OWNED BY THE CMNH =		0.58%