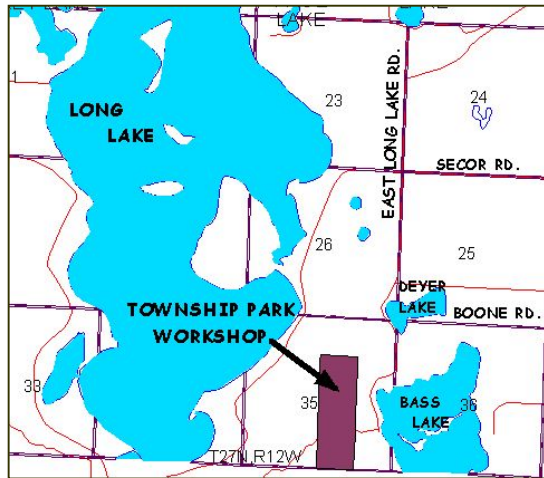


## WOODLANDS PARK STEWARDSHIP PLAN

**Long Lake Township begins work on a Forest Stewardship Plan for their woodlands park. The Township will hold two public outreach workshops during the plan development.**



Long Lake Township is developing a Forest Stewardship Management Plan for its 120 acre municipal forest. A grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources will cover some of the costs associated with the plan development. The property was acquired from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in 2001.

🌲 The Township views this property as a great opportunity to preserve critical resources and open space, educate landowners on the importance of forest and wildlife management, establish old growth forest types and provide recreational opportunities. This parcel will function as the foundation of an effort to enhance and expand ecological corridors across the eastern part of Long Lake Township

🌲 The Forest Stewardship Management Plan will focus on forest management, wildlife management, recreation, old growth forests, and outdoor education. Long Lake Township plans to eventually develop a trail system on this property. Signs will eventually be erected to educate hikers on wildlife, flora, ecological corridors and the importance of old growth forests. Long Lake Township is working with Richard Deuell, AICP, Resource Planning and Management Consultant from Boyne City and Rick Moore, Forester with the Grand Traverse Conservation District.

### The Workshops

Residents are invited to participate in two public outreach workshops associated with Long Lake Township's development of a Forest Stewardship Management Plan. We hope to have , forestland owners, township residents and township officials involved in the planning process.

**"A Walk in the Woods"** Workshop Saturday, July 20, 2002  
Meet at 1:00 at the Township Hall, located at 8870 North Long Lake Road. Participants will car pool to the property. The workshop will be held rain or shine.

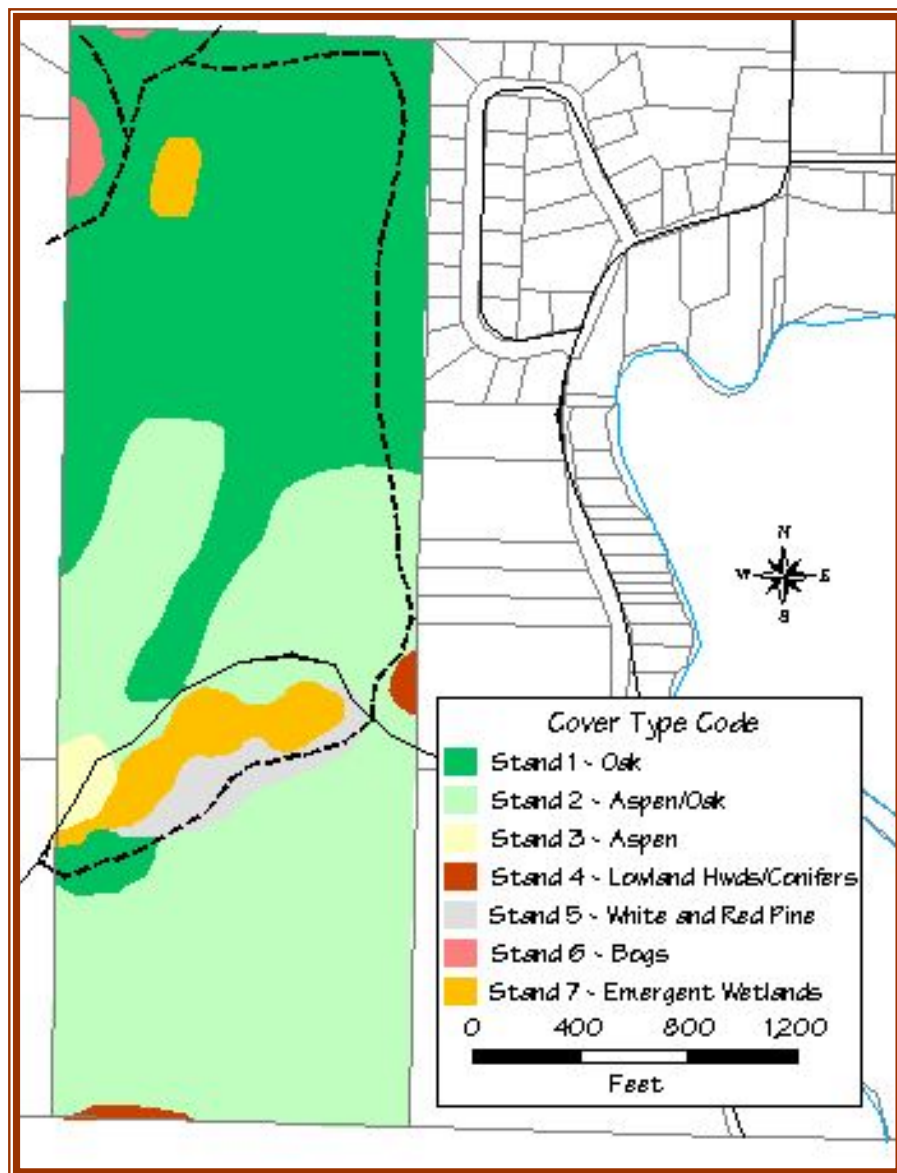
**"Developing a Plan of Action"** Workshop Thursday, August 22, 2002. The workshop will be held at the Township Hall. It will start at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Persons planning to attend the workshop should call the Township at 231-946-2249



For more information contact:  
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# COVER TYPE MAP



The 120 acre Township park serves as the foundation of an ecological corridor that runs north along the eastern edge of Long Lake. The park is an oak, aspen and pine woodlands. In general, the forests are less than 80 years old and in good health. Aspen in the southern half was harvested around 30 years ago, creating a two aged forest of younger aspen and older oak and red pine trees. Several small wetlands, located on the property, include sparsely forested bogs, forested wetlands, emergent open wetlands. The terrain is rolling in the northern half, becoming relatively level in the southern portions. Two ridgelines run in a northeasterly direction across the northern part of the property, creating vantage points of the woodlands and wetlands.

- Stand 1 – Northern Red Oak Woodlands**
- Stand 2 – Aspen and Oak Woodlands**
- Stand 3 – Aspen Woodlands**
- Stand 4 – Forested Wetlands**
- Stand 5 - White and Red Pine Woodlands**
- Stand 6 – Open Bogs**
- Stand 7 - Emergent Wetlands**



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