

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

REQUEST FOR ACTION

Subject: 17 Acres of Vacant Land Located in Barry County, Michigan

Action Requested: Authorization to Purchase

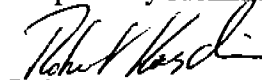
Background and Summary:

For thirty-seven years, Michigan Radio has leased transmitter space for its WVGR station from WOOD-TV. WOOD-TV is now required by the Federal Communications Commission to make changes to its transmitter tower and it has notified the University that it is no longer able to accommodate Michigan Radio's transmission needs. In order to continue Michigan Radio's ability to broadcast in western Michigan, it is necessary for a tower to be constructed within a three-mile radius of WOOD-TV's current tower.

The University has identified a 17 acre parcel of vacant land located in Thornapple Township, Barry County, Michigan that would support construction of a transmission tower for Michigan Radio within the subject three mile radius (please see attached map). It is expected that a Request for Action will be submitted to the Board within the next several months that will further describe the proposed tower and supporting mechanical building. Approval for the construction project will be requested at that time.

We recommend the University acquire the 17 acre parcel at a price of \$75,000. The purchase is subject to the University satisfying itself with the environmental condition of the property and obtaining the necessary regulatory and governmental approvals. Michigan Radio funds will be used to complete the purchase.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Kasdin
Executive Vice President

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attachment

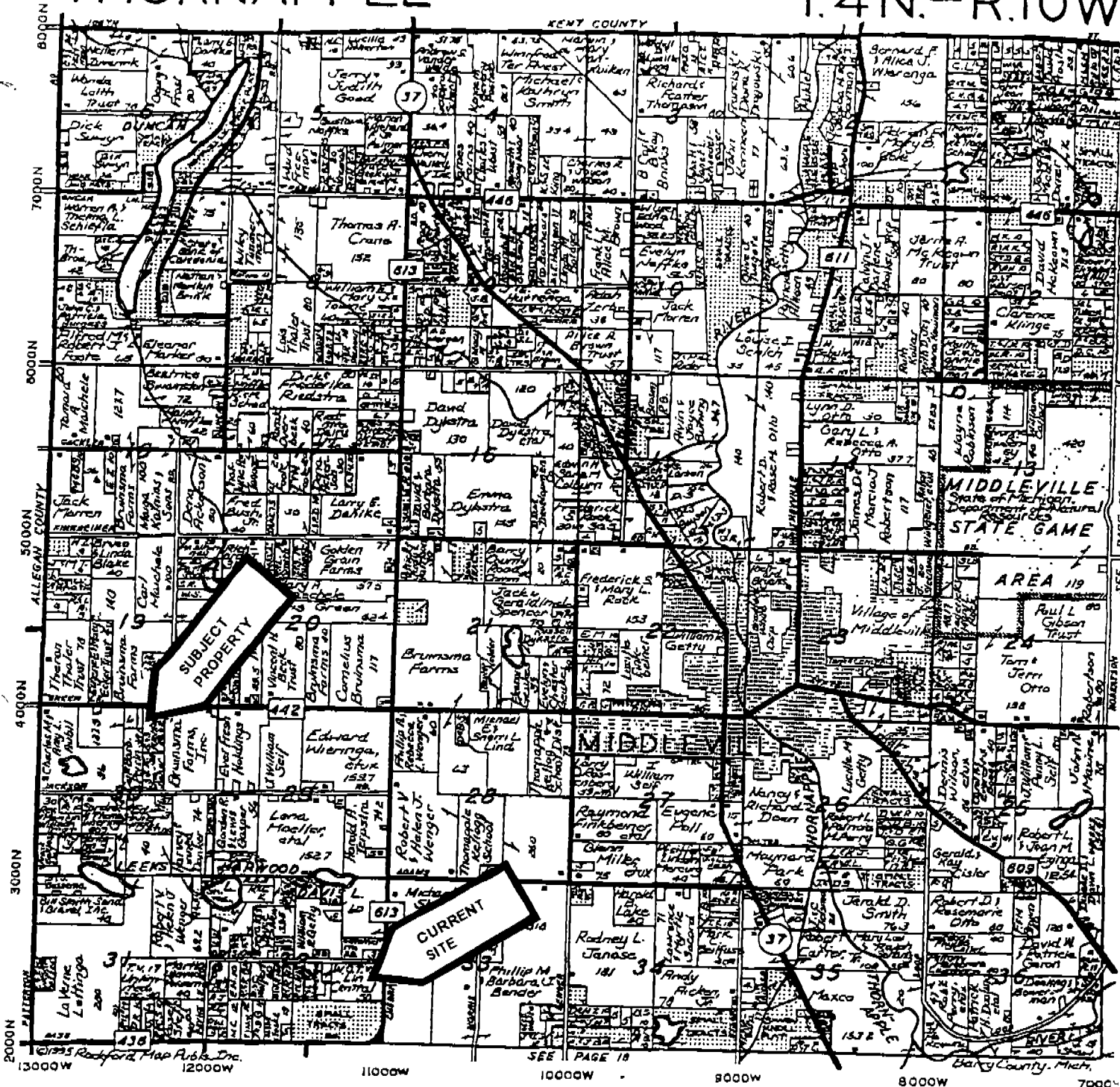
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SUBJECT PROPERTY

CURRENT SITE

MIDDLEVILLE STATE GAME AREA 119

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