

**SPECIAL CLOSURE
ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR
CLOSING AN AREA TO ENTRY, TO WIT:**

Pointe aux Chenes, St. Ignace Ranger District
Indian Point Beach Area, Manistique and Rapid River Ranger Districts

Hiawatha National Forest - Michigan

Under the authority of the Act of Congress of June 4, 1897, as amended (16 USC 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's Regulations 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart B (CFR 261.50(a)), the following acts and omissions are prohibited within, in and on any portion of roped off and signed "closed to entry" beach land located within:

1. Pointe aux Chenes Bay area on the St. Ignace Ranger District, Mackinac County, Michigan; and,
2. Indian Point Beach Area are on the Manistique and Rapid River Ranger Districts in Delta County, Michigan,

The said 1 and 2 areas being more particularly described in Exhibit "A" and depicted and designated on the map set forth in Exhibit B, both exhibits being attached hereto and made a part of this Closure Order.

Prohibition: [36 CFR 261.53 (a)] To go into, enter, use or be upon any land within the areas described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B that is roped off and signed "Closed to Entry" which is roped off and signed areas are closed for the protection of threatened, endangered, rare, unique, or vanishing species of plants, animals, birds or fish, specifically, the protection and preservation of the Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*) during the period April 15 through August 31.

THE CLOSURE ORDER AND THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PROTECTION OF ENDANGERED BIRDS (Piping Plover - *Charadrius melodus*) ON NATIONAL FOREST LAND. THEY ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS SET FORTH IN 36 CFR PART 261.


THE PROHIBITIONS WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER UNLESS TERMINATED EARLIER BY ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons will be exempt from the order:

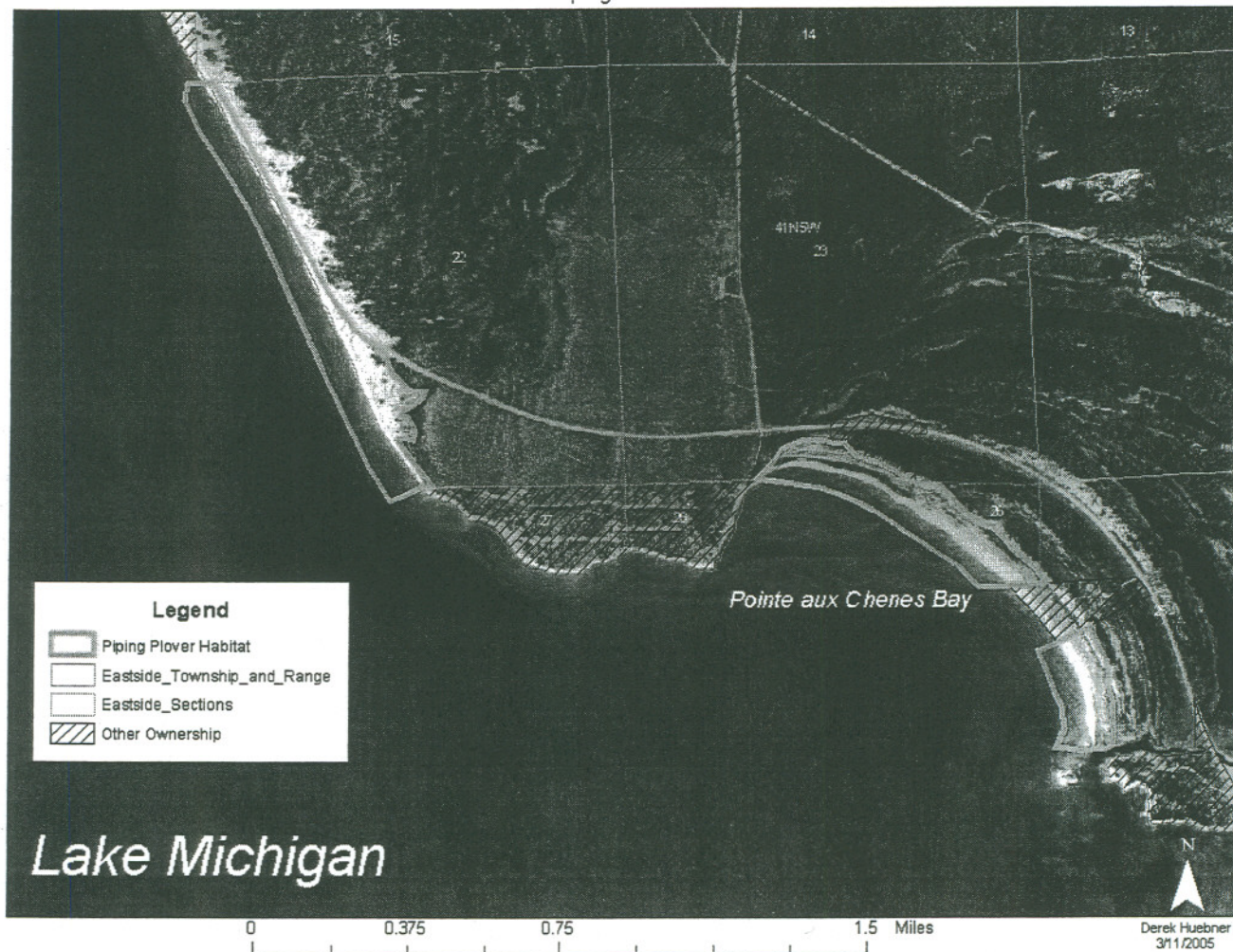
1. Persons with a valid permit in their possession signed by the District Ranger or Forest Supervisor **specifically** authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission. 36 CFR 261.50(e)(1); and,
2. Any Federal, State, or Local officers, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty. 36 CFR 261.50(e)(4).

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 6th day of June 2005, at Escanaba, Michigan.

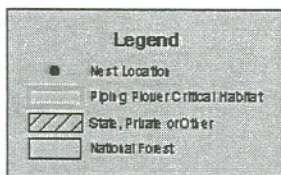
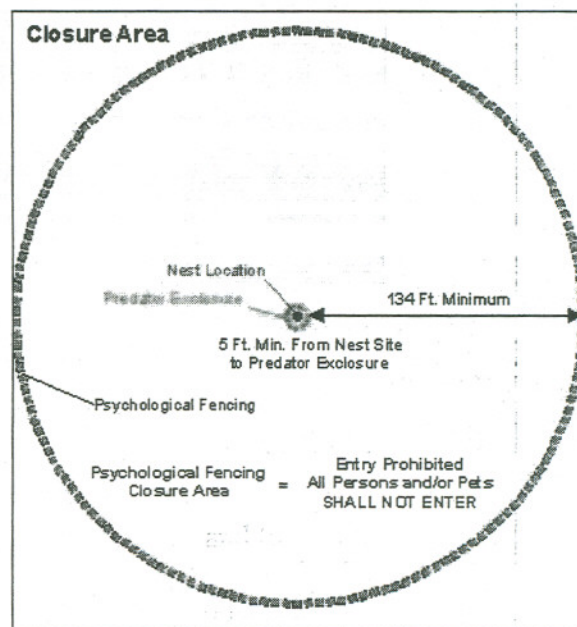
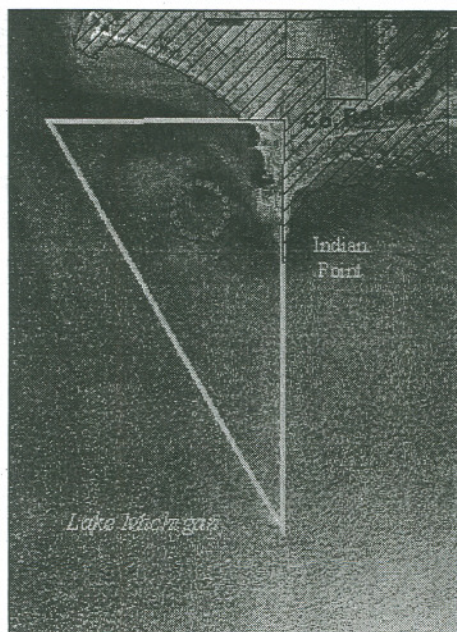
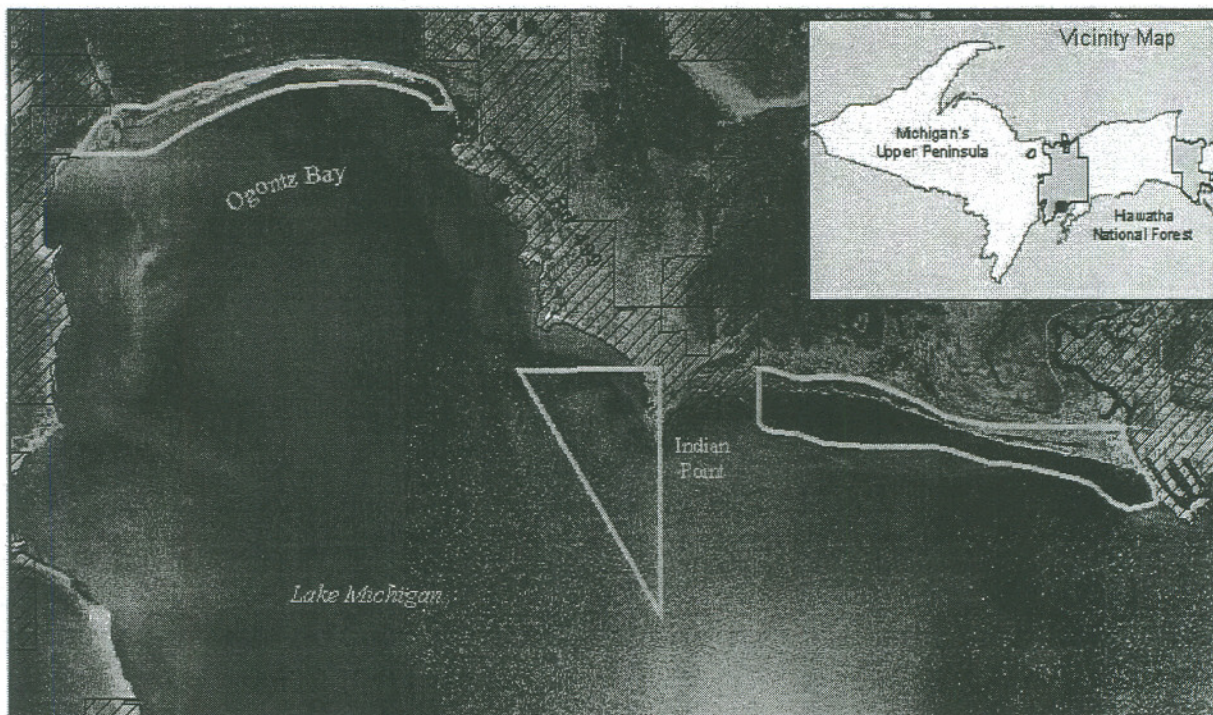

for Thomas A. Schmidt
Forest Supervisor
Hiawatha National Forest

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1. This order applies to approximately 60 acres, in the bay known as Pointe aux Chenes, on National Forest land between the shoreline of Lake Michigan and the adjacent sand dunes, in Township 41 North, Range 5 West, Sections 9, 22, 23, 25 and 26 of Mackinac County, Michigan; and to approximately 960 acres of beach, in the bay known as Big Bay DeNoc, on National Forest land between the shoreline of Lake Michigan and the adjacent sand dunes, in Township 40 North, Range 20 West, Sections 14, 15 and 16 of Delta County, Michigan, and in Township 40 North, Range 19 West, Sections 19, 20 and 24 of Delta County, Michigan.
2. The actual nest site closure would be roped off and identified with appropriate United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) endangered species warning signs. All unauthorized human activity is to be prohibited in the one and one-half acre (1.5) to five (5) acre nest site closure area.

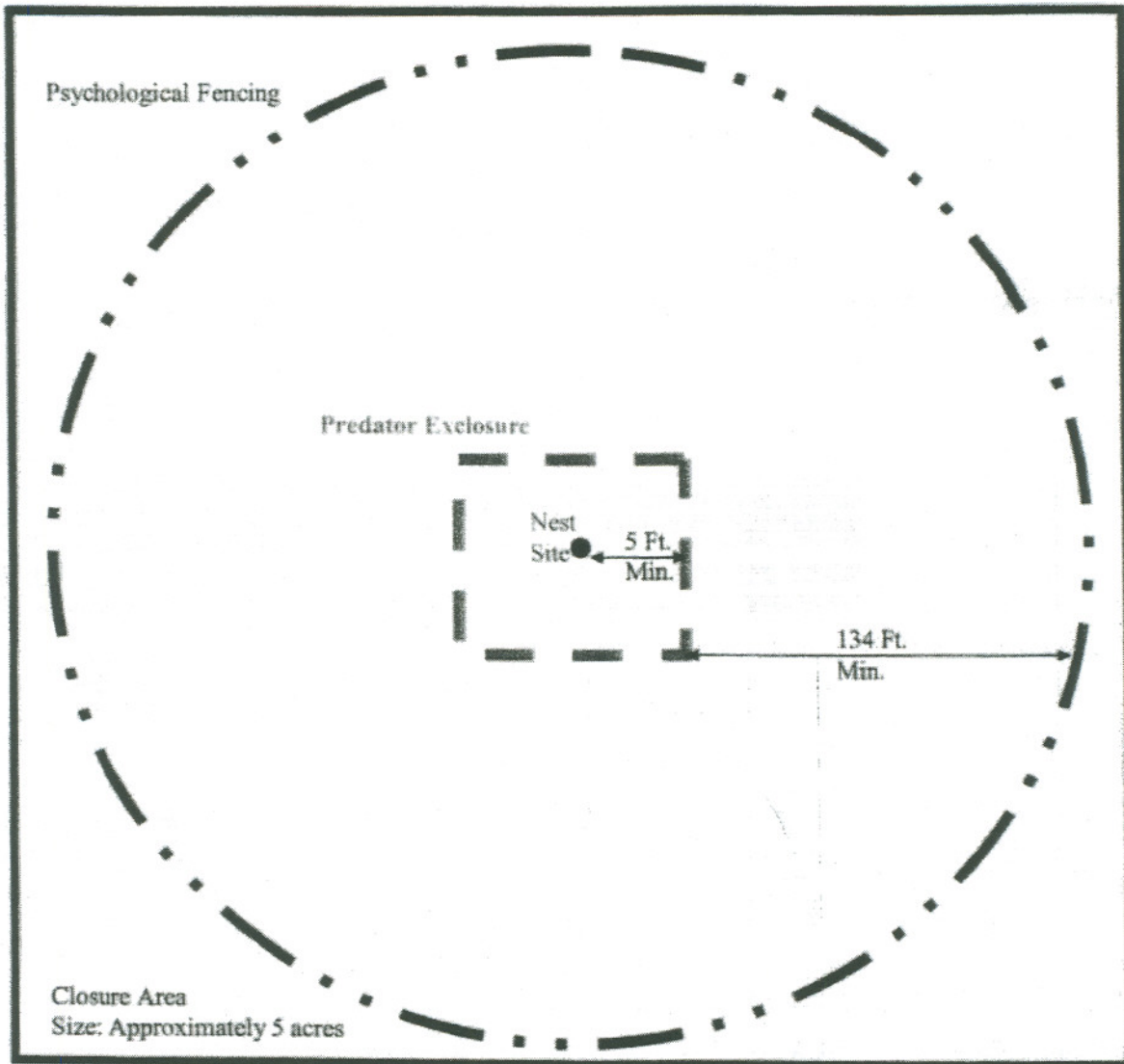
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Source: C:\gis\projects\Plover
R. Cain, March 17th, 2004

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CLOSURE AREA



**Psychological Fencing
Closure Area**

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**Entry Prohibited
All Persons and/or Pets
SHALL NOT ENTER**

TERMINATION OF ORDER

Hiawatha National Forest

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and/or (b), the prohibition(s) listed in Order number 5300/10/02/03, applicable to the Hiawatha National Forest, dated June 24, 2002 and signed by Mike Lanasa, for Thomas A. Schmidt, Forest Supervisor, is hereby terminated.

Date this 16th day of June, 2005 at Escanaba, Michigan.


for Thomas A. Schmidt
Forest Supervisor
Hiawatha National Forest