



Citizens Concerned for Michipicoten Bay

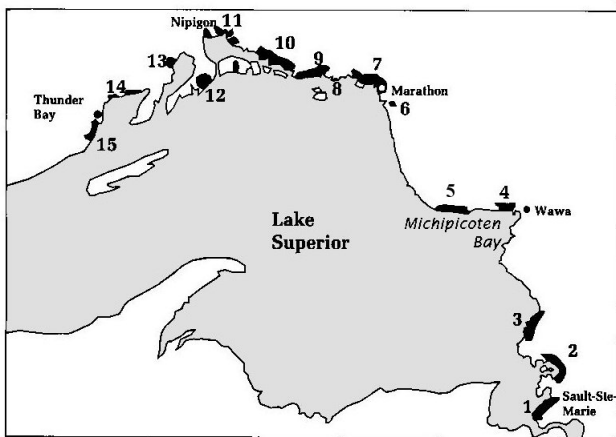
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Dear Friend of Lake Superior:

Have you ever thought about where the materials used to construct the roads on which you drive come from? What if you were told that the gravel used in making the asphalt was derived from the rocks that shape the rugged picturesque coastline of Lake Superior? I wish I could tell you that I am making this story up but, unfortunately, it could soon be a reality unless action is taken by citizens like you.



A large Detroit-based highway construction company has its eyes trained on a 1,000-acre parcel on Lake Superior's pictorial north shore, at Michipicoten Bay, near Wawa, Ontario, as a source for aggregate material for building highways in Michigan. And if this isn't bad enough, there have been 15 other extensive expanses of Lake Superior's shoreline identified as potential aggregate sources (see map below). Many of us who have marveled at the splendor of this shoreline are astonished that such development on the shore of the world's largest freshwater lake would even be contemplated.



Map showing locations of 15 potential aggregate quarry sites on Lake Superior's north shore identified by the Ontario Government in 2001. From: *Open File Report 6072 - Physical evaluation and assessment of bedrock aggregate resource potential, North of Lake Superior*

Citizens Concerned for Michipicoten Bay (CCMB) is a non-profit organization formed in response to this threat. CCMB wants to ensure that any possible quarry near Lake Superior should at least be far removed from the shoreline and, if developed at all, adhere to best management practices and the highest environmental standards.

Accomplishing this goal requires legal action through the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) tribunal process with a team of professional experts such as a planner, hydro-geologist, acoustical and legal experts. CCMB has assembled a well-

experienced and dedicated professional team that has the aptitude for mounting an effective challenge against the quarry proponents. Ensuring the team's success requires adequate and reliable funding from individuals like you who value high environmental principles.

CCMB is asking for your financial assistance to help ensure a successful outcome at the OMB hearings, which are expected to take place in Fall 2008. It is estimated that the cost of the OMB hearings could run over \$150,000, so any amount you can donate would be gratefully accepted. Your donation is tax deductible, thanks to our partnership with Environmental Defence, and can be done online. Please visit our website at www.ccmb.ca and follow the "Donate Now" links, which will forward you to the Environmental Defence website. Once there, you must ensure that you specify that you want your donation directed to "CCMB" in the Message to Environmental Defence Message Box (see webpage screen capture example above). Or, you can use the attached form to mail or fax in your donation, in care of Environmental Defence.

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The significance of the OMB hearing cannot be overstated - we strongly believe that the Michipicoten quarry will set the precedent for all future quarry developments that may be contemplated for the Lake Superior coast. On this **Lake Superior Day 2008**, please help us achieve our goal of protecting the integrity of Lake Superior's coastline.

For more information about the quarry proposal at Michipicoten Bay, please visit our website at www.ccmb.ca. Questions about the quarry issue or donating to CCMB can be directed to info@ccmb.ca.

Sincerely,

Mark Z. Leschishin
President

P.S. For the sake of the Lake, don't hesitate - please donate!