

National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act

Notice of Availability

Ile Aux Galets Light (Skillagalee Island Light)

Offshore in Emmet County, Michigan

April 5, 2013

The light station described on the attached sheet has been determined to be excess to the needs of the United States Coast Guard. Pursuant to the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000 (NHLPA), 16 U.S.C. 470, this property is being made available at no cost to eligible entities defined as federal agencies, state and local agencies, non-profit corporations, educational agencies, or community development organizations, for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.

Under Section 309 of the NHLPA, the light station will be sold if it is not transferred to a public body or non-profit organization.

The lighthouse occupies Great Lakes Public Trust bottomlands owned by the State of Michigan. Authorization in the form of a conveyance (Private Use Agreement) is required by the State of Michigan for the occupied bottomlands. For access to and utilization of the light station, the selected steward must obtain the required authorization from the State of Michigan by contacting:

Mr. Thomas P. Graf
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
Geological and Land Management Division
PO Box 30458
Lansing, Michigan 48909

Any eligible entity with an interest in acquiring the described light station for a use consistent with the purposes stated above should submit a letter of interest to the address listed below within 60 days from the date of this Notice.

Letters of interest should include:

- Name of property
- Name of eligible entity
- Point of contact, title, address, phone and email
- Non-profit agencies must provide a copy of their state-certified articles of incorporation

Eligible entities that submit a letter of interest will be sent an application by the U.S. Department of the Interior and given an opportunity to inspect the property. Building inspectors and/or contractors may accompany the applicant on the site visit. The application will be due within 90 days from the date of the scheduled site inspection. The U.S. Department of the Interior will review applications and may select an eligible entity to receive the property. The U.S. General Services Administration will complete the conveyance to the selected recipient.

For more information on the disposal of lighthouses, please visit the web site at <http://www.nps.gov/history/maritime/nhlpa/nhlpa.htm>.

Letter of interest should be directed to:

Mr. Kristopher Mendez
U.S. General Services Administration
Real Property Utilization and Disposal Division
230 South Dearborn Street, Rm 3774
Chicago, Illinois 60604

A copy of the letter of interest should be sent to:



Mr. Brian D. Conway
State Historic Preservation Officer
Michigan Historic Center
702 West Kalamazoo Street
P.O. Box 30740
Lansing, Michigan 48909-8240

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FACT SHEET

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GSA Control No.	1-X-MI-808
Property Identification	Ile Aux Galets Light (aka Skillagalee Island Light)
Property Address	Southerly end of Gray's Reef passage from straight of Mackinaw, Lake Michigan, MI N 45° 40' 34.936", W085° 10' 19.653"
<p>Property Description</p>  <p>Photo by: Bernie Hellstrom, lighthouseboatnerd.com</p>	<p>Octagonal brick tower, 58 feet in height, white with black lantern.</p> <p>The lighthouse occupies Great Lakes Public Trust bottomlands owned by the State of Michigan. Authorization in the form of a conveyance (Private Use Agreement) is required by the State of Michigan for the occupied bottomlands. For access to and utilization of the light station, the selected steward must obtain the required authorization from the State of Michigan by contacting Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.</p>
Condition of Property	The light station is offered "AS IS" and "WHERE IS" without representation, warranty, or guarantee as to quality, quantity, title, character, condition, size or kind.
Range of Possible Uses	Historic Lights and Light Stations may be used for educational, park, recreational, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.
Commercial Activities	Commercial activities are prohibited unless approved by the Secretary of the Interior.
<p>Historical Information</p>  <p>Photo Courtesy of: Michiganlights.com (Historic photo: only the tower remains)</p>	<p>The light station is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. It must be maintained according to the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Historic preservation covenants will be incorporated into the Quitclaim Deed. No lakebeds will be conveyed under the Quitclaim Deed.</p>
Utilities	Unknown

Tenant	None
Aids to Navigation (ATON)	<p>The ATON will remain the personal property of the United States Coast Guard (USCG). The United States reserves an unrestricted right for ingress and egress to maintain, operate, repair, replace or relocate the Federal aid to navigation and any associated equipment, and an Arc of Visibility for said aid. The ATON on the light station consists of a light signal flashing a white light every six (6) seconds.</p>
Easements to be retained by United States Coast Guard	<p>(1) The unrestricted right of the USCG to keep, locate, service, maintain, operate, repair and replace the ATON and any and all associated equipment, on the light station.</p> <p>(2) The unrestricted right of the USCG to relocate or add any ATON and any and all associated equipment, or make changes on any portion of the light station as may be necessary for navigational purposes.</p> <p>(3) A right of access in favor of the USCG for the purpose of servicing, maintaining, locating, operating, repairing and replacing navigational aids and any and all associated equipment on the light station. The USCG shall have the right to enter the light station at any time, with reasonable notice, for the purpose of maintaining the ATON and performing the other functions contemplated herein. Access shall be across any portion of the light station as necessary. Upon completion of the servicing, maintaining, operating and replacing the ATON and any associated equipment, the light station shall at the sole cost of the USCG, subject to the availability of appropriated funds, be left as nearly as reasonably possible in the same condition before any such work began.</p> <p>(4) A reservation to the USCG for the purpose of preserving an Arc of Visibility from the light station to the shoreline within the radial arc of 360 degrees true and the stipulation that nothing will be constructed, maintained or permitted of a height sufficient to interfere with or obstruct the Arc of Visibility.</p>
Environmental Information	<p>Lead-based paint asbestos-containing material may be present.</p> <p>Inspection/Access: The U.S. General Services Administration will provide an opportunity for eligible entities to inspect the light station after the 60-day Notice has closed. A completed Waiver of Liability form will be required to inspect the light. Contact GSA at (617)565-5700 with questions.</p>