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**ARTICLE 10**  
**O-1 OPEN SPACE DISTRICT**

**SECTION 10.1 INTENT**

The purpose of the O-1 Open Space District is to enhance the quality of life in the community by preserving open space lands purchased by Grosse Ile Township through the Open Space Millage.

It is the further intent of this district that these public open space lands be preserved for the enjoyment and benefit of all residents of the Township, to be used as nature preserves and passive recreation areas. This district is intended to preserve these natural areas for the enjoyment of township residents, provide buffers between development and ecologically sensitive areas, maintain the ecological functions of natural waterways and drainage networks, preserve natural habitat and the islands ability to support wildlife and preserve the Township's forested areas and overall natural character.

**SECTION 10.2 PERMITTED USES**

In the O-1 Open Space District no land shall be used except for the following uses, and subject to the standards and requirements set forth in this Ordinance and the review procedures in Article 21, Site Plan Review. The following shall apply to each individual use which may be located on a lot with other uses.

- A. Outdoor recreation activities which do not cause excessive noise or impact on the environment including, but not limited to nature study, hiking and horseback riding, fishing and cross-country skiing;
- B. Forest preserves and natural areas;
- C. Conservation of soil, vegetation, water, fish and wildlife; and,
- D. On-site driveways and roads where alternative means of access are proven to be impractical.

**SECTION 10.3 STATE AND FEDERAL LANDS**

On lands owned by the State of Michigan or the United States Government, State and Federal regulations shall supersede the regulations of this article where there is a conflict.

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