



# Property Transfer Ordinance No. 2016-02

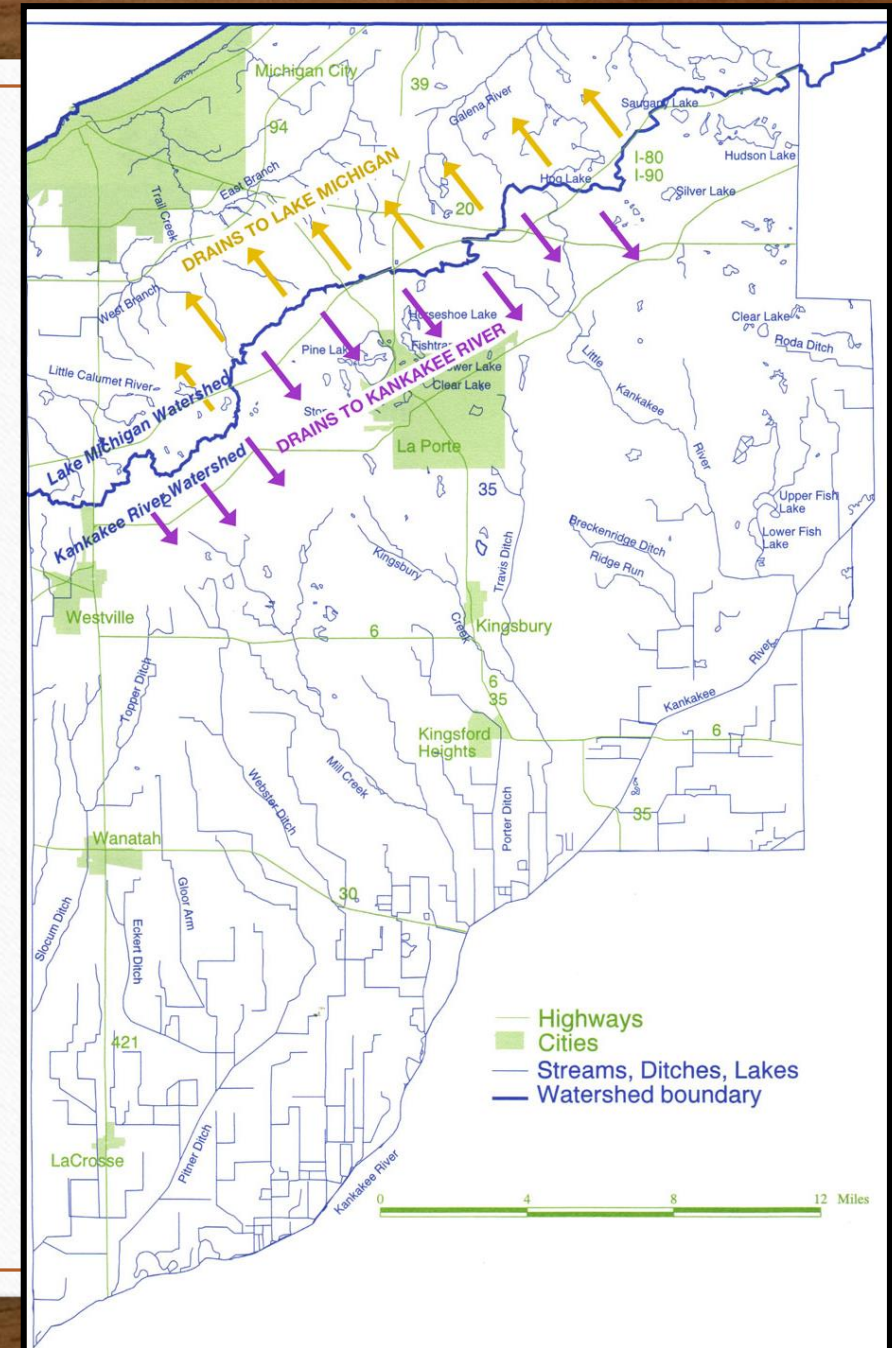
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Environmental Education/Outreach  
La Porte County Health Department



Why Do We Care?

## La Porte County Watershed



# The Ordinance

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- Requires all septic systems, both residential and commercial, to be inspected prior to the transfer of the property by an IOWPA certified inspector
- Requires all drinking water wells, both residential and commercial, to be tested for coliform bacteria and have a certified nitrate test.



# Why?

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- Inform prospective buyers
- Drinking Water Quality
- Status of On-site Sewage System
- Find undocumented/non-systems
- Find failed/failing systems

# Outreach

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- Initial outreach to the realty association (LPCAR)
- Ordinance Committee
- Individual Realty Agencies
- Title companies
- Conferences, meetings





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