**Sept. 18, 2018 Midland Daily News Article on Drawdowns and Revocation**

**Sept. 18, 2018.** Midland Daily News (MDN) published a front page article on Tuesday, Sept. 18 regarding the drawdowns of Sanford, Wixom, Smallwood and Secord Lakes and the Edenville hydroelectric license. Some statements in that article need clarification.

The Edenville License was revoked by a vote of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Kimberly Bose is the Commission Secretary and does not vote on these matters.

If the license revocation order is not successfully appealed, the license will be revoked, but the dam will not be “relinquished to the state” as reported in the MDN article. Boyce Hydro Power LLC will continue to own the dam. The State of Michigan will become responsible for dam safety, environmental and other regulatory matters that were previously FERC’s responsibility.

Wixom Lake Association Director Rothman has not spoken to the reporter, Ms. Nims, since the license revocation order was issued. It is unclear why a statement about the license revocation and lake recreation was attributed to him. Rothman is actively involved in work to ensure the future of all four Tittabawassee River dams and lakes.

It is not known whether Boyce Hydro will be required to “remove all of its electrical generating equipment from the Edenville Dam” as reported in the MDN article. FERC’s Sept. 10 Order Revoking License states “Within 15 days of the issuance date of this order, Boyce Hydro must permanently disable the project’s generating equipment”. According to our contact in FERC’s Division of Hydropower Administration & Compliance, it is up to the dam owner to decide how to “permanently disable” the generating equipment. After the dam owner has acted on his decision, FERC will rule whether the owner’s solution is satisfactory.