Syndicate Dune Park

Dune Wildlife & Vegetation
Michigan dunes are home to federally listed threatened and endangered species. The diversity of wildlife, topographic relief, vegetation, habitats, and climatic conditions occurring within these landforms represents a phenomenon unique to the State of Michigan.

Did you know...
Michigan’s shoreline is a showcase for 275,000 acres of sand dune formations. These windswept dunes represent the largest collection of freshwater dunes in the world.

Prairie warbler
(Dendroica discolor)
Endangered Species
(legally protected)

Pitcher’s thistle
(Cirsium pitcher)
Threatened (legally protected)

Spotted turtle
(Clemmys guttata)
Threatened (legally protected)

Beach Grass or Marram Grass
(Ammophila breviligulata)
Clearly one of the most critically important dune plants. Its fast growing rhizomes can respond to the constantly shifting sands, enabling this species to serve as a significant sand binder.

Dune Restoration
Without sand dune plants, the integrity and preservation of a stable dune complex cannot exist. This map shows areas of revegetation and designated trails to help stabilize and protect Syndicate Dune.

For more information visit: http://www.swmpc.org/syndicatepark.asp

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