Our water cycle – 97% of all of the water on earth is salt water and only 3% is fresh water. Of that 3% total of fresh water, 2% is frozen in glaciers and icebergs and ONLY 1% of all of the water on earth is available as fresh water for humans and other animals to drink, rain for plants and all of the water in our rivers and lakes. Surrounding Michigan, 20% of the entire world’s fresh water is found in our Great Lakes!