

# COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS



## Newberry Forest Management Unit

2021 Year-of-Entry

Location: Newberry Correctional Facility

October 29, 2019

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The following documents the changes and decisions made at the compartment review to the inventory database, reports, and compartment maps presented at the Newberry Forest Management Unit Compartment Review. This document is the official record of changes and decisions. Proposals originally presented were approved unless noted below.

### **Attendees**

Facilitator: Kristen Matson, FRD; Recorder: Rose Wilbur, FRD; Keith Magnusson, FRD; Jason Tokar, FRD; Amy Douglass, FRD; Matt Payment, FRD; Kristie Sitar, WD; Paul Gaberdiel, PRD; Peter Costa, FRD; Lester Livermore, FRD; Cory Kovacs, FD; Kerry Fitzpatrick, WD; Craig Albright, WD; Jennifer Burnham, FRD; Keith Murphy, FRD; and Jayne Meinhard, WD.

Members of the public in attendance: Jim Waybrant; Mount Forest Hunt Club: Nancy and Mike Walkowski, Deb and Louis Stempel and Richard Klender.

### **Comments from Stakeholders**

Open House was held at the Newberry Field Office on October 15, 2019. Eight visitors attended the open house. Attendees were able view compartment maps and data and discuss prescriptions with staff.

Four written comments were received from members of the Mount Forest Hunt Club regarding harvesting in C114 near their property.

### **General comments:**

During compartment review the SCA/HCVa, MNFI and archeology database layers were available as each compartment was presented. Any occurrences were discussed and mitigated.

### **2020 YOE Compartments and ERA Plans Under Review by Management Area:**

#### **8 Mile Corner MA:**

##### **C089 (Stand examiner – J. Burnham)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 51: Add roller chopping and next step.
- Stands 57 and 59: Reduce BA to 30-50 with target of 40.

## **Charcoal Grade MA:**

### **C079 (stand examiner - Payment)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 71: Remove Site Condition.

## **Danaher Kingston Outwash MA:**

### **C095 (Stand Examiner - Matson)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion on leaving Oak in Stand 29. Wildlife does not agree with cutting Oak in this Stand. Biologists recommends leaving all Oak in Stand 29 and, to the extent possible, consider this when setting up the sale. Per District Manager, for forest health, we cannot leave all the Oak. Agreement made to slightly change the prescription.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 23: Change MO to “planted” Jack Pine and add Site Condition for Survey.
- Stand 29: Place 1-2 retention patches in areas predominantly of large Oak and leave approximately half of the individual Oak for single tree retention.

## **Deer Park MA:**

### **C008 (Stand examiner – Payment)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- For all Pine Stands: Check old planting records and switch cover type to “planted” where applicable.

### **C023 (Stand examiner – Douglass)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Paul Gaberdiel will fix trail layers.

### **C037 (Stand examiner – Douglass)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted data.

## **Sage Truck Trail MA:**

### **C074 (Stand examiner – Tokar)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted data.

## **Tahquamenon River Basin Wetlands MA:**

### **C071 (Stand examiner – Livermore)**

#### *Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed the new DWC pilot plan regarding sustainable harvesting of “food” in this area.

#### *Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 23 and 24, 35: add next step to plant red osier dogwood after harvest.
- Stands 27, 32, 37, 39: add next step to plant clover and red osier dogwood after harvest.
- Stand 42: Remove treatment. Add site condition 3H and 5C. Add comment “holding to balance food in DWC pilot plan analysis.”

### **C106 (Stand examiner – Payment)**

#### *Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted data.

### **C114 (Stand examiner – Payment)**

#### *Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Letters from Mount Forest Hunt Club with concerns regarding this compartment were addressed. Club members discussed the following items of concern to them: Maintain integrity of the road from M-123 to the Cabins. Prefer logging trucks be smaller. There is an easement from 1964 to use the roads with 33 feet for access. Trees cut for accessibility belong to the Club per other agreement. Concerned about security access. Once the gate has been opened, DNR is responsible for liability.
- Jason Tokar: Discussed the options to access this area. Temporary roads may be necessary. DNR will include the club on the prep of sale.
- Recommendations:
  - Keep Gate closed at night or when hauling is not occurring. Logger will have a different lock/key.
  - Some of the sale may be a winter cut depending on soil types.
  - Harvesting trees along road will be minimized. All road access trees will be left on site.
  - Club will be notified or contacted before trees before the sale is set up.
  - Road will be left in as good or better condition. Grading spec will be added.
  - Gravel and culverts will be added as needed.
  - The Club will need access to the roads at all times.
  - If rutting occurs, damages will be repaired, and operations will be shut down.
  - Jason Tokar will send Club BMP manual.
  - If Hunter Trail is used, check MNFI database for rare and endangered species.
  - Mount Forest Club prefer access from Charcoal Grade rather than across their property.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 4, 5, 11 and 13: Add comment “contact Mount Forest Club prior to sale prep”.
- Foresters will read recommendations above and add the appropriate sale specifications.

## **Two Hearted Headwaters**

### **C010 (Stand examiner - Livermore)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed recent TNC land swap and new state land boundaries here. Also discussed verified old growth and ERAs in the area.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes from posted data.

### **C022 (Stand examiner - Livermore)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 318, 319: Change site condition to “Unknown Access.”

## **Beavertown Lakes ERA Plan**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Fire staff will work with Cory to get the ERA in fire database.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted plan.

## **Whitefish Vermillion Point MA:**

### **C060 (Stand examiner – Douglass)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes from posted data.

### **C063 (Stand examiner – Douglass)**

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes from posted data.

## **Additional changes:**

### **Wildlife Treatment Removals**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed removal of the following old treatments that are no longer desirable.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Terminate the following wildlife treatments:
  - C87, Stand 22 Plant Oak
  - C111, Stand 37 Plant Apple and Oak
  - C108, Stand 33, 42 Plant Oak
  - C123, Stand 35, 51, 53, 55 Plant Oak
  - C71, Stand 9 Plant Red Osier Dogwood on Trails
  - C127, Stand 76 Plant Oak
  - C97, Stand 19 and 23 Plant Oak

As the Compartment Review Meeting Facilitator, I certify that the above changes were agreed upon.

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