

COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS

Roscommon Forest Management Unit

2015 Year-of-Entry

Location: Roscommon Operations Service Center

Date: October 23, 2013

The following documents the changes and decisions made at the Compartment Review to the Inventory Database, Reports, and Compartment Maps presented at Open House, for the Roscommon Forest Management Unit –Compartment Review. This document is the official record of changes and decisions.

Attendees: Dale Ekdorn, FRD; Jason Lewicki, FRD; Ben Wiese, FRD; Amy Swainston, PRD; Mark Boersen, WLD; Bill Sterrett, FRD; Steve Anderson, FRD; Tom Haxby, FMD; Doug Bates, FRD; Bob Jacobson, Michigan Conservation Foundation, Jason Stephens, FRD; Brian Mastenbrook, WLD; Keith Fisher, WLD; Scott Throop, FRD; Lynn Carter-Regier, FRD; Lee Osterland, FRD

Comments from Open House and E-Mail

There were eight members of the public who attended the open house on September 11, 2013. There was one written comment from David Dailey who expressed concerns with old growth and hiking areas including the Midland-Mackinaw Trail. There was also a special session attended by eight members of the public to discuss oak wilt issues in Compartment 128.

Changes to be made: *(This is the record of official changes to the maps and database).*

Compartment 1

Stands 9, 12 – Midland to Mackinaw Trail runs through these stands. Update to add trail.

Stands 6 & 10 – Red pines natural area, create an SCA.

Compartment 4

Stands 39, 41, 44 – Two track road is not useable, remove from roads layer

Stands 19, 34 – Need to create a treatment or add a site condition.

All lowland stands and areas in the compartment need to be updated if inoperable – add a site condition.

Re-post compartment on website as treatments were not posted with the web posting.

Compartment 9

No changes

Compartment 26

Stands 15 & 21 – Update to note clearcut with just a few scattered “leave” trees for retention.

Compartment 32

Add a note to consider variable residual BA’s in red pine stands 53, 65, 66, 51, 50 and 60 based on the current stand densities.

Compartment 39

Re-post treatment that did not make web posting.

Add site conditions for lowlands where inoperable.

Compartment 52

Stand 25 – Suggested change to leave red pine, white pine and white oak, accept whatever regeneration will come back. Add that there may be a need to berm after the sale. There are trash issues, notify coordinator Ada Takas concerning clean-up or utilize volunteers to clean up and plant stand 33 with jack pine.

Compartment 75

Stand 32 and west – RAU needs to correct County Road on map. It does not extend all of the way to the compartment.

Compartment 84

Stands 12, 20 and others in the compartment may become GEMS (Grouse Enhancement Management System) to be considered for future crab apple and fruit bearing species plantings in landings and roads.

Need to check with Forest Certification on planting of non-native species.

Compartment 103

No changes

Compartment 116

Stands 3, 13 – Drop #5 site condition polygon.

Re-post treatments that did not make web posting.

Compartment 128

These are the notes from a tour and meeting as provided via e-mail by Mark Boersen:

Stand 5: Trench and plant roughly ½ of it to red pine, put the pine in the lower areas which now have more cherry. Weave around any aspen regeneration. We may consider taking some of the residual oak to open it up more, but make sure to leave dead snags. Take out the oak wilt pockets.

Stand 7. Select mark to cut. Cut out any oak wilt pockets. If we don’t find a lot of them, pop the oak wilt stumps with a bulldozer or trench around them if this is feasible.

Stand 15. Clear cut, leave white oak, and white pine. Leave retention along the road if possible. Try to leave pockets or clumps of healthy oak if possible. Soils are poorest in SW corner, better to the north and

west. WLD would like roughly 1/3 in oak savannah. Trench and plant 2/3 of the stand. The replanting areas will be 25% jack pine, and 75% red pine. (not mixed together, separate blocks) Add white oak saplings if available.

Stand 18: Aspen Clearcut.

Balance of stands which remain from Twin Lakes Oak were seed tree harvested. Check regeneration and if insufficient, trench and plant red pine, staying out of areas of good aspen regeneration.

The exact details of where on the ground this is done within each stand, will be worked out by Jason and Mark visiting the sites when the stands are harvested, and we reach the trenching stage.

Oak wilt has been found in this compartment.

Stand 28 – Update proposed start date and limiting factor for contract already started.

Compartment 135

Stand 23 and others in compartment – Reshape SCAs to avoid overlap.

Compartment 144

Need to re-classify Lost Twin Lakes pathway stands for habitat value,

Remove stand condition 8 coding from stands that no longer meet the criteria.

Re-post on website as packet did not include all treatments in original web posting.

Compartment 146

Stand 16 – Needs SCA to code for concentrated Recreation Area and split parking area from remainder of stand to create a new stand.

Stand 23 – Drop 3A site condition coding and leave as a 2H code.

Compartment 156

Stands 33, 34 – Drop site condition 3A for Stand Condition #11

Stand 60 – Create shape to extend treatment into adjacent compartment.

Stand 25 – Add to prescription to leave brush piles on the north side of the treatment area.

Stands 46, 47 – Needs an SCA coding, if these are actually SCAs, not just in the comments.

Compartment 165

Lowland stands that need a hard factor for inoperability should be coded

Stand 8 – Change stage one data to “natural pine”.

Compartment 178

Add to narrative per Keith Fisher: Even though compartment 178 is managed quite heavily for the endangered Kirtland’s warble, that particular jack pine habitat is also valuable for a variety of additional species such as white-tailed deer, snowshoe hare, upland sandpipers, red squirrels, brown thrashers and

spruce grouse. Furthermore, within the compartment there are components of oak, aspen, mixed hardwoods and other tree and shrub varieties that provide habitat for species such as wild turkey, ruffed grouse, fox squirrels, red-shouldered hawk and black bear.

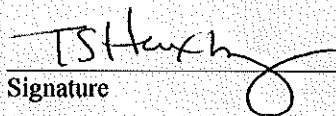
Compartment 198

Add site conditions to lowland areas as needed for those that are inoperable/inaccessible based on current evaluation.

As the Compartment Review Meeting Facilitator, I certify that the above changes have been agreed to.

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