

# COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS

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Escanaba Forest Management Unit

2023 Year-of-Entry (YOE)

Microsoft Teams Meeting

August 31, 2021

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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 Open House or for online review] for the Escanaba Forest Management Unit compartment review. This document is the official record of changes and decisions. Proposals originally presented were approved unless noted below.

## **Attendees**

Eric Thompson, FRD; Dustin Salter, FRD; Dan Racine, FRD; John Hamel, FRD; Dan Beaudou, FRD; Robert Tylka, FRD; Karen Sexton, WLD; Tom Seablom, FRD; Kerry Fitzpatrick, WLD; Rob Katona, PRD; Colter Lubben, WLD; Keith Murphy, FRD; Jay Osterberg, FRD; Sarah Janda, FOB; Jason Stephens, FRD; Stacy Tchorzynski, EXE; Jason Stephens, FRD.

## **Comments from stakeholders received prior to Compartment Review**

the Open House was held as an open public comment period due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Written comments were received with concerns regarding treatments near areas with archeological or cultural concerns.

## **Compartment specific changes made during Compartment Review**

### Compartment 1

- No changes

### Compartment 13

- Stand 17 Clearcut harvest reserving all cedar; only cut cedar as needed for access to merchantable species.

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#### Compartment 25

- No changes

#### Compartment 31

- No changes

#### Compartment 47

- Stand 65 add secondary site condition around cabin.
- Stands 31 and 5, This stand is in conditional deer range wildlife staff and forester identified winter shelter area to be excluded from harvest. The remainder of the stand will be treated.

#### Compartment 55

- No changes

#### Compartment 56

- No changes

#### Compartment 78

- No changes

#### Compartment 87

- No changes

#### Compartment 100

- No changes

#### Compartment 109

- Conduct archaeological survey with DNR to delineate areas of concern before any treatments take place.
- Stands 109, 14, 15, 9, 8, 7, 6, 18, 19, 20, 21, 26, 28, 33, 39, 47, 59, and 67, promote Oak-Pine barrens community type through the use of the following management activities: Apply prescribed fire with a high return interval (three or more burns per decade) to promote and protect native biodiversity and ecosystem integrity. To supplement prescribed fire, winter mowing of oak sprouts and aspen could be implemented to expand barrens, to promote characteristic vegetation. To restore savanna structure associated with invasive sedge thatch, conduct supplemental planting of trees (white pine, red pine, oak, white oak, and bur oak). Direct herbicide application to non-desirable woody saplings, preferably following prescribed fire. Fire, mowing, chemical application.
- Stands 5, 60, and 48 add a 100' buffer to protect adjacent natural communities. Leave all white oak and red pine. Timber staging areas should not be allowed outside of the stands being harvested to prevent impacts to the ERA. Decontamination protocol must be followed in the ERAs;



- Stand 29, add 100ft buffer to protect natural community (ie; stand 28). Leave all white oak, bur oak and red pine. Avoid using heavy equipment within adjacent stand 28 to protect wetland community.
- Stand 27, add 100ft buffer to protect natural community (ie; stand 28, 33, 26). Leave all white oak, bur oak and red pine. Avoid using heavy equipment within adjacent stand 28 to protect wetland community.
- Stands 16 and 69 drop treatments

Shakey Lakes ERA Plan

- Add a management objective: to work with PRD to develop signage for ORV use.

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

Approver Name

John M. Hamel

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Signature

Approver Title

Inventory and Planning Specialist

August 31, 2021

Date