

## COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS



### Newberry Forest Management Unit

2019 Year-of-Entry

Location: Newberry LMAS Conference Room

October 24, 2017

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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; Dennis Nezich for Jeff Stampfly, FRD; Keith Magnusson, FRD; Jason Tokar, FRD; Amy Douglass, FRD; Matt Payment, FRD; Kristie Sitar, WD; Paul Gaberdiel, PRD; Peter Costa, FRD; Kyle Reidenga, FRD; Cory Kovacs, FD; Kerry Fitzpatrick, WD; Craig Albright, WD; Kevin Dennis, PRD; Jim Dzelak, PRD; Jennifer Burnham, FRD; Keith Murphy, FRD; and Jane Meinhard, WLD.

Members of the public in attendance: None.

#### **Comments from Stakeholders**

Open House was held at the Newberry Field Office on October 10, 2017. Six visitors attended the open house. People were able view compartment maps and data, and discuss prescriptions with staff.

One written comment was received from a North Country Trail Association (NCT) member, to express thanks for DNR support of the NCT.

#### **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.

#### **2019 YOE Compartments and ERA Plans Under Review by Management Area:**

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

##### **C092 (Stand examiner – Amy Douglass)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Paul will be working to get trail layers corrected in many locations, including here.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 47 and 48: Change Cover Type Objective to “natural white pine, mixed deciduous.”

**C110 (Stand examiner – Jason Tokar)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed harvest of spruce plantations, and what they would be regenerated to.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 74, 76 and the north portion of 87: Add next step of planting oak.

**Charcoal Grade MA:**

**C048 (Stand examiner – Matt Payment)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed grouping treatments with those in adjacent compartment 49.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Check to be sure start dates in adjacent Compartment 49 are correct.

**County Line Hardwoods MA:**

**C124 (Stand examiner – Amy Douglass)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed implications of nearby HRD outbreak, and department guidance.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted data.

**Deer Park MA:**

**C007 (Stand examiner – Jason Tokar)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- None.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted data.

**C015 (Stand examiner – Matt Payment)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed the Natural River SCA.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted data.

**Pretty Lakes Area ERA Plan**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- General discussion of specific wording that was written in the management goals, objectives and actions sections of this plan, and whether it was appropriate to have such specific language.
- Pretty Lakes ERA plan was approved with the following changes.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- In beginning of plan, on page 2 add bullet with Keith Kintigh's clarifying sentence about ERA boundaries, stopping after "consult with specialist".
- Management Objectives section: Add Keith K. clarifying sentence.
- Management Actions section bullet number 4: Change to read "maintain natural plant species."
- Management Actions bullet number 6: Remove "former" from the sentence, "Rehabilitate former fire lines as applicable."
- Under Management Actions: Put patterned fen bullets in a separate heading.
- Management actions bullet Number 13: add word "immediately". "Avoid creating new roads immediately adjacent to ERA."
- Management actions second to last bullet: Add "if applicable." "If applicable, use periodic burning..."
- Management actions last bullet: clarify "only west of road." "Where forest regeneration is found to be inadequate west of the road".
- Monitoring section: Add clarifying statement.

**C031 (Stand examiners – Don Kuhr/Keith Magnusson)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- None.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes from posted data.

**C042 (Stand examiner – Amy Douglass)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discuss the Duck Lake fire in this compartment.
- Discuss the TNC land swap status.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes to posted data.

## **Fox River Complex MA**

### **C100 (Stand examiners - Matson/Magnusson)**

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

- Discussed Deer Wintering Complex guidance, and how functional cover is used. Primary cover is cedar and hemlock. Secondary cover is white spruce, balsam fir and white pine.
- There will be further discussion to clarify the differences in interpretation in these plans.

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

- Stand 10: Change to clear cut with retention. Add retention patch (5E). Remove comment about “no retention needed.”
- All treatments: no chipping, winter harvest and leave hemlock if it exists.

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

### **C105 (Stand examiner – Matt Payment)**

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

- None.

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

- No changes to posted data.

### **C120 (Stand examiner – Jennifer Burnham)**

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

- Discussion regarding deer wintering complex management plans, and the need to analyze the amount of functional cover.
- Discuss interpretation of white versus black spruce as functional cover.

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

- Stand 23: Drop treatment.
- Stands 14 and 6: Leave all cedar, unless a few incidental cedars are cut for maneuverability. Where cedar density precludes cutting of other species, leave as a retention pocket. Leave all pockets of sub-merchantable balsam fir.
- Place a high dollar value on cedar, to discourage incidental harvest.

## **Tahquamenon River Patterned Fens MA:**

### **C080 (Stand examiner – Jason Tokar)**

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

- None.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes from posted data.

### **Whitefish Vermillion Point MA:**

**C058** (Stand examiner – Amy Douglass)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- None.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes from posted data.

### **Prison Camp Muskeg ERA Plan**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- General discussion of specific wording that was written in the management goals, objectives and actions sections of this plan, and whether it was appropriate to have such specific language.
- Prison Camp Muskeg ERA Plan was approved with the following changes.

*Changes made at compartment review*

- In beginning of plan, on page 2 add bullet with Keith Kintigh's clarifying sentence about ERA boundaries, stopping after "consult with specialist".
- Management Objectives section: Add Keith's clarifying sentence.
- Management actions section bullet 4: Add "Consider" at the beginning and "fuel and weather conditions" at the end.
- Management actions section bullet 7: change to "Maintain appropriate buffer of natural vegetation surrounding the muskeg to reduce the threat of negative hydrological impact".
- Management actions section bullet 7: Remove sentence: "Minimize clearcuts adjacent to the ERA's with existing significant deer browse pressure."
- Management actions section "Vehicular traffic" Bullet: remove wording "adjacent to ERA."
- Management actions section last bullet: add "as opportunities arise."
- Monitoring section: Add clarifying statement.

### **Wildlife Planting (Sitar)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discuss planting of different species in different locations for wildlife.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- C 071 Stand 17: Red Osier dogwood planting.
- C 077 Stand 12: Plant clover in trail.
- C134 stand 23; C107 stand 32; C108 stand 3; C127 stand 65; C097 stands 15 and 37: Plant Apple trees in openings.

### **Blind Sucker Flooding (Sitar)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussed drawing down of the blind sucker flooding – appropriate processes will be followed with the appropriate permits.

### **C085 Trail 498 re-route (Gaberdiel)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion on Trail re-route. Trail proposal database will be used.

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

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