

## COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS



### Sault Forest Management Unit 2014 Year-of-Entry Quality Inn, St. Ignace, MI October 4, 2012

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 Sault 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, FMD; recorder: Cheryl Ozanich, OLAF; David Jentoff, WLD; Terry Minzey, WLD; Tim Maples, WLD; Jeff Stampfly, FRD; Jason Stephens, FMD; Don Kuhr, FMD; Dan Moore, PRD; Karen Rodock, FMD; Amy Douglass, FMD; Matt Edison, FMD; Cory Louto, FMD; Jeff Wise, FMD; Jason Caron, FMD; Josh Brinks, FMD; Jennifer Burnham, FMD; Brian Maki, FMD; Bryce Avery, FRD; Darren Kramer, FD.

Members of the public in attendance: None.

#### **Comments from Stakeholders**

The Open House at the Naubinway Field Office on September 11, 2012 had no people attend. An additional Open House at the Kinross Township Hall September 12, 2012 had 8 people attend. Attendees viewed maps and data, and discussed management prescriptions with staff. No comment sheets were filled out. No letters were received.

**General Comments:** none

#### **Compartment 9 (Jason Caron)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* none

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 3, 6, and 11: remove comments regarding firewood sale.

#### **Compartment 12 (Jeff Wise)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion regarding purchased lands. If possible, stand examiners should add a comment about the wildlife benefit when treatments are on purchased lands.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 14: Exclude ERA area from treatment. Work with Lisa Dygert to update the ERA layer shape, if necessary.
- The narrative needs to be corrected to add info to the WLD section.

### **Compartment 33 (Jeff Wise)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion on site conditions and fixing the site condition on stand 9. On areas without access, you can put a site condition on whole area (rather than individual stands), including stands that don't meet criteria and non-forested stands.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 48 & 55: Add a winter cut spec - deer wintering area.

### **Compartment 36 (Jason Caron)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Check small stands to see if they need site conditions (stand 31).

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 32: add seeding of JP and spruce.

### **Compartment 39 (Jeff Wise)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion regarding buffer along wetlands.
- Discussion of possible closure of existing road after timber sale.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- In narrative recreation section: Add comment "no designated ORV trails in this compartment". Delete the comment regarding quads accessing compartment.
- Intent is to close existing road after timber sale is closed. Will follow work instruction process for road closure.
- Stand 48: Change to lowland cover type. Add natural regeneration code and regeneration monitoring treatment code.
- Stands 42 & 52: Drop comment – "hold until".

### **Compartment 54 (Jason Caron)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* none

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 8: Add oak planting around edges.

### **Compartment 107 (Cory Luoto)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Check site condition layer for additional purple polygons (stands 15 and 26).

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Narrative recreation section: add motorcycle trail comment.

### **Compartment 110 (Cory Luoto)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* none

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 59: Move draft prescriptions from “General comments” box to “Management Considerations” box.
- In narrative recreation section: Remove ‘ORV’ and add motorcycle trail name.

### **Compartment 116 (Josh Brinks)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion regarding using skidders on motorcycle trails.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 25, 26, 30, 33, 65: add proposed start date.
- Stand 20: change management objective to upland opening or low density deciduous (320).
- Stand 16: change next steps comment to scarify for jack pine.
- In narrative rec section: Remove “ORV” and add motorcycle trail name.

### **Compartment 136 (Amy Douglass)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion regarding seasonal restrictions on paved roads in area.
- Discussion about day use/campground in Hendricks Twp./Strouble Lake area.
- Discussion regarding cedar stand in compartment.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- A symbol needs to be added to the map for Township Recreation Area at Strouble Lake.

### **Compartment 139 (Matt Edison)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* none

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 8: Add comment to leave scattered beech where present.

### **Compartment 150 (Josh Brinks)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion regarding cedar in compartment.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 37: adjust treatment boundary and comments to have 20 acres of clear cut strips of cedar.

- In narrative rec section: Strike comment of no recreational facilities in this compartment. Remove “ORV” and add name of motorcycle trail.
- Stand 43 and out YOE 62: Add comments regarding Red Shoulder Hawk nest (can say “see locked box” for sensitive info, or put non-sensitive info in other comments). Change the proposed start date to 2021 or appropriate date. Add the nest to the OFS layer & add locked box comments if necessary.

### **Compartment 158 (Josh Brinks)**

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

- Discussion regarding Red Pine stands. Discussion regarding buffers around boulders in compartment.

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

- Stand 34: Josh will work with Amy to correct treatment listing.
- In narrative recreation section: Drop “ORV” and add name of motorcycle trail.
- Add proposed start dates to all stands that are “unspecified”.
- Stand 34: leave one tree length buffer around large boulders.
- Stand 20: add comment to scarify for JP.

### **Compartment 177 (Matt Edison)**

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

- Discussion about hauling restrictions on Big Knob road because of recreation facilities, and the timing of hauling to avoid conflict.

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

- Stand 70: add site condition.
- Check ownership in NE along road.
- Check road layer with map shop (some roads appear to be missing).

### **Compartment 187 (Matt Edison)**

#### *Discussion of comments from individuals:* none

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

- Add snowmobile trail to narrative.

### **Compartment 194 (Cory Luoto)**

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

- Discussion regarding karst features in nearby Compartment 202.
- Discussion regarding Compartment 202 as out-of-YOE. If stands prescribed for treatment are not a continuation of inventoried compartment stands, the process is somewhat different. Need to check to see who was at original review.

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

- For Out YOE stands: Add the comments from Stand 43.
- 202 Out YOE \_cut 1: forward status to “Comp Review Proposal.”

**Closing comments:**

- Don Kuhr presented information regarding recent beech brush spraying.
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