



Compartment Review Presentation

Baraga Forest Management Unit

Compartment 11070

Entry Year: 2027

Acreage: 2,147

County: Ontonagon

Management Area: Houghton Hardwoods

Stand Examiner: Ryan Mattila

Legal Description:

T51N, R39W, Sections 30, 31

T51N, R40W, Sections 24, 5, 26

Identified Planning Goals:

Manage to increase in stand diversity.

Soil and topography:

The compartment is level with deep cuts where the streams and feeders are. Silts are: Watton – Iron River – Baraga association (clay loams), and AuTrain – Rubicon association (sand)

Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment:

Most of the surrounding land is managed for timber, except some land on the east side of the compartment that is used for hunting camps.

Unique Natural Features:

Wood turtle, Bald Eagle, Showy orchis, Male fern, fairy bells, Ram's head lady's-slipper, Canadian milk-vetch, and small-eyed mary have been documented in the compartment. Potential for osprey, wood turtle, bald eagle, great blue heron rookery, red-shouldered hawk, goshawk, moose, and gray wolf.

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

None.

Special Management Designations or Considerations:

None.

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

This compartment contains Mill Creek, East Branch Mill Creek, and a couple of unnamed tributaries. No specific comments other than follow BMP's

Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

Use buffers along streams to maintain these wildlife travel corridors.

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

Surface sediments consist of lacustrine (lake) clay and silt. The glacial drift thickness varies from 10 to 50 feet. The Precambrian Freda Sandstone subcrops below the glacial drift. The Freda does not have a current economic use. Abandoned copper mines are located ten miles to the east. This area has not been leased for metallic exploration. Gravel pits are not likely to be found in this area. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP.

Vehicle Access:

Access is through the USFS road system. There are internal logging roads, but overall access is fair.

Survey Needs:

None.

Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:

There are no recreational facilities in this compartment, and there do not appear to be any opportunities to develop any.

Fire Protection:

This is not a fire prone area.

Additional Compartment Information:

The following reports from the Inventory are attached:

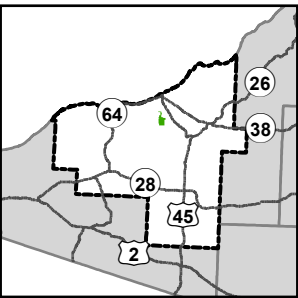
- Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class**
- Cover Type by Harvest Method**
- Proposed Treatments – No Limiting Factors**
- Proposed Treatments – With Limiting Factors**
- Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested)**
- Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas**
- Site Condition Details**

The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:

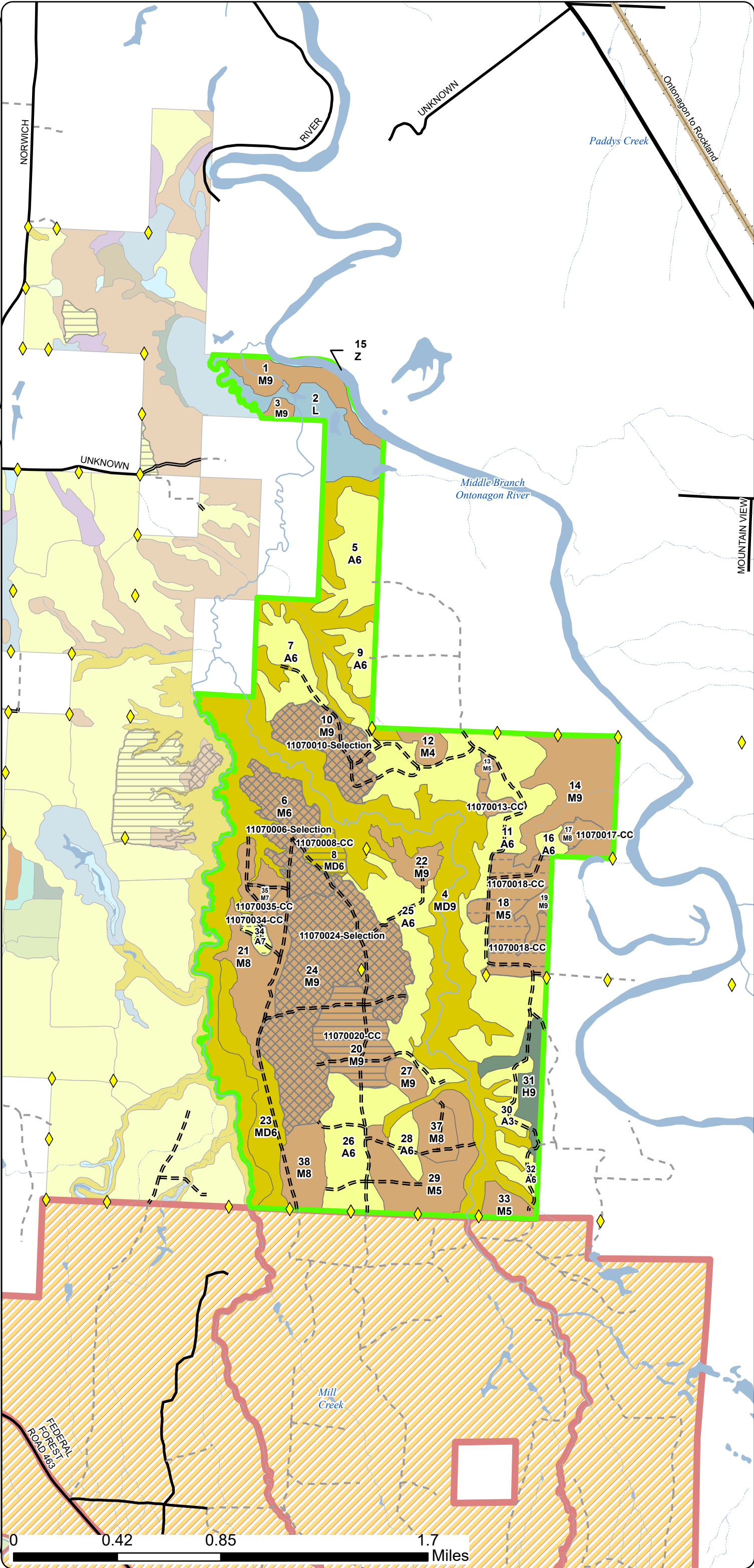
- Base feature information, stand boundaries, cover types, and numbers**
- Proposed treatments**
- Site condition boundaries**
- Details on the road access system**

Cover Type & Treatments Map

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Unit: Baraga
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YOE: 2027
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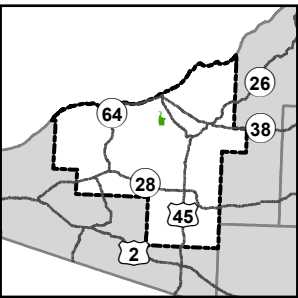


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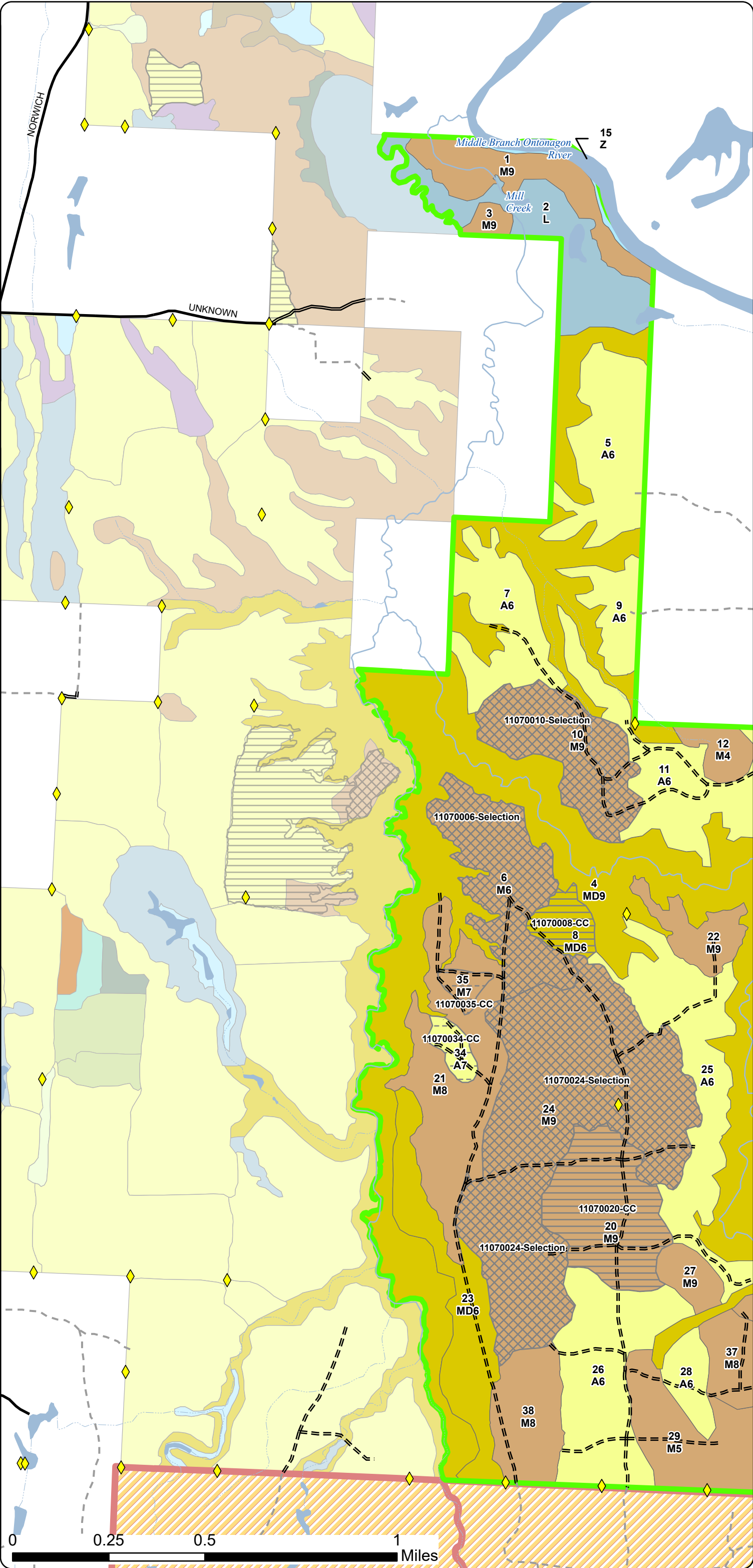


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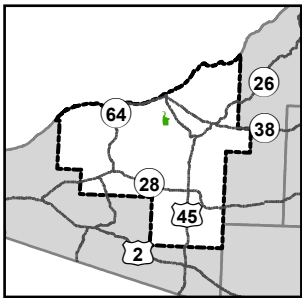
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















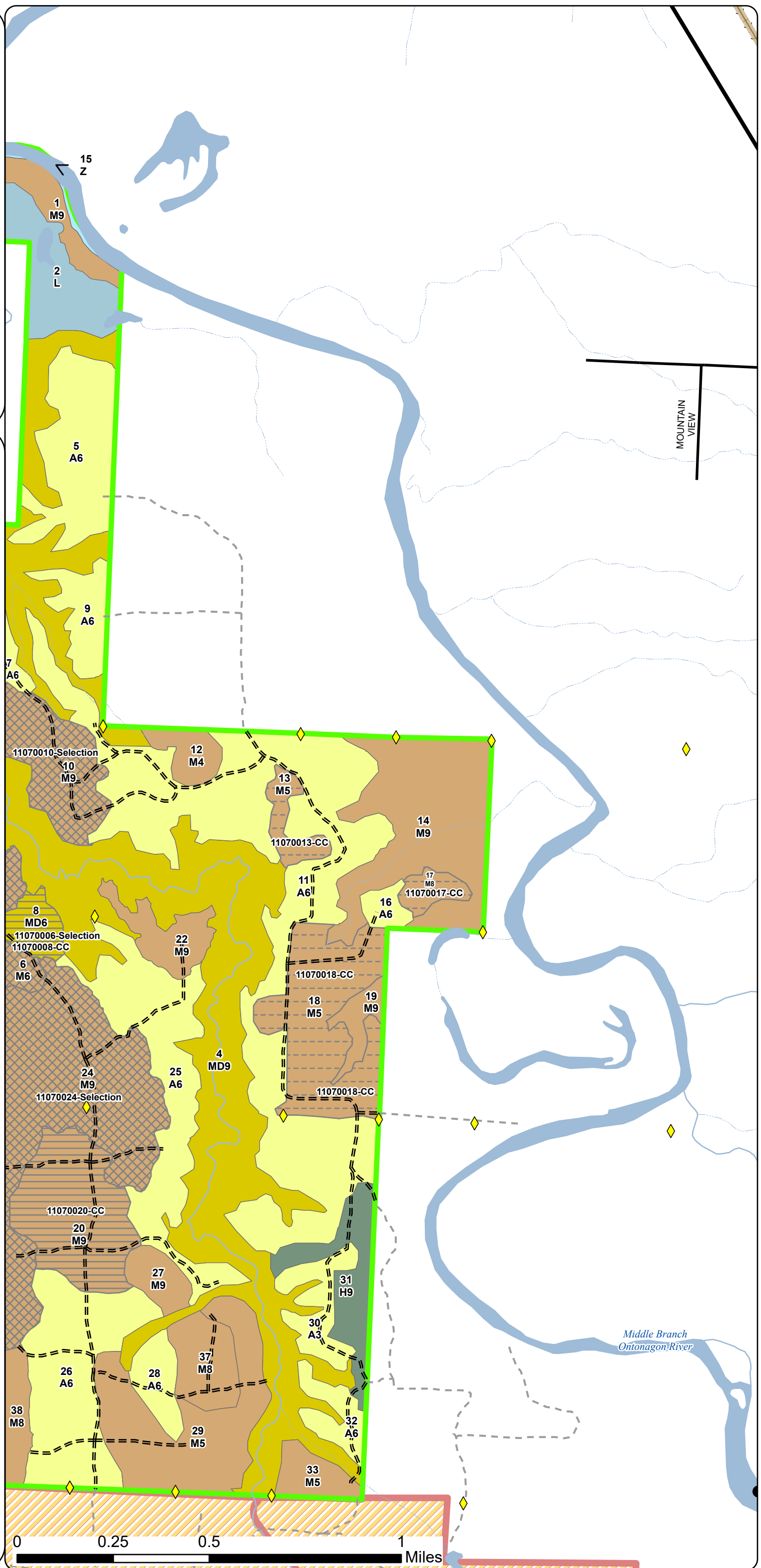
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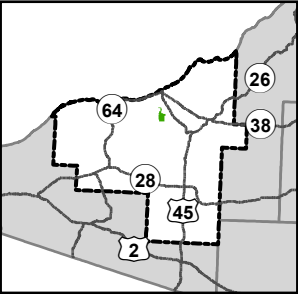


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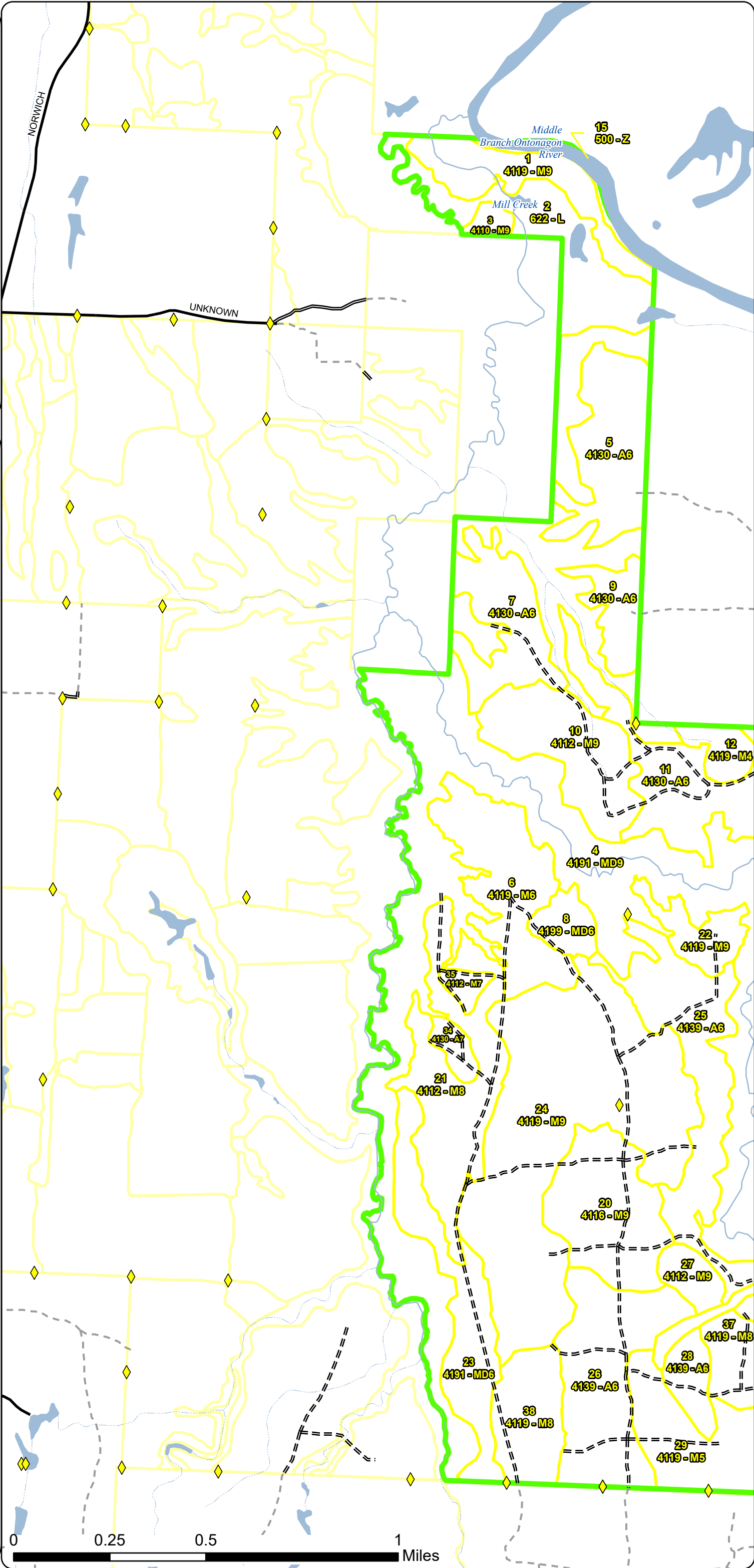


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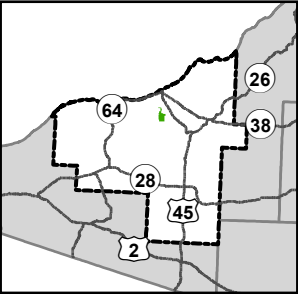


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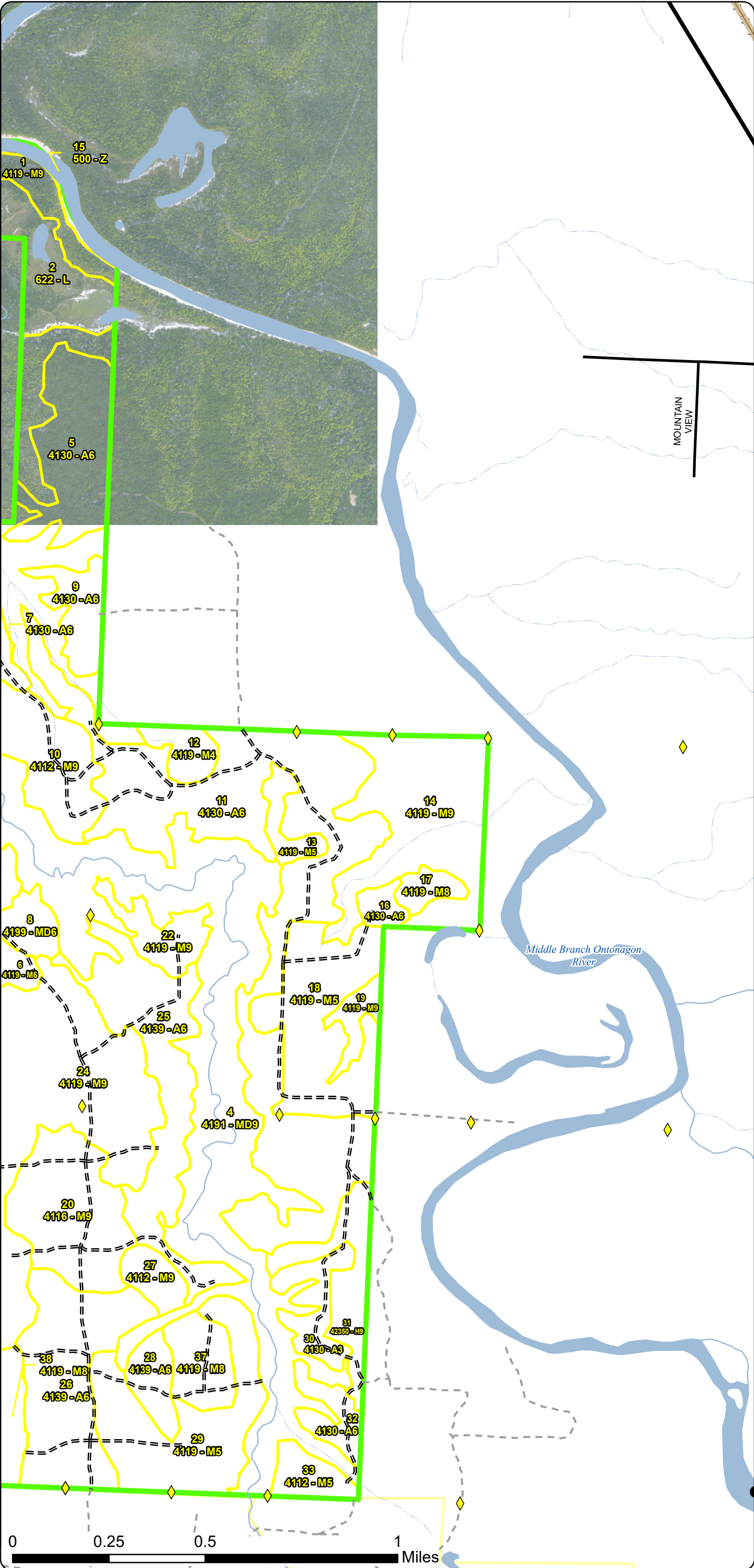


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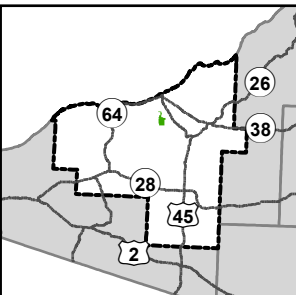


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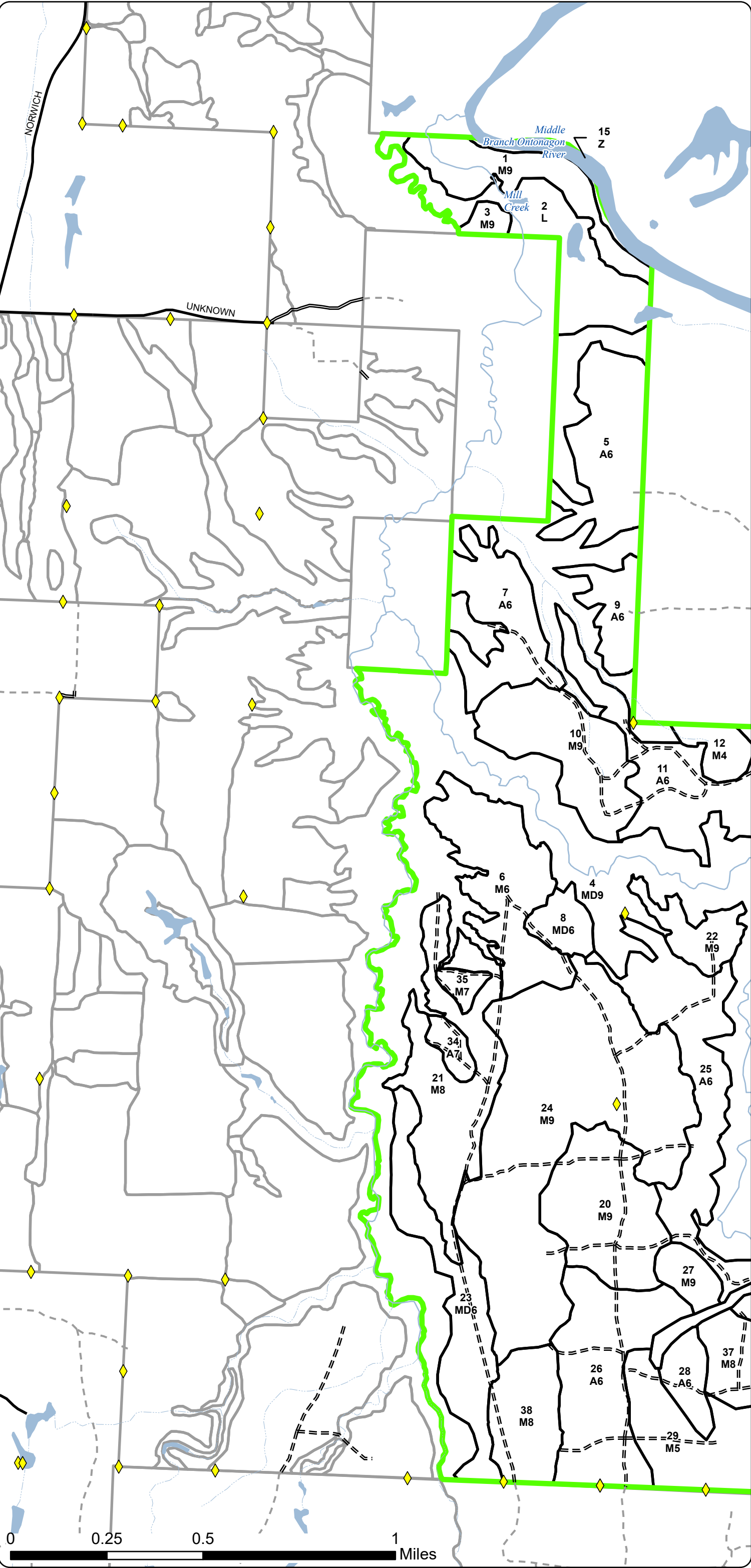


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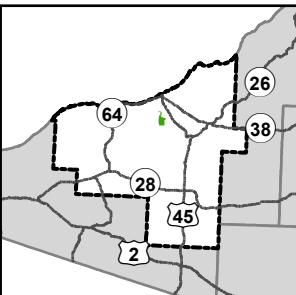


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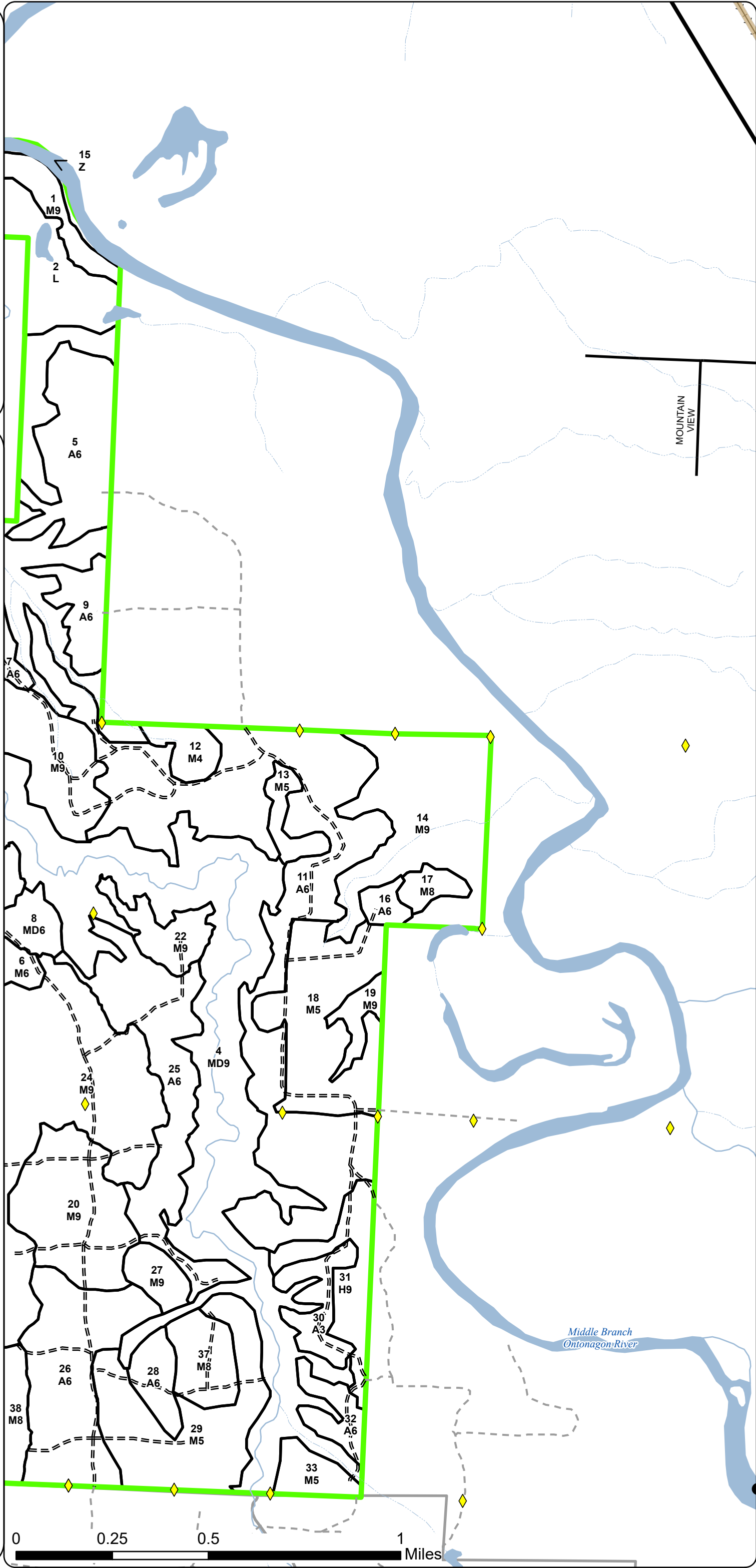


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Report 1 – Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class



Age Class

	Non-Forest	0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	100-109	110-119	120-129	130-139	140-149	150+	Uneven-Aged	Total
Aspen	0	0	0	0	388	79	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	567
Hemlock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
Lowland Shrub	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58
Mixed Upland Deciduous	0	0	0	0	0	14	58	0	0	507	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	579
Northern Hardwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	240	85	0	101	45	0	0	0	0	0	434	905
Water	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Total	67	0	0	0	388	93	158	240	85	507	101	76	0	0	0	0	0	434	2149



Report 2 – Treatment Summary

Baraga Mgt. Unit
Year of Entry: 2027

Acres of Harvest

Compartment 70
Total Compartment Acres: 2,147

Commercial Harvest - 926
Harvests with Site Condition - 0
Next Step Harvest - 0
Habitat Cut - 0

Cover Type by Harvest Method

	Clearcut	Selection	Patch Clearcut	Seed Tree	Shelterwood	Thinning	Overstory Removal	Salvage	Other	Total Acres
Aspen	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	8
Mixed Upland Deciduous	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Northern Hardwood	63	326	0	0	0	0	99	0	0	488
Total	77	326	0	0	0	0	107	0	0	510

Proposed and Next Step Treatments by Method

	Harvest	Site Prep	Planting	Seeding	Burning	Pesticide	Monitoring	Other	Non-Forest Mgt.	Total Acres
Current	510	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	510
Next Step	0	0	0	0	0	0	414	0	0	414
Total	510	0	0	0	0	0	414	0	0	923



Standard

Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Habitat Cut
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Approved Treatments:

6	11070006-Selection	65.3	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	6	73	111-140	Harvest	Selection	411 - Northern Hardwood	Current	No
<u>Prescription Specs:</u> Selectively thin hardwoods to 70-90 square feet of basal area. Target large diameter trees for removal first to lower overall stand diameter, retaining one legacy tree per acre. Favor red oak, hemlock, white pine and cedar, where present. Red oak and black											
<u>Next Step Treatments:</u> Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory)											
<u>Acceptable Regen:</u> Any combination of the original stand's over story species prior to harvest.											
<u>Other Comment:</u>											
<u>Site Condition:</u>											
<u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026											
8	11070008-CC	13.9	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	6	48	81-110	Harvest	Clearcut	413 - Aspen	Planting Record	No
<u>Prescription Specs:</u> Harvest all species down to 4.6 inches DBH, except basswood, < 8 inches DBH. Also reserve hemlock, red pine, white pine, yellow birch, cedar and red oak if they are present, and reserve all trees 22" Dbh or greater.											
<u>Next Step Treatments:</u> Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory)											
<u>Acceptable Regen:</u> Any combination of the original stand's over story species prior to harvest.											
<u>Other Comment:</u>											
<u>Site Condition:</u>											
<u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026											
10	11070010-Selection	58.6	4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association	9	98	111-140	Harvest	Selection	411 - Northern Hardwood	Current	No
<u>Prescription Specs:</u> Selectively thin hardwoods to 70-90 square feet of basal area. Target large diameter trees for removal first to lower overall stand diameter, retaining one legacy tree per acre. Favor red oak, hemlock, white pine and cedar, where present. Red oak and black											
<u>Next Step Treatments:</u> Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory)											
<u>Acceptable Regen:</u> Any combination of the original stand's over story species prior to harvest.											
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Standard

Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Habitat Cut
13 11070013-CC	11.6	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	5	98	81-110	Harvest	Overstory Removal	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Planting Record	No
<u>Prescription</u> Harvest all trees 4.6" DBH and larger except, hemlock, cedar, white pine, yellow birch, red oak and elm, if present. In addition sugar maple < 13" <u>Specs:</u> DBH, basswood < 8" DBH, and all trees > 22" should also be reserved. <u>Next Step</u> Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) <u>Treatments:</u> <u>Acceptable</u> <u>Regen:</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Comment:</u> <u>Site Condition:</u> <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026										
17 11070017-CC	9.0	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	8	98	81-110	Harvest	Overstory Removal	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Planting Record	No
<u>Prescription</u> Harvest all trees 4.6" DBH and larger except, hemlock, cedar, white pine, yellow birch, red oak and elm, if present. In addition sugar maple < 13" <u>Specs:</u> DBH, basswood < 8" DBH, and all trees > 22" should also be reserved. <u>Next Step</u> <u>Treatments:</u> <u>Acceptable</u> <u>Regen:</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Comment:</u> <u>Site Condition:</u> <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026										
18 11070018-CC	72.7	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	5	98	81-110	Harvest	Overstory Removal	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Planting Record	No
<u>Prescription</u> Harvest all trees 4.6" DBH and larger except, hemlock, cedar, white pine, yellow birch, red oak and elm, if present. In addition sugar maple < 13" <u>Specs:</u> DBH, basswood < 8" DBH, and all trees > 22" should also be reserved. <u>Next Step</u> <u>Treatments:</u> <u>Acceptable</u> <u>Regen:</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Comment:</u> <u>Site Condition:</u> <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026										



S t a n d	Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Habitat Cut
20	11070020-CC	62.7	4116 - Mixed N. Hardwood - Aspen	9	60	81-110	Harvest	Clearcut	413 - Aspen	Planting Record	No
<u>Prescription</u> Harvest all trees 4.6" DBH and larger except, hemlock, cedar, white pine, yellow birch, red oak and elm, if present. In addition sugar maple < 13" <u>Specs:</u> DBH and all trees > 22" should also be reserved. If no basswood are larger than 22" DBH then reserve to a <u>Next Step</u> Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) <u>Treatments:</u> <u>Acceptable</u> Any combination of the original stand's over story species prior to harvest. <u>Regen:</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Comment:</u> <u>Site Condition:</u> <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026											
24	11070024- Selection	201.8	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	9	69	111- 140	Harvest	Selection	411 - Northern Hardwood	Current	No
<u>Prescription</u> Selectively thin hardwoods to 70-90 square feet of basal area. Target large diameter trees for removal first to lower overall stand diameter, <u>Specs:</u> retaining one legacy tree per acre. Favor red oak, hemlock, white pine and cedar, where present. Red oak and black <u>Next Step</u> Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) <u>Treatments:</u> <u>Acceptable</u> Any combination of the original stand's over story species prior to harvest. <u>Regen:</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Comment:</u> <u>Site Condition:</u> <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026											
34	11070034-CC	8.0	4130 - Aspen	7	55	1-50	Harvest	Overstory Removal	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Planting Record	No
<u>Prescription</u> Remove the overstory from advance regeneration, additional aspen regen should result from the aspen harvested that is present in the overstory <u>Specs:</u> <u>Next Step</u> <u>Treatments:</u> <u>Acceptable</u> <u>Regen:</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Comment:</u> <u>Site Condition:</u> <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026											
35	11070035-CC	5.9	4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association	7	73	51-80	Harvest	Overstory Removal	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Current	No
<u>Prescription</u> Harvest all trees 4.6" DBH and larger except all conifer species, red oak and elm. <u>Specs:</u> <u>Next Step</u> <u>Treatments:</u> <u>Acceptable</u> <u>Regen:</u> <u>Other</u> <u>Comment:</u> <u>Site Condition:</u> <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026											

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Report 3 -- Treatments

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Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Habitat Cut
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Total Treatment
Acreage Proposed: 509.5

Report 4 – Site Conditions

Baraga Mgt. Unit
Ryan Mattila: Examiner

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Availability for Management

Total Acres	Acres Available	Acres Available With Condition	Acres Not Available	Dominant Site Conditions	2F	2H	3B	3J
567	567	0	0	Aspen				
31	31	0	0	Hemlock				
58	58	0	0	Lowland Shrub				
578	72	0	507	Mixed Upland Deciduous				507
887	739	0	148	Northern Hardwood	101	45	2	
9	9	0	0	Water				
2,130	1,475		655	Total Forested Acres	101	45	2	507
	69%		31%	Relative Percent				

**Due to limitations in the current Site Conditions Analysis tool, all nonforested acres are considered available. Future development will enable analysis of nonforested types.*

Site No.	Dominant Site Cond	Dominant Site Availability	Dominant Site Condition	Acres	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition
1	Unavailable		3J: Water quality/BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	508	2F: Too steep	2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues)	3A: Conservation values incompatible with harvest at this time	5E: Long-Term Retention
Comments:								
2	Unavailable		2F: Too steep	91	2F: Too steep	3J: Water quality/BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	Unspecified	Unspecified
Comments:								
3	Unavailable		2F: Too steep	10	3J: Water quality/BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	3A: Conservation values incompatible with harvest at this time	Unspecified	Unspecified
Comments:								

Report 4 – Site Conditions

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Ryan Mattila: Examiner

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4	Unavailable	2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)	6	2E: Road needed	2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)	3J: Water quality/BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	Unspecified
Comments:							
5	Unavailable	2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)	40	2E: Road needed	2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)	3J: Water quality/BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	Unspecified
Comments:							
6	Unavailable	3B: Threatened, endangered, and special concern species	2	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
Comments: Goshawk nest buffer.							

Mgt. Unit

Compartment: #Type!
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Report 5 – PROPOSED SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA* (SCA) DETAILS

* This is a partial list of SCAs for this compartment. Not included are those areas identified under other Department initiatives (Natural Rivers, Deer Wintering Areas, etc.). Those will be identified in separate, future map and report products.

SCA Name	SCA Category	Detail Type	Recommendation	Acres
Comments				



Stand	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	Managed Site	General Comments		
1	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	Sawtimber Well	39.5	101	111-140	N/A	2025 - stand not visited during 2025 inventory2015 - Flat along Ontonagon River. Area floods in spring (5'water marks on trees).		
Canopy Species		% Cover	Size Class	DBH	Age	Sub-Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size
Silver Maple		5		14		Sugar Maple		Medium	10 - 20 feet
Northern White Cedar		5		10		Black Ash		Medium	>20 feet
Boxelder		5		12					
Sugar Maple		65		16	101				
Red Maple		5		17					
Basswood		5		17					
White Ash		5		12					
Black Ash		5	Seedling	8					
2	622 - Lowland Shrub	None	57.9			No	2025 - Stand not visited during 2025 inventory2015 - Sparse lowland trees.		
3	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	Sawtimber Well	5.5	101	111-140	N/A	2025 - Stand not visited during 2025 inventory2015 - River bottom hdwd.		
Canopy Species		% Cover	Size Class	DBH	Age	Sub-Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size
Basswood		5		14		Balsam Fir		Low	10 - 20 feet
Sugar Maple		94		14	101	Ironwood		Full	10 - 20 feet
Yellow Birch		1		12		Sugar Maple		Medium	10 - 20 feet
						Black Cherry		Low	>20 feet
4	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Sawtimber Well	506.7	81	111-140	N/A	Steep slopes. Bmp.		
Canopy Species		% Cover	Size Class	DBH	Age	Sub-Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size
White Pine		10		16		Sugar Maple		Medium	Variable
Yellow Birch		5		10		Red Maple		Full	Variable
Quaking Aspen		19		12		Balsam Fir		Full	Variable
Sugar Maple		10		10		Ironwood		Full	10 - 20 feet
Red Maple		31		10	81				
Balsam Fir		5	Seedling	8					
White Spruce		5		12					
Hemlock		15		12					
5	4130 - Aspen	Poletimber Well	56.7	31	Immature	N/A	cut in 1994		
Canopy Species		% Cover	Size Class	DBH	Age	Sub-Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size
White Ash		5	Sapling	6		Black Cherry		Low	10 - 20 feet
Quaking Aspen		84	Sapling	5	31	Sugar Maple		Low	10 - 20 feet
Red Oak		1		14		Balsam Fir		Low	10 - 20 feet
Red Maple		10	Sapling	5		White Spruce		Low	10 - 20 feet
						Ironwood		Low	10 - 20 feet





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14	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	Sawtimber Well	91.0	98	111-140	N/A	2025 - Stand not visited during 2025 inventory2015 - Steep slopes along Ontonagon river and river bottom hdwd.Potential Type 2 old growth. Sensitive soils.			
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Basswood		10		12		White Spruce		Full	>20 feet	>20 feet
White Ash		10		14		Northern White Cedar		Low	>20 feet	>20 feet
Black Ash		15	Seedling	5		Hemlock		High	>20 feet	>20 feet
American Elm		2	Seedling	6		White Ash		Full	Variable	Variable
Yellow Birch		10		8		Black Ash		Full	>20 feet	>20 feet
Quaking Aspen		1		16		Balsam Fir		Full	>20 feet	>20 feet
Sugar Maple		20		9		Sugar Maple		Full	Variable	Variable
Red Maple		25		9	98	Red Maple		Full	Variable	Variable
White Pine		1		16		Yellow Birch		High	>20 feet	>20 feet
White Spruce		1		14						
Northern White Cedar		1		12						
Hemlock		4		16						
15	500 - Water	None	8.6			No		Ontonagon River		
16	4130 - Aspen	Poletimber Well	7.4	31	Immature	N/A	2015 - was cut in 1994Log size oak is dying.			
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Quaking Aspen		84	Sapling	5	31					
White Ash		4	Sapling	5						
Red Oak		2		14						
Red Maple		10	Sapling	5						
17	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	Sawtimber Medium	9.0	98	81-110	N/A	2015 - Kidney Hdws 11-019-07-01 TCR 9/16/2011			
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38	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	Sawtimber Medium	37.5	69	81-110	N/A	Part of Skeleton Hdws, Winter 2018 Selection cut, Backbone Hdwd, completed 9/2000.		
Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH	Age	Sub-Canopy Species	Density		Avg. Height	Size
Red Oak	1		14		Balsam Fir	Low		10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet
Hemlock	1		14		Yellow Birch	Medium		Variable	Variable
Basswood	15		12		Ironwood	Full		10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet
White Ash	5		14		Basswood	Low		>20 feet	>20 feet
Sugar Maple	43		12	69	White Ash	Full		10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet
Red Maple	30		12		Sugar Maple	Full		Variable	Variable
Yellow Birch	5		10		Red Maple	Full		Variable	Variable