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Compartment Review Presentation

Baraga Forest Management Unit

Compartment 11060 Entry Year: 2027 Acreage: 1,257

County: Houghton

Management Area: Houghton Hardwoods

Stand Examiner: Ryan Mattila

Legal Description:

T53N, R33W, Sections 16, 20, 21, 28, 29

Identified Planning Goals:

The lands in this compartment are managed as part of the Sturgeon River Sloughs Wildlife Area.

Soil and topography:

This compartment is level. Most of the soils are Dawson peat. There is some Arnheim silt loam and Tawas – Roscommon muck on the west and east edges.

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

The lands around this compartment are farm lands, with some timber management on the upland.

Unique Natural Features:

Loon, Common moorhen, American bittern and Bigmouth shiner have been documented in the compartment. Potential for bald eagle, osprey, great blue heron rookery, wood turtle, moose, and wolf.

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

There is a HAL hit that should not affect any management activities.

Special Management Designations or Considerations:

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

This compartment contains a small unnamed Sturgeon River oxbow lake and a ditch connected to the Sturgeon River. No specific comments other than follow BMP's.

Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

This compartment features lowland brush, tamarack, and other swamp conifers north of 7 impoundments at the Sturgeon River Sloughs Wildlife Area, and is very wet. Timber harvest should be minimized and the area retained primarily in its natural state.

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

Surface sediments consist of peat and muck and minor coarse-textured glacial till. The glacial drift thickness varies between 10 and 50 feet. The Precambrian Jacobsville Sandstone subcrops below the glacial drift. The Jacobsville was previously used as a building stone and was quarried just to the south. The closest gravel pit is located in Section 18 to the west, but there may be potential on the uplands. Abandoned copper mines are located seven miles to the northwest. The Compartment has not been leased for metallic exploration. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP.

Vehicle Access:

Access is poor. The east edge touches a county road in Section 28.

Survey Needs:

Survey will be needed if any harvest activities are prescribed.

Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:

Snowmobile trail 15 uses the west spoil bank of the ditch. The area is used some by hunters.

Fire Protection:

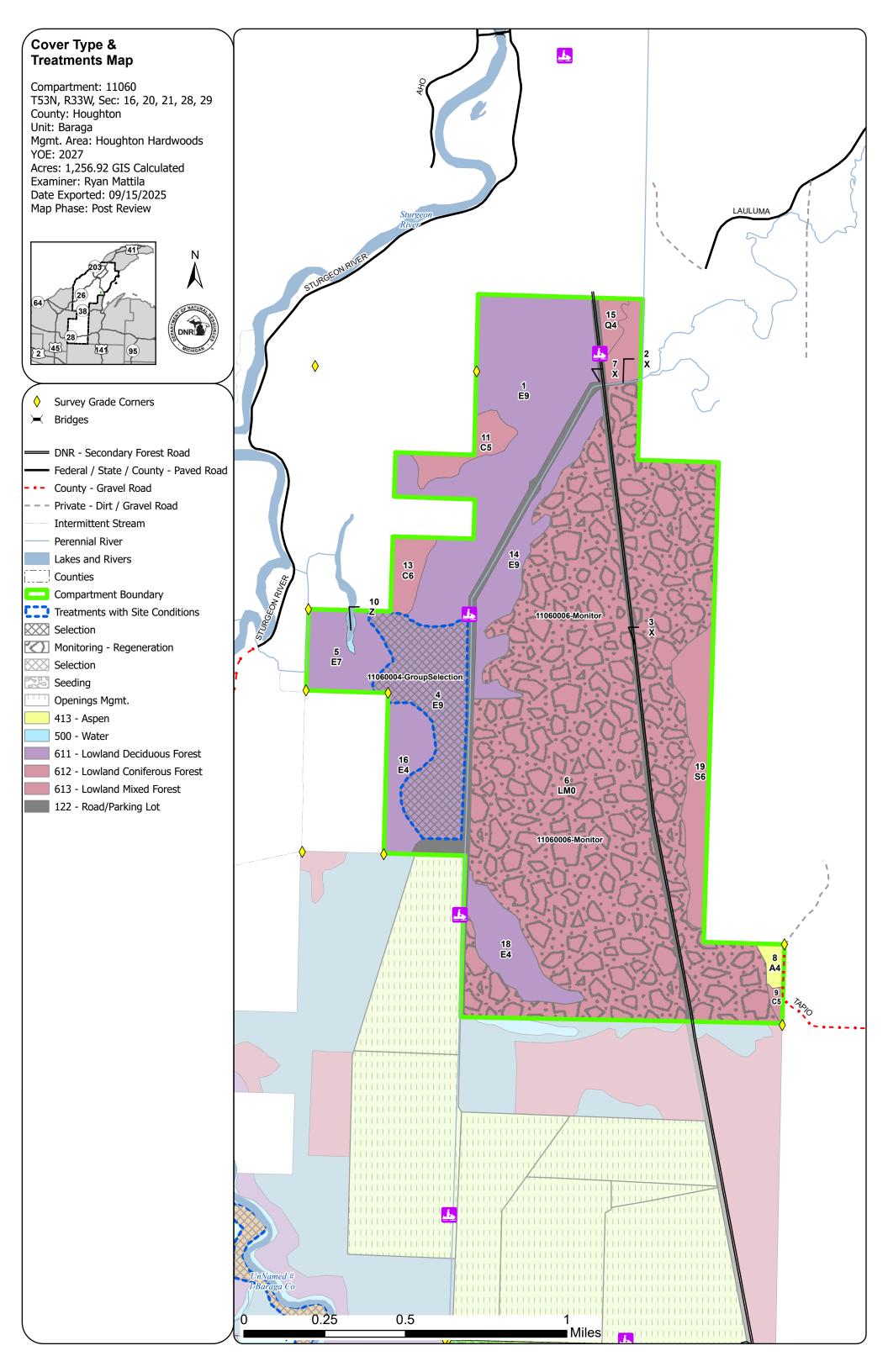
This is not a fire prone area however historical fires have had ground fire associated with them. This area has poor access for fire equipment.

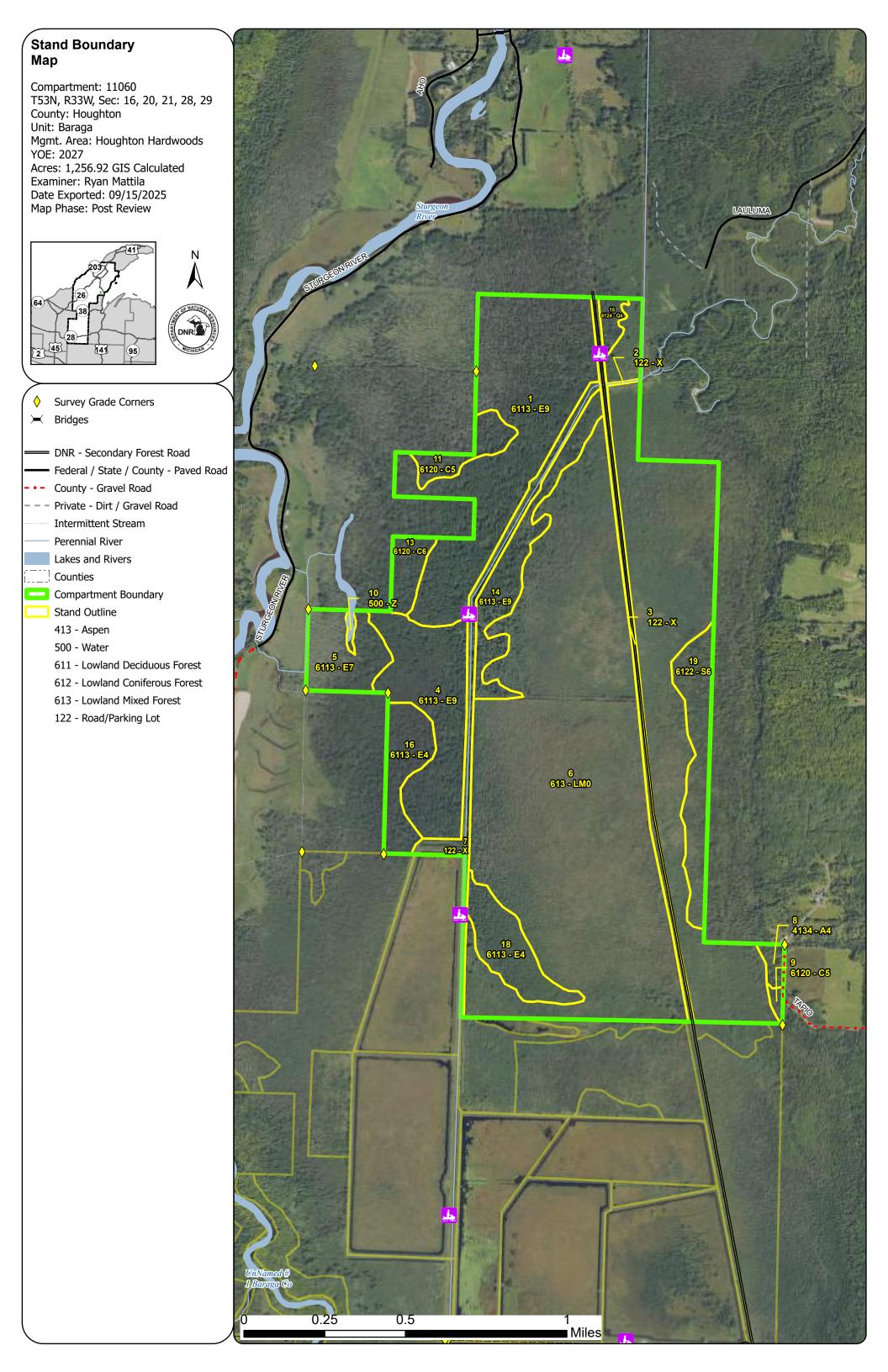
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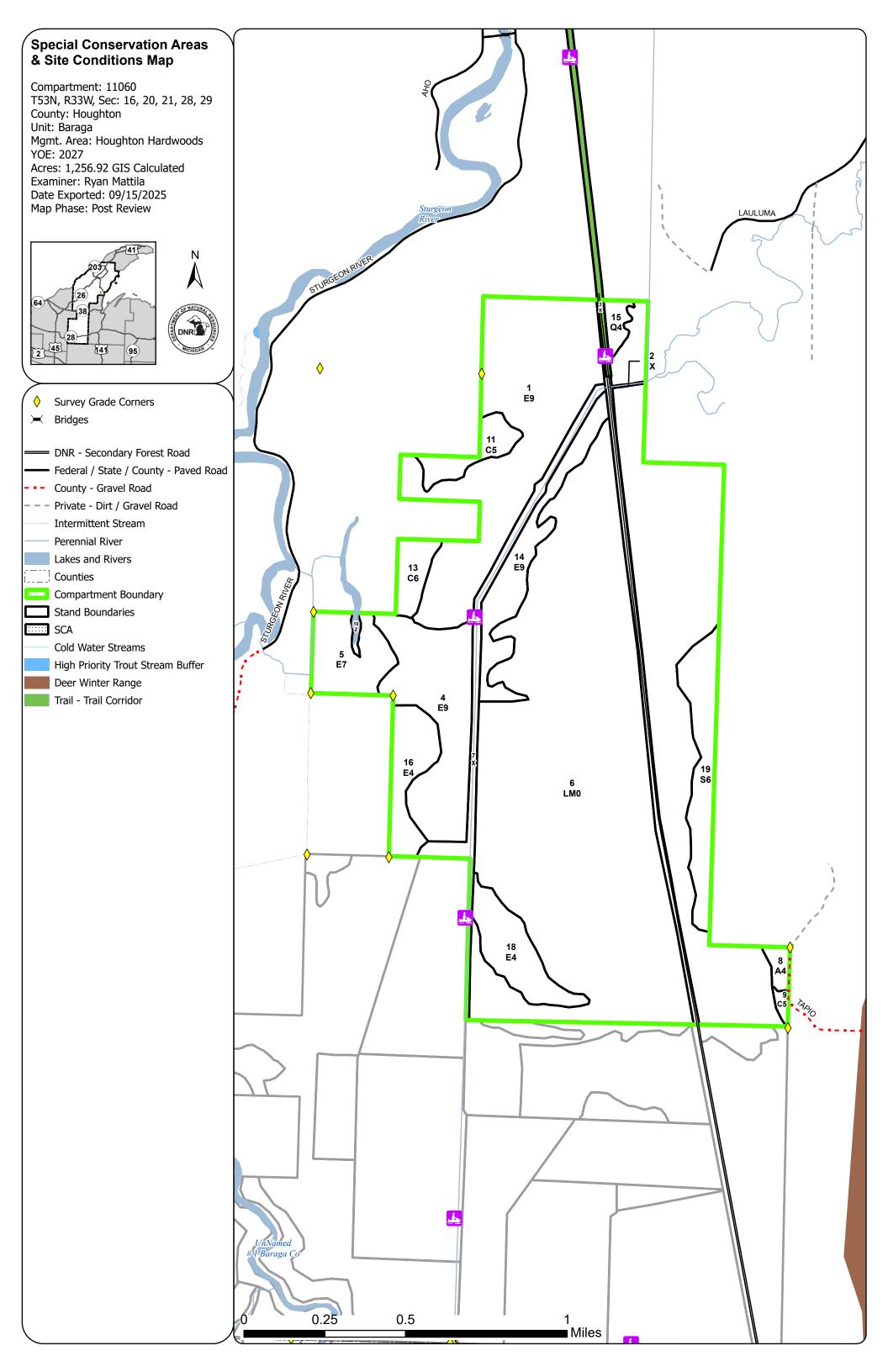
The following reports from the Inventory are attached:

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







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Compartment 60 Year of Entry 2027



Age Class

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Aspen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Cedar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	16	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	32
Lowland Conifers	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Lowland Deciduous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	82	246	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	392
Lowland Mixed Forest	718	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	718
Lowland Spruce/Fir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	43
Urban	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57
Water	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total	777	0	0	0	0	0	7	37	82	262	0	0	77	15	0	0	0	0	1256



Report 2 – Treatment Summary

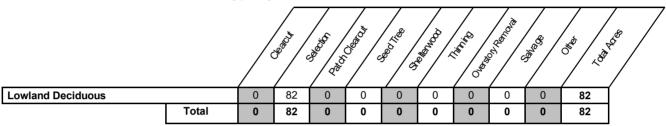
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Acres of Harvest

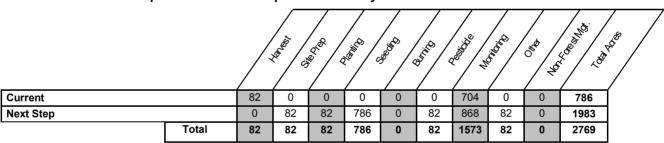
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Total Compartment Acres: 1,257

Commercial Harvest Harvests with Site Condition - 656
Next Step Harvest - 0
Habitat Cut - 0

Cover Type by Harvest Method



Proposed and Next Step Treatments by Method



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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

Approved Treatments:

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4	11060004- GroupSelectio n	82.0	6113 - Lowland Maple	9	79	81-110	Harvest	Selection	611 - Lowland Deciduous Forest	Cutting Record	No
Pres Spe		,	greater than 8" dbh ex nave the potential of b	•		,			ve tree mark large diar n 2-4 per acre	meter decidud	ous trees

Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Intermediate); Seeding, Hand Seed; Pesticide, Skidder - Site Prep; Other, Regeneration Fencing; Planting, Treatments: Hardwood - Seedling; Monitoring, Natural Regen (Intermediate); SitePrep, Scarification

Any tree species that are currently represented in the over story.

Regen:

Other Comment:

<u>Site Condition:</u> No Markets <u>Proposed Start Date:</u> 10/01/2026

6	11060006-	704.4 613 - Lowland Mixed	0	20	Monitoring	Monitoring -	612 - Lowland	Planting	No
	Monitor	Forest			•	Regeneration	Coniferous	Record	
							Forest		

<u>Prescription</u> Check stand with snow off conditions for regeneration

Specs:

Next Step Seeding, Aerial Seed; Monitoring, Direct Seeding

Treatments:

Acceptable Any tree species at any density will be acceptable to FRD as this area has historically been un-harvestable

Regen:

Other Comment:

Site Condition:

Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2026

Total Treatment 786.4 Acreage Proposed:

Report 4 – Site Conditions

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Availa	ability for	Managemer	nt					
Total	Acres	Acres Avail	Acres		Domina	nt Site	e Con	ditions
Acres	Available	With Condition	Not Available		4A	2G	2H	3L
5	5	0	0	Aspen				
33	2	0	31	Cedar				31
7	0	0	7	Lowland Conifers			7	
392	65	249	78	Lowland Deciduous	249		78	
718	718	0	0	Lowland Mixed Forest				
43	0	0	43	Lowland Spruce/Fir		43		
57	57	0	0	Urban				
2	2	0	0	Water				
1,257	849	249	159	Total Forested Acres	249	43	84	31
-	68%	20%	13%	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.

Comment	nts:	4A: No markets available for these forest products	82	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
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	ailable	4A: No markets available for these forest products	167	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
Comment	nts:						
Unava	vailable	2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)	78	4A: No markets available for these forest products	2C: Engineered bridge needed (Dept. portable bridge not available or inadequate)	2B: Unknown if access through adjacent landowner(s) is possible	2E: Road needed
Comment	nts:						

Report 4 – Site Conditions

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4	Unavailable	2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)	7	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
	Comments:						
5	Unavailable	3L: Other wildlife concerns	16	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
	Comments: Arnheim, Wild Life	Management Area					
6	Unavailable	3L: Other wildlife concerns	15	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
	Comments: Arnheim, Wild Life	Management Area					
19	Unavailable	2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues)	43	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
	Comments:						

Mgt. Unit Compartment: #Type!
Year of Entry:

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	d Level 4 Co	1 Cover Type		Cover Type	Cover Type		Size Density	Acres	Stand Age B	A Range	Managed S	iite	General Comments
1	6113 - Lov	wland Maple	е	Sawtimber Well	167.3	88	81-110	N/A	A	2025 - stand is experiencing areas of wind throw, most of the stand			
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH Age	Sub-Car	opy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	appears to be harvestable if access can be found.2015 - Stand resembles more of an E6 than E9 based upon quality. Poor quality			
	Silver Maple	78		14 88	Ва	sam Fir	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	timber.Wetter ground. Might be able to harvest some if access is			
	Red Maple	15		12	Та	g Alder	High	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	possible and WLD wishes. If management is possible, consider a			
	Balsam Fir	1	Seedling	8	Mich	gan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	diameter harvest. SITE INDEX FROM OIPC: TAMARACK 52			
	White Spruce	1	Seedling	8						-			
No	orthern White Cedar	5	Seedling	8									
2	122 - Road	d/Parking Lo	ot	None	0.4			Yes	5	ARNHEIM DITCH and SPOIL BANK			
3	122 - Road	d/Parking Lo	ot	None	24.1			No		Railroad grade. 100 ft wide R-O-W. This land may not be state owned.			
4	6113 - Lo	wland Maple	e	Sawtimber Well	82.0	79	81-110	N/A	λ.	High mortality in the tamarack. Poor quality wood, wet ground. BA 110			
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH Age	Sub-Car	opy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	50, 70.			
No	orthern White Cedar	1	Seedling	6	Silve	er Maple	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet	*			
	Red Maple	18		13	Mich	gan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet				
	Silver Maple	81		13 79	Та	g Alder	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet				
5	6113 - Lo	wland Maple	е	Sawtimber Poor	34.6	85	1-50	N/A	١	Poor quality timber, the back ash that was a component in this area has died out and the area has experienced wind throw resulting in a open			
	Canopy Species		Size Class	DBH Age	Sub-Car	opy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	stand of sparce maple			
	Red Maple	15		14	Mich	gan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet				
	Silver Maple	85		16 85	Та	g Alder	High	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet				
6	613 - Lowlan	d Mixed Fo	rest	Unspecifed	717.7	20				Tag alder with scattered maple - stand was a Tamarack stand that has			
					Sub-Car	nopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	been killed by larch beetle.			
					Та	g Alder	Full	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet				
					Мар	le (spp.)	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet				
7	122 - Road	d/Parking Lo	ot	None	32.5			Yes	5	ARNHEIM DITCH and SPOIL BANK			
8	4134 - Aspe	en, Spruce/	Fir	Poletimber Poor	5.3	65	1-50	N/A	1	2025 - South half of stand was cut in 2017ish "Tapio Tamarack Salvage" the cut was not a clean clear cut and there is a lot of residual			
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	-	Sub-Car	opy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	pole size trees left2011: Tamarack on upland old field, spruce and			
	Red Maple	15	Sapling	6	Quak	ing Aspen	Medium	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	cedar on the slope and edge of swamp.			
	Balsam Fir	25	Seedling	8	Та	g Alder	Medium	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet				
	Quaking Aspen	60	Seedling	8 65	Whit	e Spruce	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet				
,					Mich	gan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	*			

Report 7 - Stands



Stand	Level 4 C	over Type		Size Density	Acre	s Stand Age I	BA Range	Managed S	ite	General Comments		
9	6120 - Lo	wland Ceda	ır Po	oletimber Medi	ım 2.4	65	51-80	N/A	\	2018: Old trail to RR grade passes through the stand. Lots of mortality		
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH Age	Sub-	Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	in the tamarack. Stand was split from treatment to the north due to wet ground.		
	Red Maple	2	Sapling	6		Balsam Fir	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	9		
	Balsam Fir	5	Seedling	8		Tag Alder	Medium	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
	Tamarack	20	Seedling	8 65	V	/hite Spruce	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet			
	White Spruce	13	Seedling	8	M	ichigan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
No	orthern White Cedar	50	Seedling	8 65								
	Quaking Aspen	10	Seedling	8								
10	500	- Water		None	1.8			No	1			
11	6120 - Lo	wland Ceda	ır Po	oletimber Mediu	ım 16.4	4 87	81-110	N/A	A	Cedar stand. Wet ground.		
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH Age	Sub-	Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size			
	Red Maple	5		9	North	ern White Cedar	Medium	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet			
No	orthern White Cedar	80	Seedling	8 87	M	ichigan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
	Silver Maple	15		9		Tag Alder	High	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
13	6120 - Lo	wland Ceda	ır l	Poletimber We	l 14.	5 120	111-140	N/A	١	Cedar stand. Wetter ground.		
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH Age	Sub-	Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size			
	Silver Maple	20	Seedling	8		Tag Alder	High	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
	Red Maple	10	Seedling	8	North	ern White Cedar	Medium	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet			
No	orthern White Cedar	70	Seedling	8 120	M	ichigan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
14	6113 - Lo	wland Maple	е :	Sawtimber We	l 43.5	5 83	111-140	N/A	١	Poor quality. Wet ground. Most likely operable. Access is an issue.		
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH Age	Sub-	Canopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	Some mortality in the tamarack.		
	Red Maple	20		10		Tag Alder	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
	Silver Maple	80		12 83	M	ichigan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
15	6124 - Lowl	and Spruce	-Fir F	Poletimber Poo	r 6.8	55 l	Jnspecified	N/A	٨	Wet ground along RR grade.		
	Canopy Species		Size Class	DBH Age		Canopy Species		Avg. Height	Size			
	Red Maple	5	Seedling	8		Tag Alder	High	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet			
	Balsam Fir	40	Sapling	6 55		Balsam Fir	Medium	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet			
	Silver Maple	30	Seedling	8 55								
	Black Spruce	10	Sapling	6								
No	orthern White Cedar	15	Sapling	6								

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Stand	Level 4 C	over Type		Size De	ensity	Acres	Stand Age E	BA Range	Managed S	Site	General Comments
16	6113 - Lo	wland Mapl	e	Poletimb	er Poor	30.2	61	1-50	N/A	4	Poor quality timber. BA Range 20, 40, 60. Sparse silver maple poles
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH	I Age	Sub-Ca	nopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	with a full understory of tag alder. Wet.
	Silver Maple	78	Seedling	9	61	Ta	ag Alder	Full	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	
	Balsam Fir	1	Seedling	9				'			<u>-</u>
	Red Maple	15	Seedling	9							
	White Spruce	1	Seedling	9							
No	orthern White Cedar	5	Seedling	9							
18	6113 - Lo	wland Mapl	е	Poletimb	er Poor	34.1	111	1-50	N/A	4	2015 - Some mortality in the tamarack throughout the stand. Wetter
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH	I Age	Sub-Ca	nopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	ground than the stand to the east.The south part of the stand gets guite wet and heavier to small diameter tamarack.
	Red Maple	20	Seedling	9		Silv	ver Maple	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet	quite wet and neavier to small diameter tamaraot.
	Silver Maple	80		12	111	Re	ed Maple	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet	
		1				Ta	ag Alder	High	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	
19	6122 - BI	lack Spruce	;	Poletimb	er Well	43.3	111	81-110	N/A	4	Should be operable ground. Access is an issue. The tamarack is in
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH	I Age	Sub-Ca	nopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	decline. Not much tag alder in the understory. Wet pockets throughout the stand. Left for a wildlife corridor. WLD managed lands.
	Tamarack	1		10		Ва	alsam Fir	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet	the stand. Estrict a whalle services. WEB managed lands.
	Black Spruce	79	Seedling	9	111	Bla	ck Spruce	Medium	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet	
No	orthern White Cedar	15	Seedling	6		Mich	nigan Holly	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	
	Red Maple	5	Seedling	8		Re	ed Maple	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet	
		'		'		Pa	per Birch	Low	10 - 20 feet	10 - 20 feet	
						Ta	ag Alder	Low	5 - 10 feet	5 - 10 feet	