

## COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS



### Newberry Forest Management Unit

2013 Year-of-Entry

Location: Newberry Corrections Training Room

December 16, 2011

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, FMD; Recorder: Sharolynn Robinson, FMD; Steve Milford, FMD; Keith Magnusson, FMD; Jason Tokar, FMD; Jason Darling, FMD; Tori Irving, FMD; Paul Gaberdiel, FMD; Dan Moore, FMD; Don Kuhr, FMD; Amy Douglass, FMD; Kristie Sitar, WLD; Penney Melchoir, WLD; Jennifer Burnham, FMD; Ryan Mattila, FMD; Cory Kovacs, FSH

#### **Members of the public in attendance:**

Stephen King, Newberry News

#### **Comments from Stakeholders**

Open House at Newberry Field Office, on December 1, 2010. There were 8 visitors who came to view maps and data and discuss prescriptions with staff.

Written comments provided by the Michigan Sharptailed Grouse Association are attached and included in the notes.

Comments from stakeholders that were provided at the open house or otherwise during the comment period were announced and discussed. Comments specific to compartments were read and considered as each compartment was discussed. Stakeholder input that resulted in changes to prescriptions for a specific compartment or stand is recorded in the compartment notes below. Copies of all comments are on file at the unit office.

#### **Presentations:**

##### *Non-Timber Project Work – Paul Gaberdiel*

Paul gave a quick presentation on the Non-Timber Work Plan for 2012.

#### **Comp 5 (Stand examiner – Tori Irving/ Jason Darling)**

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

- Dan asked for information on some of the roads/trails in the compartment.

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

- Stand 27: leave any super canopy white pine.

**Comp 21 (Stand examiner – Jason Tokar)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Dan asked about roads/trails in the compartment

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 7: Drop treatment.

**Comp 25 (Stand examiner – Tori Irving)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Dan asked if Tori spoke with Rob Katona about roads/trails in this compartment. Tori said she had and there are no changes from him.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 16: Leave some white pine.

**Comp 34 (Stand examiner – Keith Magnusson)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Don asked ages of the Jack Pine in the prescription.
- Paul said the ORV signing will meet the new signing guidelines in this Compartment.
- Written comment received from John Ries, Michigan Sharptailed Grouse Association: The last sentence in the Wildlife Considerations should include sharptails as well as Kirkland Warblers since maintaining habitat for the warblers has also greatly benefitted sharptails in other State and National Forest areas.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes.

**Comp 41 (Stand examiner – Tori Irving/ Jason Darling)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- No questions/discussion.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 25: Add "scarification" to "Next Steps".

- Stand 40: Change to "Seed Tree with Reserves". Remove comment to "move some of...nurse logs" in Other Comments section. Add "leave a representation of current canopy species in the patchy mosaics"

**Comp 47** (Stand examiner – Jason Tokar)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Dan asked about alternate road usage to avoid logging trucks on the snowmobile trail.
- Written comments received from MSGA – letter attached to notes in file.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 5: Add comment "check feasibility of access to the West through Stand 6 to avoid snowmobile trail."
- Stands 31 & 36: Add comment "check feasibility of access to the South to M-123 to avoid snowmobile trail."

**Comp 59** (Stand examiner – Tori Irving/ Jason Darling)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- No questions/discussion.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- For IBA area, change the name to "SCA/IBA" instead of "SCA Removal".
- Stand 127: Remove comment "Remove Limiting Factor...".

**Comp 75** (Stand examiner – Keith Magnusson)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Cory K. shared some information that he learned recently about the Hendry River and asked that staff keep the brook trout habitat in mind when working in that area, but no changes needed.
- Paul asked if the access to south through private land was still feasible. Keith said yes – they will look at that and Jason T. mentioned that USFS has a great road in that area that may be an option.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Change "SCA\_unique site" polygon to "SCA Removal".

**Comp 96** (Stand examiner – Keith Magnusson)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- No questions/discussion.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes.

**Comp 102** (Stand examiner – Jason Tokar)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- No questions/discussion.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 15: Add "leave some aspen in the red line trees" to comments.
- Stand 5: Add comment "no retention needed in the harvested portion of this stand because part of the stand is being left un-harvested".

**Comp 108** (Stand examiner – Jason Darling)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Suggestions were offered for areas where large oak could be planted.
- Discussion on ORV/Motorcycle Trail designation– this is legally a motorcycle trail.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- In "Narrative": Remove "ORV" from the "Sandtown ORV/Motorcycle Trail" in the Recreation Facilities & Opportunities section.
- In all prescribed stands: Change comments from "ORV Trail" to "Motorcycle Trail".
- Stand 15: Adjust treatment boundary to remove area south of trail.
- Stand 67: Experimental herbicide treatment with deer exclusions (sizes/placement to be worked out between TMS & WLD before FTP is completed.) Herbicide treatments will be patchy and not stand-wide.

**Comp 113** (Stand examiner – Don Kuhr/ Amy Douglass)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- No questions/discussion.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 70: Add comment "leave scattered (approx 1 tree/5 acres) white birch, aspen, conifer, and maple for additional retention and wildlife values.
- Stand 26: Add comment "notify adjacent private landowner when setting up sale."
- Stands 123, 124, 129: Add comment "may harvest early if adjacent private landowner is harvesting".

**Comp 131** (Stand examiner – Ryan Mattila)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- Discussion on stands 11 & 15 treatment – Kristie would like to watch Stand 15 before treatment of Stand 11 instead of treating both at the same time.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 11: Remove treatment and add limiting factor of 3 I.
- Stand 56: Add treatment as stated at the Pre-Review.
- Stand 115: Adjust treatment boundary to represent the area to be treated; change start date to 2015 to harvest with compartment to south.
- Stand 120: change start date to 2015
- Stands 79, 82 & 89: Check to see if 'Commercial Harvest' is "NO".
- Stand 38: Drop "Winter Cut" from comments.

**Comp 133** (Stand examiner – Jason Tokar)

*Discussion of comments from individuals:*

- No questions/discussion.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 56: Add "Leave Hemlock" to comments.
- All stands with treatment except 2 & 22: Add "winter cut" to comments.

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



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