

COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS



Sault Forest Management Unit 2019 Year-of-Entry October 3, 2017 Top of the Lakes Snowmobile Museum, Naubinway, MI

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, FRD; Recorder: Cheryl Ozanich, OLAF; Karen Rodock, FRD; David Jentoft, WLD; Jeff Stampfly, FRD; Matt Edison, FRD; Jeff Wise, FRD; Steve Tuovila, FRD; Josh Brinks, FMD; Cory Kovacs, FD; Craig Albright WLD; Kerry Fitzpatrick, WLD; Paul Gaberdiel, PRD; and Jennifer Burnham, FRD.

Approved later: Neil Godby, FD; and Cory Kovacs, FD approved compartments that they were not present for after the compartment review. Neil approved by email, and Cory reviewed the sheets and signed.

Members of the public in attendance: None.

Delayed Decision: The four ERA plans that were reviewed are under “delayed decision”, with a resolution date of Nov. 3, 2017. See ERA plans below for further detail.

- Delayed Decision **resolved** on November 22, 2017. All divisions have agreed to all of the wording changes in the four ERA plans that were reviewed with the Sault 2020 YOE compartment review.

Comments from Stakeholders

The Open House at the Naubinway Field Office on September 12, 2017 had two people attend. An additional Open House at the Kinross Township Hall September 13, 2017 had five people attend. Attendees viewed maps and data, and discussed management prescriptions with staff.

One comment sheet was filled out concerning winter harvest requirements on upland stands near deer yards, and the short window for harvesting.

General Comments: During compartment review the SCA, MNFI and archeology database layers were shown as each compartment was presented. Any occurrences were discussed and mitigated.

Battydoe Deer Yard MA

C197 (J. Burnham)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussed public comment regarding winter deer yard.
- Discussion regarding using consistent dates for cutting in winter deer yards.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 33 & 49: Add Winter Cut specification like in Stand 30.

Carp River Red Pine MA

C117 (M. Edison)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussed opening treatments in stands 47 and 49.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stands 47 & 49: Add next steps to burn or mechanical treatment opening. Update treatment comments.

Carp River ERA Plan (K. Matson)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussion of ERA and who does what. General discussion of specific wording in this plan and other plans, and how to get goals accomplished.

Changes made at compartment review:

- **Delayed Decision:** The group did not feel that they could approve this ERA plan as written, but would like to make suggestions to this plan. The “management objectives and actions” sections are where the concerns are.
- Kristen will work with district supervisors, this group, Sherry MacKinnon and Keith Kintigh to get a final by November 3, 2017. Suggestions for changes should be sent to Kristen ASAP.
- **Resolved:** November 22, 2017 wording changes were agreed to by Wildlife Division, Forest Resource Division, Parks Division and Fisheries Division.

Drummond Island MA

C004 (J. Brinks)

Discussion of comments from individuals: None.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Add treatment to trails within GEMS area for wildlife plantings.
- Stand 99 and GEMS trails: add treatment for invasive species removal.

Drummond SCAs (K. Rodock)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- General discussion of the Drummond Island Integrity Area SCA along the lakeshore.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No changes.

Gogomain MA

C021 (J. Wise)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussed treatment in isolated 40 acre parcel, and use of site conditions around drainages and rocks.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 49: Add cc w/ retention treatment. Follow BMP guidance near seeps/creeks; use site condition to designate. Actual treatment size will be different due to BMP.
- Stand 51: Add cc w/ retention. Avoid rocky areas; use site condition to designate. Actual treatment size will vary.
- (This compartment was approved by Neal Godby, FD on 10/4/17 through email.)

Kincheloe Highlands MA

C037 (Josh Brinks)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussed new trail markers for trails.
- Discussed the verified type 1 or 2 old growth and the removed possible old growth listed in report 5.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No changes.

Kinross Bog MA

C045 (J. Wise)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussed 300-foot fisheries buffer requested in Stand 32.
- Survey needs discussed.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 32: Add comment for 300-foot fisheries buffer.
- Stand 9: Add monitor treatment over whole stand.
- Stands 19, 21 and 25: Site condition should be 2B.
- Stand 34 and 23: add site condition for survey.

Lake Michigan Shoreline MA

C172 (M. Edison)

Discussion of comments from individuals: None.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 58: remove site condition.

Epoufette Bay ERA Plan (S. MacKinnon)

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.

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Mackinac Mix MA

C113 (S. Tuovila)

Discussion of comments from individuals: None.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No changes.

C115 (C. Luoto)

Discussion of comments from individuals: None.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No changes.

C155 (S. Tuovila)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Cedar stands in compartment.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 22: add comment to leave brush piles for rabbit.
- Stand 22, 73 & 75: Adjust “other comments” box: remove comment about cords of cedar. Use operational cedar spec.

C157 (S. Tuovila)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussion regarding age class of aspen in compartment.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Fix south compartment line.

Maxton Plains MA

C002 (J. Wise)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussion of invasive species within alvar, and efforts to remove.

Changes made at compartment review:

- *No changes.*

Maxton ERA Plan (K. Matson)

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Munuscong Bay MA

C058 (J. Wise)

Discussion of comments from individuals:

- Discussed the desired treatment order for Stands 20 and 22.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stands 20 and 22: add the next steps for burn, mechanical opening maintenance, putting burn 1st like other stands, and planting last.

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Sage Truck Trail MA

C133 (M. Edison)

Discussion of comments from individuals: None.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stands 26 & 30: remove site conditions along creek.
- Stands 43 and two stands in adjacent compartments: Remove 3B site condition. Add comment that stand size may vary. All should have 2019 start date.

C168 (C. Luoto)

Discussion of comments from individuals: None.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No changes.

Strickler Aspen MA

C160 (C Luoto)

Discussion of comments from individuals: None.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No changes.

Closing comments:

- Delayed decision ERA changes and concerns need to be completed by November 2, 2017.
- Make changes from Compartment Review and move treatment status to 5.

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

Kristen Matson

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November 22, 2017