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## COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS



### Sault Forest Management Unit 2013 Year-of-Entry Quality Inn, St. Ignace, MI October 6, 2011

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, FO; David Jentoff, WLD; Craig Albright, WLD; Tim Maples, WLD; Jason Stephens, FMD; Don Kuhr, FMD; Dan Moore, FMD; Karen Rodock, FMD; Amy Douglass, FMD; Matt Edison, FMD; Cory Louto, FMD; Jeff Wise, FMD; Jason Caron, FMD; Josh Brinks, FMD; Ryan Mattila, FMD; Jennifer Burnham, FMD; Darren Kramer, FD

Members of the public in attendance: None.

#### Comments from Stakeholders

The Open House at the Naubinway Field Office on September 13, 2011 had 3 people attend. An additional Open House at the Kinross Township Hall September 14, 2011 had 6 people attend. Attendees viewed maps and data, and discussed management prescriptions with staff. No comment sheets were filled out. No letters were received.

Written comments were received from Larry Visser, Eastern Great Lakes Regional Biologist of the Ruffed Grouse Society. Copies of all comments are on file at the unit office. Comments specific to compartments were read and considered as each compartment was discussed.

#### General Comments:

##### **Compartment 10 (Jeff Wise)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussed adding comments regarding historic Sugar Bush. Beech bark disease is evident in area. Narrative shows winter harvest specification. Discussion with wildlife staff will be done on individual sales.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 48: Add comments in regarding protecting Bailey's farm Sugar Bush area.

### **Compartment 32 (Jeff Wise)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Stands 18, 24 and 27 show winter cut. Check enforcement of former Bay City State Forest Campground. Rob Katona forwarded an email regarding comments for motorcycle trail in compartment.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 19: Add winter cut comment.
- Stands 30, 31, 40, and 41: Add comments for regarding motorcycle trail from Rob Katona.

### **Compartment 38 (Jason Caron)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* A comment from Rob Katona regarding motorcycle trail in compartment. RX burn in Stand 53 will be FMD FTP, not WLD. Discussion of ski trail in compartment.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 21, 49, 52 and 60: Comments needed regarding motorcycle trail.
- Stand 63: Add OFS and locked comments for nest.
- GPS ski trail and send to Map Shop for accurate map.

### **Compartment 49 (Ryan Mattila)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion regarding limiting factors in compartment. Discussion regarding Compartment 48 that adjoins 49 to the south. New landowner in Compartment 49 is interested in cutting his ownership with State cut in compartment 48. Clarification of cover type in Stand 25 – spruce/fir. Some road issues will be discussed with Wildlife staff in the future as more information is available.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes.

### **Compartment 53 (Jason Caron)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion to keep cutting of cedar to a minimum when cutting Stand 47 if it occurs.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes.

### **Compartment 60 (Matt Edison)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* No discussion. Largest rich conifer swamp element occurrence in state.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes.

### **Compartment 61 (Matt Edison)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Treatment on Stand 1 discussion - no prescription currently. Stand 3 discussion - prescription to be dropped. In Stand 6 drop treatment. Stand 17 discussion – add next step. Stand 24 – discussion – wildlife needs to develop a plan. Will YOE be changed? Drop treatments in Stand 24.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 3 and 6: Drop treatments.
- Stand 17: Add next step to monitor regeneration.
- Stand 24: Drop treatments and change limiting factor to other division (wildlife).

### **Compartment 62 (Matt Edison)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion of start date on Stand 3. Discussion regarding gate in Compartment. If gate is on State land, it needs to be removed. Stand 3 and 6 discussion to remove comments to plant RP. Stand 6 was discussed at pre-review as management objective to be aspen. Discussion re: Stand 4 – RP was planted – is it worth releasing?

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 3: change start date to 10/7/11.
- Stands 3 and 6: remove comments to plant RP.
- Stand 6: needs to be changed to show aspen to be management objective.
- Stands 3 and 6: Add next step for to monitor regeneration.

### **Compartment 106 (Karen Rodock)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Rob Katona has comment to add Brevort/Trout Lake Trail and take off MCCCT. Discussion checking on limiting factor.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- In the narrative, need to add Brevort/Trout Lake Motorcycle Trail and take off MCCCT per Rob Katona's note.

### **Compartment 120 (Matt Edison)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discuss Stand 16 regarding beech. Discuss removing SCA. Comments on Stands 42 and Stand 18 – Great Lakes shoreline and threatened and endangered species.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 16: Add Beech and oak plantings to the rest of the stand.
- Stand 42: needs to be added to SCA – unique site.

### **Compartment 121 (Matt Edison)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* No discussion.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes.

### **Compartment 124 (Cory Luoto)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Check Rob's comments for narrative on trail.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No change.

### **Compartment 144 (Karen Rodock)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion regarding Stand 44 MSU white pine experimental planting.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Add comment to Stand 44 regarding MSU White Pine Experimental planting.

### **Compartment 149 (Kristen Matson)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion regarding a road that was prescribed to be bermed when this compartment was last reviewed in 2003. Discussion regarding small amount of Scotch pine in compartment.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 17: Add commercial treatment for Scotch Pine area.
- Add motorcycle trail to narrative.

### **Compartment 159 (Cory Luoto)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion regarding beech bark disease in compartment.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes

### **Compartment 185 (Matt Edison)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion to change start dates in some stands. Discussion regarding clarification of two numbered snowmobile trails in compartment. Stand 21 watch green up with adjacent harvests.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stands 1, 14, and 44: Change start dates in to 10/7/2011.
- Matt will check Snowmobile trail #45 and remove information if necessary.

### **Compartment 189 (Cory Luoto)**

*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion regarding forty acres that is in compartment but not adjacent to other State ownership and no access.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- No changes

### **Compartment 198 (Katie Armstrong/ Cory Luoto)**

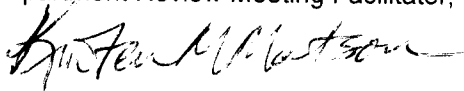
*Discussion of comments from individuals:* Discussion regarding ERA in compartment, included reading email from Debbie about future ERA boundary changes to match element occurrence boundaries. Discussion about some stands needing limiting factors – check using symbol picker, and add if necessary.

*Changes made at compartment review:*

- Stand 63: Edit treatment boundary to match element occurrence boundary and change start date to 10/7/11. Add comment that treatment will not negatively impact the ERA.
- Stands 51, 54 and 85: Add comment that ERA layer is incorrect and treatment will not affect the EO.
- Selection harvests are listed with treatment report but do not show up on the map.

**Closing comments:** No closing comments.

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



Kristen Matson, EUP Inventory and Planning Specialist

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