

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7071

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 9:00 a.m. (local time) on July 25, 2022.

LOCATION: GRAYLING MGMT UNIT, 1955 HARTWICK PINES ROAD, GRAYLING, MI 49738.

<u>CONTACT NAME:</u> Thomas Barnes <u>PHONE NUMBER:</u> (989) 348-6371

<u>PROSPECTUS NOTE:</u> The bidder is advised to inspect the sale area and review the location, estimated volumes, operating costs and contract terms of proposed sales. Please be aware that some landowners may request 60 days or more notice for access across their land.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Unit Manager, GRAYLING MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

Massasauga Mix (72-023-21) / T24N, R08E, SEC. 6, N1/2NW,NWNE.

T25N, R08E, SEC. 31, S1/2SW.

losco County, Advertised Price \$33,777.65, 61.5 Acres, Hardwood, Jack Pine.

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The sale is located in a Formerly Used Defense Sites area.

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A timber sale contract for this lump sum, sealed bid timber sale will be awarded to the responsible bidder offering the highest sealed bid price. All units of volume listed below were estimated using the Inventory Manager computer program and the new Michigan taper model. Bids must be at or above the following advertised price for each product and species:

PRODUCTS & SPECIES	<b>ESTIMATE</b>	ESTIMATED UNITS*		ADVERTISED PRICE	
Sawtimber					
B. T. Aspen	4.2	MBF	\$	51.00 / MBF	
BI/R/Hybrid Oak	59.6	MBF	\$	103.00 / MBF	
Jack Pine	38.5	MBF	\$	32.00 / MBF	
White Oak	8.6	MBF	\$	64.00 / MBF	
White Pine	24.6	MBF	\$	63.00 / MBF	
Pulpwood					
B. T. Aspen	7	Cords	\$	25.70 / Cord	
BI/R/Hybrid Oak	402	Cords	\$	24.65 / Cord	
Jack Pine	407	Cords	\$	16.15 / Cord	
Red Maple	25	Cords	\$	26.90 / Cord	
Red Pine	7	Cords	\$	32.40 / Cord	
White Oak	53	Cords	\$	24.65 / Cord	
White Pine	253	Cords	\$	20.65 / Cord	

<sup>\*</sup> The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 6.32 percent. There are an estimated 1,470 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 93 cords at the 95% confidence level. The estimated units are final and not subject to adjustment. Prospective bidders are urged to examine this timber and to make their own estimates of quantity and quality.

# **BOND AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

- 1. A bond in the amount of \$1,688.88 to insure faithful performance of the conditions of the contract will be deposited by the successful bidder within 21 days of the sale award.
- 2. Cutting in any sale or unit without the required advance payment would be considered a trespass.
- 3. Total payment must be paid in advance or according to the following schedule:
  - (a) Ten percent (10%) of the sale value must be paid within 21 days of the sale award.
  - (b) The 10% down payment will be credited towards the first unit cut.
  - (c) Payment for each of the following units must be made before cutting begins in that unit:

PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE 01 60.5%

02 39.5%

- 4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- 5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 09/30/2024.

# **SALE STATISTICS**

Volumes were calculated in cubic feet using the Michigan taper model. Cubic foot volume includes all wood inside bark for the product indicated. For display purposes, cubic feet were converted to cords and MBF using a simple conversion factor, e.g. 79 cubic feet per cord and 185 cubic feet per MBF. The cubic foot volumes are precise; the cords and MBF volumes are not. Cubic foot volume cannot be directly converted to cords or boards with precision.

# **SALE VOLUMES**

The total estimated sale volume may not equal the sum of the species/products due to the nature of statistical calculations associated with double sampling methodology.

VOLUME			STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORDS		
TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	
116,093	1,470	6.32%	1,377	1,562	

# **VDU VOLUMES**

A VDU is a Volume Determination Unit. Volumes and their associated statistics are calculated at the VDU level and summarized to the sale level. There is often a one to one relationship between a VDU and a Payment Unit, but not always, depending on the cruise design. Refer to the VDU TO PAYMENT UNIT table.

	VOLUME			RANGE IN CORDS	
VDU	TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
8	116,093	1,470	6.32%	1,377	1,562
TOTAL:	116,093	1,470		1,377	1,562

# **VDU TO PAYMENT UNIT**

When a VDU is associated with more than one Payment Unit (PU), the VDU volumes are assigned to the PU based on acres of the VDU within the PU.

VDU	VDU ACRES	PU	PU ACRES
8	61.5	1	37.3
		2	24.2
TOTAL:	61.5		61.5

# DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	2.5	MBF	37.3	\$20,450.70
	BI/R/Hybrid Oak		36.1	MBF		, ,, ,,
	Jack Pine		23.3	MBF		
	White Oak		5.2	MBF		
	White Pine		14.9	MBF		
	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	4	Cords		
	BI/R/Hybrid Oak		244	Cords		
	Jack Pine		247	Cords		
	Red Maple		15	Cords		
	Red Pine		4	Cords		
	White Oak		32	Cords		
	White Pine		153	Cords		
2	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	1.7	MBF	24.2	\$13,326.95
	Bl/R/Hybrid Oak		23.5	MBF		
	Jack Pine		15.2	MBF		
	White Oak		3.4	MBF		
	White Pine		9.7	MBF		
	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	3	Cords		
	BI/R/Hybrid Oak		158	Cords		
	Jack Pine		160	Cords		
	Red Maple		10	Cords		
	Red Pine		3	Cords		
	White Oak		21	Cords		
	White Pine		100	Cords		
		TOTAL:	135.5	MBF		
		TOTAL:	1,154	Cords		

# Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Massasauga Mix Sale Number: 72-023-21 Seq#: 2

### 1 - Sale Area

### 1.2 - Boundaries

### 1.2.1 - Painted boundaries (9/19)

The sale boundary and Payment Unit boundaries are marked and identified by red and yellow paint; except the western sale boundary is unmarked and identified by the powerline ROW as identified on the map. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Interior Payment Unit boundaries are marked with yellow paint. Retention patches are marked with red paint; no harvesting activities may occur within these areas. The painted boundary line trees are not Included Timber and are to be protected. Yellow painted trees designating an interior Payment Unit boundary are only to be cut when all surrounding Payment Units have been paid.

# 2 - Timber Specifications

### 2.1 - Included Timber

# 2.1.1 - Clearcut unit(s) with unmerchantable trees (6/14)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH, except do not cut any trees 26 inches or more at DBH. Special protection trees identified in accordance with condition 3.4.2, within clearcutting unit boundaries, are not Included Timber and are to be protected.

# 3 - Payments

### 3.3 - Pre-measured Sales

# 3.3.4 - Dividing payment units (7/14)

Payment Unit(s) may be divided at the request of the Purchaser and upon approval of the Unit Manager. Dividing Payment Units is a contract modification which requires a Timber Sale Contract Amendment. There will be only one division per Payment Unit.

# 3.4 - Damaged Timber

# 3.4.2 - Special Protection Trees (4/14)

The Purchaser shall not cut live or dead special protection trees within cutting units or clearings. Special protection trees are any tree greater than 26 inches at DBH. If the Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection trees through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$300.00 as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for each special protection tree cut or damaged. Such payment does not constitute ownership of the undesignated timber.

# 4 - Transportation

# 4.1 - Construction

# 4.1.3 - Slash and earthen piles (8/04)

Piles or windrows of earth along roads and landings that have been widened or constructed shall be leveled. Slash from road maintenance or construction, including stumps, shall be used in and along earthen berms for road closure at completion of sale.

# 4.1.6 - Road construction (1/09)

Construction of new roads or improvements of existing roads shall be done in such a way as to minimize the environmental and visual impacts. Merchantable trees shall be cut and utilized unless otherwise directed. Non-merchantable trees shall be severed and laid flat on the ground. Slash shall be scattered, and not left in windrows and kept a minimum of 10 feet back from the road edge. Stumps shall be set upright, not left on edge, and be moved at least 10 feet away from the road edge. Disturbed soil shall be feathered into the woods and not left in berms or windrows.

### 4.1.7 - Road closure (10/11)

All new roads built into the sale must be blocked to vehicle traffic upon completion of sale. Overgrown roads that are

reopened shall be considered new roads. In general, this will require constructing double earthen berms at strategic locations. Stumps and brush must be placed along the remainder of the trail. These roads must be rendered impassable to cars and trucks. All stumps from road building and landing construction must be reserved to block any newly constructed roads upon completion of the sale. These stumps must be scattered along the road system to prohibit vehicular movement. Temporary berms may be required if no sale activity occurs for 30 or more consecutive days. Contact the sale administrator for specific details of design and placement.

# 4.1.11 - Permits (2/12)

The Purchaser will secure any necessary permits that may be required.

### 4.4 - Access

# 4.4.5 - Federal property access (3/11)

Permission for access across federal land is the responsibility of the Purchaser.

# 5 - Operations

### 5.1 - Notification

# 5.1.1 - Pre-sale conference (10/16)

A pre-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and sale administrator is required prior to beginning any operations to determine landing and road locations. The Unit Manager or his/her representative must be contacted at least 5 days in advance to schedule the conference.

# 5.2 - Conduct of Operations

# 5.2.2 - Hazard Trees/Snags

### 5.2.2.1 - Den trees (10/16)

Obvious hollow and/or den trees shall be protected and left standing unless they are a safety hazard.

# 5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

# 5.2.3.1 - Operating restrictions (9/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2, unless changed by written agreement, cutting, skidding, and hauling are limited to dry summer/fall or frozen winter conditions to avoid any soil compaction or rutting in efforts to protect Eastern Massasauga habitat. This restriction is because this area lies within a Massasauga CCA Management Area.

# 5.2.3.5 - Oak wilt restriction (1/18)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2,unless changed by written agreement, cutting, skidding, hauling within the sale and brushing of access roads to the sale are not permitted during the period of April 15 to July 15. Operations may be allowed if specific steps are taken to prevent damaging uncut oak during the high risk period. Those steps may include completing all road brushing before April 15th and clearing a tree-length buffer along uncut oak cover before April 15th. This is necessary to reduce the spread of oak wilt. For more information, contact the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

# 5.2.4 - Dead and Down Creation

# 5.2.4.6 - Dead and down creation, other (9/09)

To create habitat for Eastern Massasauga brush piles in Payment Units 1 and 2, construct 1 brush pile per 2 acres. Brush piles shall be constructed of 8 to 12 tops. Locations of brush piles should be scattered evenly throughout the Payment Units.

# 5.2.29 - Shrub protection (1/20)

Reasonable care should be taken to avoid cutting or damaging hawthorn and juneberry. These woody-shrub plants are highly beneficial to various wildlife species.

# 5.2.32 - Decking/landing restoration (9/13)

All decking and landing areas must have the surface area restored to a condition equal to or better than before. This is to ensure the proper regeneration of the stand. Wood debris, chips, and "cookies" from trimmings must be removed or scattered away from landing and loading areas and may not be windrowed on the edge.

### 5.4 - Soil Protection

# 5.4.1 - Rutting restriction, general (7/16)

Operations are to cease immediately if equipment and weather conditions result in rutting of roads and/or skid trails which is 12 inches or greater in depth and 50 feet in length. The Unit Manager or his/her representative may restrict hauling and/or skidding if ruts exceed the specified depth. With the Unit Manager or his/her representative's approval, the Purchaser may return to the area when the risk of rutting has decreased.

# 6 - Safety and Fire Prevention

# 6.2 - Signing

# 6.2.1 - Road posting (10/20)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on USFS 4431 prior to beginning operations. The road must be posted at appropriate distances from the Sale Area to warn of logging activity and truck traffic. Signs must be removed when harvest operations are suspended or completed. The Purchaser will provide these signs.

### **SKIP**

# 6.4 - Unexploded ordinance (7/15)

Be aware that the sale area could contain UXO (unexploded ordinances). Do not touch, or drive over any metal objects. If any objects are found, please flag the area and notify the Unit Manager or his/her representative, so that they can make arrangements with the Military.

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