

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #6956

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 4:00 p.m. (local time) on July 19, 2022.

LOCATION: TRAVERSE CITY MGMT UNIT, 2122 M 37 SOUTH, TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49685.

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<u>PROSPECTUS NOTE:</u> Effective immediately: all bid openings for the Traverse City Management Unit (Kalkaska Field Office and Traverse City Field Office) will be held at the Traverse City Field Office regardless of sale location within the unit. All payments will now be handled through the Traverse City Field Office. The Kalkaska Field Office will no longer accept payments or hard paper copies of timber sale bids. Payments for all contracts, use permits, bonds, etc. should be sent to the Traverse City Field Office.

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, TRAVERSE CITY MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

<u>Higher Sun Aspen</u> (61-016-22) / T26N, R11W, SEC. 23, NW.
Grand Traverse County, Advertised Price \$64,778.00, 82.6 Acres, Aspen, White Pine.

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TIMBER SALE INFORMATION

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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	<u>ESTIMATE</u>	ESTIMATED UNITS*		ERTISED PRICE
Sawtimber				
B. T. Aspen	213.1	MBF	\$	94.00 / MBF
Red Maple	82.2	MBF	\$	117.00 / MBF
Red Oak	13.1	MBF	\$	108.00 / MBF
Red Pine	4.1	MBF	\$	89.00 / MBF
White Pine	156.9	MBF	\$	42.00 / MBF
Pulpwood				
B. T. Aspen	1,139	Cords	\$	14.35 / Cord
Mixed Hardwood	246	Cords	\$	15.25 / Cord
Red Oak	73	Cords	\$	17.20 / Cord
Red Pine	19	Cords	\$	36.60 / Cord
White Pine	267	Cords	\$	17.65 / Cord

^{*} The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 4.71 percent. There are an estimated 2,843 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 134 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 \$3,238.90 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	29.4%
02	39.9%
03	30.7%

- 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 RA	ANGE IN CORDS
TOTAL CUBIC FEET TOTAL CORDS		PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	
ĺ	224,632	2,843	4.71%	2,709	2,977

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.

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TOTAL:	224,632	2,843		2,709	2,977

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
64	82.6	1	24.3
		2	32.9
		3	25.4
TOTAL:	82.6		82.6

DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	62.7	MBF	24.3	\$19,074.00
	Red Maple		24.2	MBF		
	Red Oak		3.9	MBF		
	Red Pine		1.2	MBF		
	White Pine		46.2	MBF		
	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	335	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		72	Cords		
	Black Cherry		2	Cords		
	Red Maple		70	Cords		
	Red Oak		21	Cords		
	Red Pine		6	Cords		
	White Pine		79	Cords		
2	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	84.9	MBF	32.9	\$25,803.25
	Red Maple		32.7	MBF		
	Red Oak		5.2	MBF		
	Red Pine		1.6	MBF		
	White Pine		62.5	MBF		
	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	454	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood	•	99	Cords		
	Black Cherry		4	Cords		
	Red Maple		95	Cords		
	Red Oak		30	Cords		
	Red Pine		7	Cords		
	White Pine		106	Cords		
3	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	65.5	MBF	25.4	\$19,900.75
	Red Maple		25.3	MBF		
	Red Oak		4.0	MBF		
	Red Pine		1.3	MBF		
	White Pine		48.2	MBF		
	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	350	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		75	Cords		
	Black Cherry		2	Cords		
	Red Maple		73	Cords		
	Red Oak		22	Cords		
	Red Pine		6	Cords		
	White Pine		82	Cords		
		469.4	MBF			
		TOTAL:	1,744	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Higher Sun Aspen Sale Number: 61-016-22 Seq#: 1

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. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Interior Payment Unit boundaries are marked with yellow paint. 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) 1-3, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH, except trees marked with green paint. In addition, no hemlock is to be harvested.

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.3 - Stump heights (4/07)

Stump heights within the Sale Area shall not exceed 12 inches for trees greater than 10 inches at DBH and 4 inches for trees smaller than 10 inches at DBH.

3 - Payments

3.4 - Damaged Timber

3.4.1 - Damaged timber (7/16)

General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged Timber, defines liquidated damages for undesignated live merchantable trees which are cut or injured. In addition, extreme care should be taken to avoid damage to tree seedlings and saplings. No damage is acceptable to undesignated live merchantable trees. Within the Sale Area, if more than 5% of trees (> 4.5" DBH) within a specified area of the sale are damaged, liquidated damages will be assessed for all trees damaged. Rates will be in accordance with General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged Timber.

4 - Transportation

4.1 - Construction

4.1.11 - Permits (2/12)

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

4.1.12 - No new roads (1/12)

No new roads will be permitted in any Payment Unit. All operations are limited to existing roads. Skid trails only will be allowed.

5 - Operations

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.8 - Slash height (12/08)

No slash or tree tops may exceed 24 inches in height.

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

5.2.3.5 - Oak wilt restriction (1/18)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1-3, 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

5.2.4.2 - Dead and down creation, hare and grouse (1/14)

To improve habitat for snowshoe hare, grouse, and other species, the Purchaser is to leave two 14-inch diameter or larger log size pieces on the ground for every two acres. They should be evenly scattered throughout the sale or positioned per the sale administrator's instructions. If possible, the logs or trees should be felled so they overlap. Note these pieces should have an approximate length of eight feet. They can be of any tree species and can be an un-merchantable piece of wood.

5.2.29 - Shrub protection (1/20)

Do not cut or damage hawthorn, witch-hazel, or juneberry. These woody-shrub plants are highly beneficial to various wildlife species.

5.2.40 - Pathway protection (10/10)

The Ore-to-Shore horse/hiking trail is shown on the Timber Sale Map. Do not cut trees or damage posts with blue pathway markers. Maintain a 20-foot-wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily, using the pathway as the centerline. Do not run equipment down the pathway. Skidding across the trail may only occur in locations approved by the sale administrator.

5.2.41 - Snowmobile trail protection (9/11)

The snowmobile trail is shown on the Timber Sale Map. Do not cut or damage posts with orange trail markers or traffic control signs. If the trail is used, it must be maintained and restored to a condition equal to or better than before the sale. The road maintenance/restoration must be done prior to December 1. If the trail is used for hauling, it must be graded to the satisfaction of the Unit Manager or his/her representative prior to December 1. The snowmobile trail may not be used for any timber sale operations from December 1 to March 31. During the snowmobile season, the snowmobile trail may only be crossed at right angles. Maintain a 20-foot-wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily using the snowmobile trail as the centerline. No decking of forest products will be permitted along the snowmobile trail. All stumps within 20 feet of the snowmobile trail must be cut at ground level.

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

6.2.2 - Snowmobile trail posting (10/20)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on the snowmobile trail prior to beginning operations during the snowmobile season (approximately December 1 to March 31). The trail 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 is responsible for providing these signs.

6.2.3 - Recreational trail posting (10/20)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on the Ore-to-Shore trail prior to beginning operations.

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