

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN <u>TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7101</u>

<u>SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME:</u> 9:00 a.m. (local time) on August 30, 2022. <u>LOCATION:</u> GAYLORD MGMT UNIT, 1732 WEST M 32, GAYLORD, MI 49735.

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<u>PROSPECTUS NOTE</u>: All bid openings for the Gaylord Management Unit (Gaylord Field Office and Indian River Field Office) will be held at the Gaylord Field Office regardless of sale location within the unit. All payments and contract executions will now be handled through the Gaylord Field Office. The Indian River 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 Gaylord 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, GAYLORD MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

High and Low Aspen (52-008-22) / T31N, R06W, SEC. 7, S1/2NW,NESW. Antrim County, Advertised Price \$9,853.30, 22.9 Acres, Aspen, Hardwood.

SALE NOTE: All units of volume listed for this sale were estimated using the Inventory Manager computer program and the new Michigan taper model.

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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	ESTIMATE	D UNITS*	<u>ADV</u>	ERTISED PRICE
Sawtimber				
Quaking Aspen	67.8	MBF	\$	45.00 / MBF
Pulpwood				
Balsam Fir	8	Cords	\$	15.60 / Cord
Black Spruce	4	Cords	\$	9.30 / Cord
Mixed Hardwood	22	Cords	\$	14.45 / Cord
Quaking Aspen	379	Cords	\$	16.45 / Cord
Scotch Pine	7	Cords	\$	12.55 / Cord

* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 19.41 percent. There are an estimated 528 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 103 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 \$492.67 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 remainder is due before cutting begins.
 - (c) Payment for each of the following units must be made before cutting begins in that unit: PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER 01

100.0%

- 4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- 5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 12/31/2026.

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	
41,726	528	19.41%	426	631	

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
114	41,726	528	19.42%	426	631
TOTAL:	41,726	528		426	631

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
114	22.9	1	22.9
TOTAL:	22.9		22.9

DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	Quaking Aspen	Sawtimber	67.8	MBF	22.9	\$9,853.30
	Balsam Fir	Pulpwood	8	Cords		
	Balsam Fir	Sawtimber	1.7	MBF		
	Balsam Fir	Pulpwood	5	Cords		
	Black Spruce		4	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		22	Cords		
	Sugar Maple	Sawtimber	3.2	MBF		
	Red Maple	Pulpwood	13	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		3	Cords		
	Quaking Aspen		379	Cords		
	Scotch Pine		7	Cords		
	TOTAL: 67.8		67.8	MBF		
		TOTAL:	420	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: High and Low Aspen

Sale Number: 52-008-22 Seq#: 1

1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted boundaries (9/19)

The sale boundary is marked and identified by blue and red paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against private property are marked with blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.1 - Clearcut unit(s) with unmerchantable trees (6/14)Within Payment Unit(s) 1, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH, except leave all white pine and cedar.

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.

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 dispersed throughout the 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 the sale. Overgrown roads that are reopened shall be considered new roads. In general, this will require constructing a four (4') foot high berm of stumps and logs covered with earth. Stumps and brush must be placed along the remainder of the trail. These roads must be rendered impassable to cars and trucks. Contact the sale administrator for specific details of design and placement.

4.4 - Access

4.4.1 - Private property access (3/11)

Permission for access across private land is the responsibility of the Purchaser. Should the Purchaser desire to cross private land, a copy of the written permission from the private landowner may be required by the DNR.

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.

5.1.4 - Post-sale conference (10/16)

A post-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and sale administrator is required 5 days prior to the completion of active logging operations to determine clean-up and repair of landings, road edges, and the fulfillment of other contract specifications.

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.11 - Slash for reforestation (3/21)

To facilitate reforestation, the Sale Area shall be left with slash evenly distributed. Bunched tops within the cutting area shall be broken up and scattered. Stumps shall be cut low to the ground. Processing sites shall not be left with a compacted layer of slash; tops from these sites shall be hauled back into the cut area and scattered.

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.

5.2.22 - Operating Caution

5.2.22.1 - Operating caution (6/11)

It is recommended, but not required, that within Payment Unit(s) 1, cutting, skidding, and hauling occur during dry summer or frozen winter conditions. The reason for the recommendation is because most of the Sale Area has seasonally wet soils.

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.

5.2.41 - 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. If the trail road is to be used for hauling during the snowmobile season, then a snow-covered base must be left on the trail. Maintain a 20-foot-wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily using the snowmobile trail as the centerline. 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.

5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

5.8.5 - Protection of raptor nests (3/13)

All trees with raptor nests will be protected if found during harvesting operations. Notification will be made to the Unit Manager or his/her representative who will notify the Wildlife Biologist so an on-site evaluation and recommendation can be made, if necessary.

6 - Safety and Fire Prevention

6.2.1 - Road posting (10/20)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on Webster Bridge Road 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.

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 will provide these signs.

