

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7418

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 3:00 p.m. (local time) on May 10, 2024.

LOCATION: ESCANABA MGMT UNIT, 6833 HWY'S 2, 41 & M-35, GLADSTONE, MI 49837.

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<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, CRYSTAL FALLS MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

Two Section Aspen (12-001-24) / T40N, R29W, SEC. 14, SWNW.

T40N, R29W, SEC. 15, SWNW, NWSW.

T40N, R29W, SEC. 16, SENE.

T40N, R29W, SEC. 17, S1/2NE, N1/2SE.

Dickinson County, Advertised Price \$19,879.55, 53.5 Acres, Aspen, Hardwood.

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TIMBER SALE INFORMATION

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A timber sale contract for this mixed, 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	ESTIMATED UNITS*		ADVERTISED PRICE	
Sawtimber				
Basswood	4.0	MBF	\$	96.00 / MBF
Paper Birch	1.9	MBF	\$	170.00 / MBF
Sugar Maple	3.2	MBF	\$	198.00 / MBF
Pulpwood				
Balsam Fir	53	Cords	\$	6.40 / Cord
Basswood	9	Cords	\$	7.70 / Cord
Mixed Aspen	651	Cords	\$	21.85 / Cord
Mixed Hardwood	237	Cords	\$	11.65 / Cord
Mixed Spruce	35	Cords	\$	14.85 / Cord
Paper Birch	16	Cords	\$	3.25 / Cord
Tamarack	117	Cords	\$	4.90 / Cord

^{*} The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 32.08 percent. There are an estimated 1,139 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 365 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 \$1,987.96 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	50.1%
02	3.6%
03	46.3%

- 4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- 5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 06/30/2027.

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 MAXIMUN		
89,983	1,139	32.08%	774	1,504	

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
9	37,496	475	24.72%	357	592
24	10,019	127	46.80%	67	186
32	42,468	538	28.70%	383	692
TOTAL:	89,983	1,139		808	1,470

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
9	19.0	3	19.0
24	14.2	2	14.2
32	20.3	1	20.3
TOTAL:	53.5		53.5

DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	Basswood	Sawtimber	1.1	MBF	20.3	\$9,948.30
	Paper Birch		1.9	MBF		
	Sugar Maple		1.1	MBF		
	Balsam Fir	Pulpwood	29	Cords		
	Basswood		7	Cords		
	Mixed Aspen		335	Cords		
	Balsam Poplar		26	Cords		
	Quaking Aspen		309	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		126	Cords		
	Red Maple	Sawtimber	0.9	MBF		
	Red Maple	Pulpwood	50	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		74	Cords		
	Mixed Spruce		15	Cords		
	White Spruce		15	Cords		
	Paper Birch		16	Cords		
2	Mixed Spruce	Pulpwood	10	Cords	14.2	\$721.80
	Black Spruce		10	Cords		
	Tamarack		117	Cords		
3	Basswood	Sawtimber	2.9	MBF	19.0	\$9,209.45
	Sugar Maple		2.1	MBF		
	Balsam Fir	Pulpwood	24	Cords		
	Basswood		2	Cords		
	Mixed Aspen		316	Cords		
	B. T. Aspen		55	Cords		
	Balsam Poplar		15	Cords		
	Quaking Aspen		246	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		111	Cords		
	Red Maple		12	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		99	Cords		
	Mixed Spruce		10	Cords		
	Black Spruce		3	Cords		
	White Spruce		7	Cords		
		TOTAL:	9.1	MBF		
		TOTAL:	1,118	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Two Section Aspen Sale Number: 12-001-24 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 paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. The painted boundary line trees are not Included Timber and are to be protected unless marked with orange paint.

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 do not cut any cedar. Additionally, the following exceptions apply:

- Within Payment Unit 1, do not cut hemlock, oak, or pine.
- Within Payment Unit 3, do not cut spruce or fir that are six (6) inches or less at DBH. In addition, do not cut any hemlock, oak, pine, paper birch, or black ash.

Payment Unit 2 is an optional Payment Unit. This Payment Unit will be scaled if it is cut.

4 - Transportation

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.4 - Grading (10/16)

For completion of the sale, state forest roads must be graded. In general, this will require a road grader or bulldozer to shape up the roads after forest products have been hauled off site. This includes cleaning of drainage areas, grading, crowning and filling with gravel, if necessary. The grading equipment to be used must be approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

4.4 - Access

4.4.1 - Private property access (3/11)

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

5 - Operations

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.13 - Dispose of slash as directed (12/05)

Slash is to be disposed of as directed by the Sale Administrator.

5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

5.2.3.1 - Operating restrictions (9/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) 2, unless changed by written agreement, cutting, skidding, and hauling are limited to the period of frozen ground only. This restriction is because of 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.

5.2.39 - ORV trail/route protection (4/18)

There is an ORV trail or route shown on the Timber Sale Map. Trees with yellow ORV markers shall be cut off above the markers and at least 5 feet above ground. All stumps within 5 feet of the trail must be cut flush with the ground. Maintain a 20-foot-wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily using the ORV trail or route as the centerline. Do not run equipment down the ORV trail or route. Skidding across the trail or route may only occur in locations approved by the Sale Administrator.

5.2.41 - Snowmobile trail protection (9/11)

Trail 115 is a snowmobile trail and 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. The snowmobile trail may not be used for any timber sale operations from December 1 to March 31. 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. All stumps within 20 feet of the snowmobile trail must be cut at ground level. In addition, any trees cut within 5 feet of the trail must have the stumps removed and be disposed of according to the direction of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

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 Benton's Lake Road and Norway Truck Trail 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 Trail 115 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.

6.2.3 - Recreational trail posting (10/20)

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

7 - Other Conditions

7.5 - Loss

7.5.1 - Deteriorating timber (7/09)

The sale area has received damage from eastern larch borer in Payment Unit 2. The Purchaser should harvest the wood as soon as possible. The Department of Natural Resources is held free of responsibility of any further damage or deterioration due to delay in harvesting.

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