

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7499

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 9:00 a.m. (local time) on November 21, 2024.

LOCATION: PIGEON RIVER COUNTRY MGMT UNIT, PO BOX 456, 9966 TWIN LAKES ROAD, VANDERBILT, MI

<u>CONTACT NAME:</u> Mark Monroe <u>PHONE NUMBER:</u> (989) 983-4101

<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, PIGEON RIVER COUNTRY MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

Elite Hardwoods (53-001-25) / T32N, R02W, SEC. 13, NE,E1/2SW,W1/2SE.

Otsego County, Advertised Price \$36,218.65, 46.4 Acres, Hardwood, Sugar Maple.

## TIMBER SALE INFORMATION

Elite Hardwoods (53-001-25)
T32N, R02W, SEC. 13.
Otsego County (Advertised Price \$36,218.65)

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	ESTIMATED UNITS*		ADVERTISED PRICE	
Sawtimber				
Basswood	83.3	MBF	\$	66.00 / MBF
Sugar Maple	114.4	MBF	\$	215.00 / MBF
Pulpwood				
Basswood	92	Cords	\$	12.10 / Cord
Jack Pine	9	Cords	\$	14.60 / Cord
Mixed Aspen	57	Cords	\$	22.20 / Cord
Mixed Hardwood	241	Cords	\$	14.90 / Cord
White Pine	1	Cords	\$	23.95 / Cord

<sup>\*</sup> The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 17.09 percent. There are an estimated 862 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 147 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 \$3,621.87 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:

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PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE
01	73.6%
02	23.2%
03	3.2%

- 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	MAXIMUM	
68,120	862	17.09%	715	1,010	

## **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
84	36,851	466	22.16%	363	570
89	26,971	341	30.23%	238	445
97	4,298	54	70.30%	16	93
TOTAL:	68,120	862		617	1,107

## **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
84	13.4	1	13.4
89	30.4	2	30.4
97	2.6	3	2.6
TOTAL:	46.4		46.4

## **DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)**

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	Basswood	Sawtimber	58.2	MBF	13.4	\$26,658.50
	Sugar Maple		99.6	MBF		
	Basswood	Pulpwood	15	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		82	Cords		
	Beech		24	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		58	Cords		
2	Basswood	Sawtimber	25.1	MBF	30.4	\$8,413.10
	Sugar Maple		14.8	MBF		
	Basswood	Pulpwood	77	Cords		
	Mixed Aspen		13	Cords		
	B. T. Aspen		13	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		158	Cords		
	Beech		3	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		155	Cords		
3	Jack Pine	Pulpwood	9	Cords	2.6	\$1,147.05
	Mixed Aspen		44	Cords		
	Quaking Aspen		44	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		1	Cords		
	Ironwood		1	Cords		
	White Pine		1	Cords		
		TOTAL:	197.7	MBF		
		TOTAL:	400	Cords		

## Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Elite Hardwoods Sale Number: 53-001-25 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, cut all trees that are one (1) inch or more at DBH, except do not cut oak, yellow birch, elm, or trees marked with green paint. For trees that meet DNR sawlog merchantability standards (DBH greater than 10 inches DBH) only sawlogs may be cut from the tree, and all merchantable pulpwood from these trees may not be cut and must be left attached to the crown of the tree. Note that Payment Unit 1 consists of 9 clearcut patches, each separated from one another and bound by red paint.

Within Payment Unit 3, cut all trees that are one (1) inch or more at DBH, except do not cut oak, birch, or trees marked with green paint. In addition, do not cut any red or white pine greater than twenty (20) inches DBH and do not cut any cherry greater than five (5) inches DBH.

## 2.1.3 - Cut tree marked unit(s) (12/08)

Within Payment Unit(s) 2, all trees are designated for cutting when marked with orange paint above and below stump height, regardless of merchantability.

## 2.2 - Utilization

## 2.2.6 - Roundwood operation required (3/21)

The skidding of whole trees or tree segments with limbs attached is prohibited. All products must be produced as roundwood and forwarded to existing roads or landing areas in final product length.

## 2.2.9 - No chipping permitted (12/08)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1-3, all wood must be removed by roundwood. No chipping is permitted.

## 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 red oak poletimber and saplings which can be found in Payment Units 2-3. Some of these trees have been marked with green paint to aid in identification.

## 3.6 - Payment Unit Cutting Schedule

## 3.6.8 - Operating period (5/16)

Once cutting begins, operations must continue until all Payment Units are completed.

## 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.

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

Overgrown roads that are reopened must be blocked to vehicle traffic upon completion of the sale. In general, this will require constructing a four (4') foot high berm of stumps and logs covered with earth. These roads must be rendered impassable to cars and trucks.

## 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.

#### 4.2 - Maintenance

## 4.2.4 - Grading (10/16)

For completion of the sale, and if deemed necessary by the Sale Administrator, 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.

### 4.2.5 - Two wheel drive condition (2/04)

All existing trail roads on and adjacent to the sale area must be passable by two-wheel drive traffic for the duration of the sale.

#### 4.4 - Access

## 4.4.3 - Access gate (12/08)

The access gate must be locked at the completion of each day unless otherwise approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

## 4.4.4 - Restricted access (10/05)

Access between each clearcut patch in Payment Unit 1 will be limited to one skid trail route that will be flagged in prior by the Sale Administrator.

## 5 - Operations

#### 5.1 - Notification

## 5.1.3 - Well heads and natural gas pipelines (11/15)

The Purchaser is responsible for contacting the Enbridge Pipeline Company 30 days prior to operating equipment in the vicinity of well heads or natural gas pipelines.

## 5.2 - Conduct of Operations

#### 5.2.1 - Slash

## 5.2.1.10 - No slash in openings (5/10)

No brush or logging debris is to be left in the maintained wildlife opening which is indicated by G0 on the Timber Sale Map. Any damage to the opening shall be repaired according to specifications of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

## 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.

In addition, in Payment Unit 1, all tops must be left intact (not processed into smaller pieces) and must be scattered evenly throughout the cut area. The objective is to leave as much slash as possible in order to deter deer and elk browse.

#### 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

## 5.2.3.3 - Bark slippage restriction (3/09)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1-2, cutting and skidding are not permitted during the period of March 15 to July 15. This restriction is because of bark slippage.

### 5.2.3.4 - Oak wilt restriction, no exceptions (1/18)

Within Payment Units 1-3, cutting, skidding, and hauling within the sale and brushing of access roads to the sale are not permitted during the period of April 15 to July 15. No exceptions will be granted. This is necessary to reduce the spread of oak wilt.

#### 5.2.4 - Dead and Down Creation

## 5.2.4.7 - Dead and down creation: hare, grouse, deer and other species (5/15)

To improve horizontal cover habitat for snowshoe hare, grouse, deer, and other species, the Purchaser is to push over trees marked with a pink "X". These trees should be tipped over with the root ball still attached so the base of the tree is suspended off the ground. The crown of the fallen tree should be at or near ground level after it is pushed over.

## 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.

## 5.2.38 - No decking against live trees (2/04)

Cut products may not be decked against unmarked or designated leave trees.

#### 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 25 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

#### 5.8.3 - Red shoulder hawk or goshawk (1) (2/16)

In the event that an active red shoulder hawk or goshawk nest is found, the contract may be amended to protect the nest site until the nest is determined to be inactive. The value of the trees in this excluded area will be refunded or credited to the Purchaser. The nest will be buffered with a five-chain radius (eight acre) protection area, centered on the nest tree, in which there will be no cutting or new roads constructed. Avoid human disturbance, including loading and skidding, in the protection area.

An additional zone of five chains (ten chains centered on the active nest tree) will be established in which there is no management activity from March 15 to July 15. Limit biomass harvesting and chipping operations within this ten-chain zone, retain the maximum one-third of residues per the Woody Biomass Harvesting Guidelines (Michigan DNR 2010). Nests determined to be inactive will be protected with a one-chain no-harvest buffer.

## 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 Sturgeon Valley 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.

#### 7 - Other Conditions

## 7.2 - Extensions

7.2.2 -	- No	extensions	(3/09)
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There will be no extensions granted on this contract.

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## **TIMBER SALE MAP**

This information provided by authority of Part 525, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

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Pigeon River Country Mgt Unit Otsego Township Range Section(s) and

02W

Forest Management Unit

Subdivision(s) Sec. 13 NE,E1/2SW,W1/2SE;

County

		Cover Typ
A = Aspen	J = Jack Pine	0 = 0a

N = Marsh

MC = Mixed Conifer

MD = Mixed Deciduous

B = Paper Birch K = RockC = CedarL = Lowland Brush D = Treed BogLM = Lowland Mix Forest R = Red PineE = Swamp Hardwoods M = Maple, Beech, Birch S = Black Spruce

P = Lowland Poplar Q = Mixed Swamp Conifer T = Tamarack

U = Upland Brush UM = Upland Mix Forest V = Bog or MarshW = White Pine

X = Non Stocked Y = SandZ = Water

0 = Non Stocked 5 = Pole Timber Medium 1 = Seedling Sapling Poor 6 = Pole Timber Well 2 = Seedling Sapling Medium 7 = Saw Timber Poor 3 = Seedling Sapling Well 8 = Saw Timber Medium 4 = Pole Timber Poor 9 = Saw Timber Well

**Density** 

PU # Acres 1 13.4 2 30.4 3 2.6

F = Spruce/Fir

G = Grass

H = Hemlock

## **Elite Hardwoods 46.4 Acres**

Mapped By: Rekowski

Cruised By: Rekowski

