



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
STATE OF MICHIGAN  
TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7521**

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: **9:00 a.m. (local time) on January 16, 2025.**

LOCATION: **BARAGA MGMT UNIT, 427 US 41 NORTH, BARAGA, MI 49908.**

CONTACT NAME: Brad Carlson

PHONE NUMBER: (906) 353-6651

PROSPECTUS NOTE: 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, BARAGA MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

Usitalo Road Aspen (11-012-24) / T51N, R36W, SEC. 25, SWNE, NWSE.

Houghton County, Advertised Price \$4,027.85, 16.8 Acres, Aspen, Hardwood.

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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:

<u>PRODUCTS &amp; SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED UNITS*</u>	<u>ADVERTISED PRICE</u>
Sawtimber		
Sugar Maple	0.7 MBF	\$ 121.00 / MBF
Pulpwood		
Balsam Fir	19 Cords	\$ 2.35 / Cord
Mixed Hardwood	49 Cords	\$ 6.30 / Cord
Quaking Aspen	386 Cords	\$ 9.30 / Cord

\* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 24.73 percent. There are an estimated 455 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 113 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 \$350.00 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:
 

PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE
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 06/30/2028.

**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		PERCENT ERROR	STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORDS	
TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
35,945	455	24.73%	342	568

**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.

VDU	VOLUME		PERCENT ERROR	RANGE IN CORDS	
	TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
19	35,945	455	24.74%	342	568
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>35,945</b>	<b>455</b>		<b>342</b>	<b>568</b>

**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
19	16.8	1	16.8
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>16.8</b>		<b>16.8</b>

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

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	Sugar Maple	Sawtimber	0.7	MBF	16.8	\$4,027.85
	Balsam Fir	Pulpwood	19	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		49	Cords		
	<i>Black Cherry</i>		4	<i>Cords</i>		
	<i>Paper Birch</i>		6	<i>Cords</i>		
	<i>Red Maple</i>		36	<i>Cords</i>		
	<i>Sugar Maple</i>		1	<i>Cords</i>		
	<i>Yellow Birch</i>		2	<i>Cords</i>		
	Quaking Aspen		386	Cords		
TOTAL:			0.7	MBF		
TOTAL:			454	Cords		

## Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Usitalo Road Aspen

Sale Number: 11-012-24 Seq#: 3

### 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 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

##### 2.1.2 - Clearcut unit(s) w/o unmerchantable trees (8/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1, cut all trees which meet minimum piece specifications in 2.2 Utilization, except do not cut hemlock, cedar, white pine, or red oak.

#### 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 DBH and 4 inches for trees smaller than 10 inches DBH. A written waiver of this requirement may be obtained if wet summer weather makes winter logging necessary.

##### 2.2.4 - Skidding length (2/14)

Skidding of unlimbed tops or lengths over 17 feet is not permissible, unless approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative. Skidding of lengths over 17 feet is permissible as long as the Timber Sale Administrator approves the method and machinery used. If at any point damage exceeds specification 3.4.1, all of the remaining wood must be skid in lengths less than 17 feet.

##### 2.2.8 - Utilization and removal (5/14)

All products meeting standards set forth in General Condition and Requirement 2.2 - Utilization must be removed from the Sale Area. This is because excessive woody debris inhibits regeneration.

### 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.

### 4 - Transportation

#### 4.1 - Construction

##### 4.1.1 - Stream crossings, general (3/11)

All stream crossing structures will be temporary and therefore, shall be provided by the Purchaser, and must be removed upon completion of the sale. All permits for stream crossings will be provided by the DNR for crossings located on state land.

##### 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, chipped, utilized or otherwise removed from the sale.

##### 4.1.4 - Timber removed for construction (3/23)

Trees cut or damaged in the process of pre-approved road, landing or skid trail construction will be decked in an area separate

from other Designated Timber and not removed until measured by the sale administrator. Payment will be made at contract prices or average prices, if not on the contract.

#### 4.1.5 - Culverts (5/14)

Roads may require the installation of culverts for cross drainage or at natural drainage-ways. If culverts are needed in these locations, their placement will be specified by the Sale Administrator and they shall be installed prior to hauling. The culverts shall be new, corrugated metal or plastic gauge. Culverts will be a minimum of 12 inches in diameter and 24 feet in length. If culverts are removed, fill shall be removed from wetland soils as specified. Soils shall be maintained and left in a non-erodible condition, with water bars, seed, fertilizer, mulch, and slash installed as directed by the Sale Administrator and as specified in the BMP manual. Stream crossing permits, if needed, will be obtained by the DNR for crossings located on state land.

#### 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, or be chipped, utilized or otherwise removed from the sale. 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. These roads must be rendered impassable to cars and trucks. 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.

### 4.2 - Maintenance

#### 4.2.2 - Fill material (4/07)

To maintain roads, fill material may be needed in areas where "holes" exist or may be expected to develop. This fill material should be placed before trucking begins. Contact the Sale Administrator regarding the availability of onsite sand or gravel from adjacent State-owned lands.

#### 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.

#### 4.2.5 - 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

#### 4.4.1 - Private property access (3/11)

Permission for access across private land is the responsibility of the Purchaser. A copy of the written permission from the private landowner must be given to the Unit Manager within 30 days of the bid opening and prior to the beginning of operations.

## 5 - Operations

### 5.1 - Notification

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

A pre-sale conference 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 10 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

### 5.2.2 - 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

#### 5.2.3.2 - Operating restrictions (9/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1, unless changed by written agreement, all clean up activities must be completed by June 30 for all areas that were harvested during the previous harvest season. This restriction is to allow the clean up areas time to revegetate before the dry season.

#### 5.2.30 - Landing/road top soil protection (2/15)

Top soil on landings and new roads must be removed, stockpiled and saved. Upon completion of the timber sale, soil must be evenly distributed back over the area for revegetation. In addition, the area must be seeded and mulched per instructions of the Sale Administrator.

#### 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 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

### 5.8.3 - 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 April 1 to July 30. 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.

### 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.



### TIMBER SALE MAP

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

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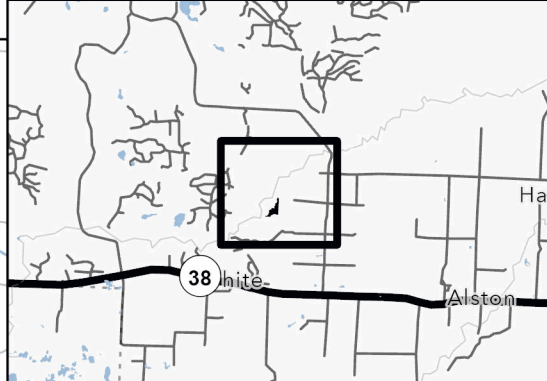
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Township	Range	Section(s) and Subdivision(s)
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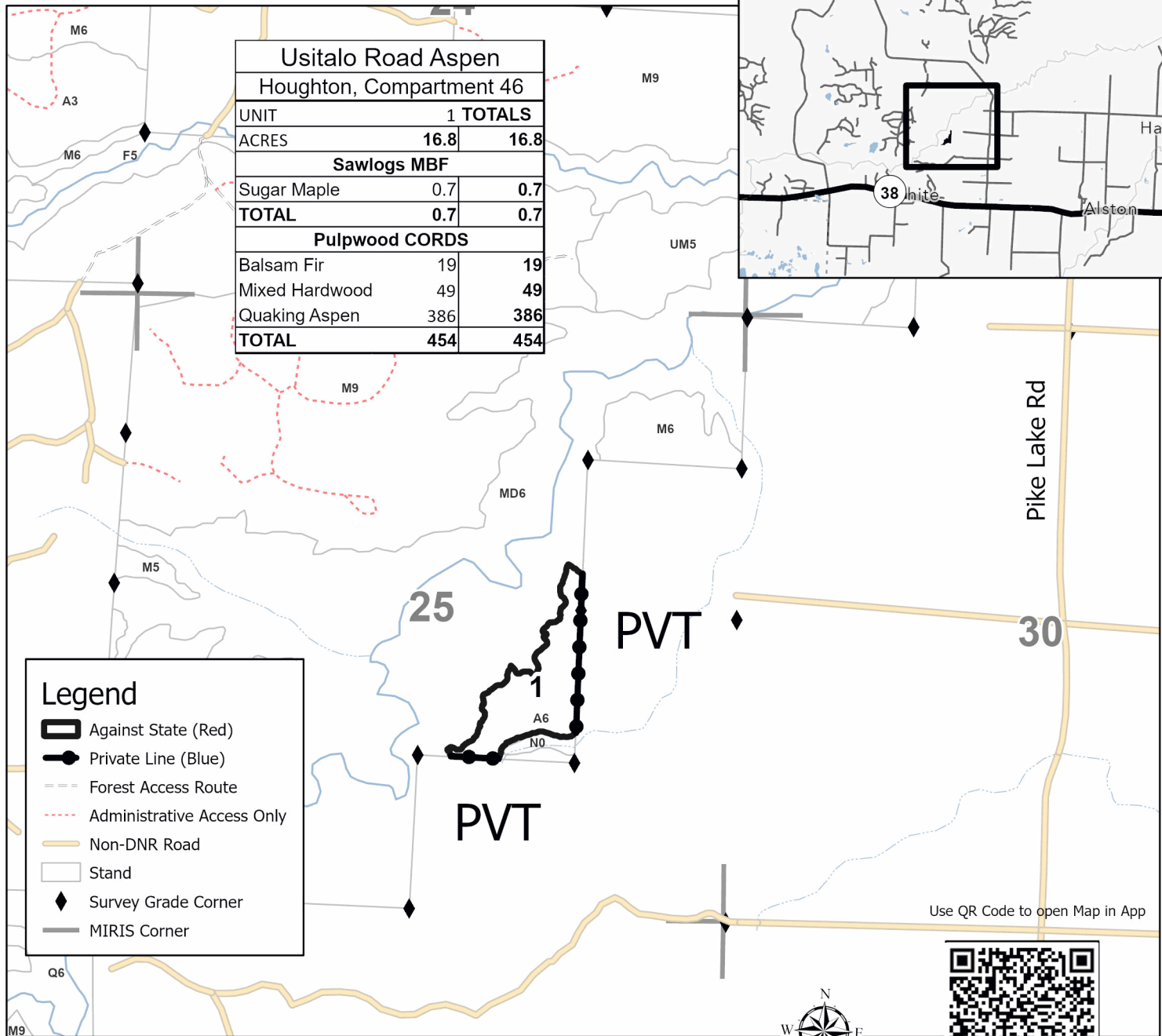
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A = Aspen	J = Jack Pine	O = Oak	U = Upland Brush
B = Paper Birch	K = Rock	P = Lowland Poplar	UM = Upland Mix Forest
C = Cedar	L = Lowland Brush	Q = Mixed Swamp Conifer	V = Bog or Marsh
D = Treed Bog	LM = Lowland Mix Forest	R = Red Pine	W = White Pine
E = Swamp Hardwoods	M = Maple, Beech, Birch	S = Black Spruce	X = Non Stocked
F = Spruce/Fir	MC = Mixed Conifer	T = Tamarack	Y = Sand
G = Grass	MD = Mixed Deciduous	Z = Water	
H = Hemlock	N = Marsh		

Density	
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

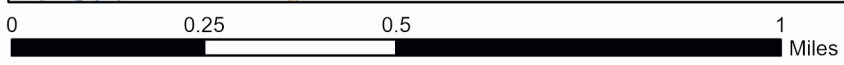
### Locator Map (1:200,000)



Usitalo Road Aspen Houghton, Compartment 46		
UNIT	1 TOTALS	
ACRES	16.8	16.8
<b>Sawlogs MBF</b>		
Sugar Maple	0.7	0.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.7</b>
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Legend	
	Against State (Red)
	Private Line (Blue)
	Forest Access Route
	Administrative Access Only
	Non-DNR Road
	Stand
	Survey Grade Corner
	MIRIS Corner



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