DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF MICHIGAN
TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7944

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: **9:00 a.m. (local time) on November 12, 2026.**
LOCATION: **GRAYLING MGMT UNIT, 1955 HARTWICK PINES ROAD, GRAYLING, MI 49738**.

CONTACT NAME: Tom Barnes
PHONE NUMBER: (231) 384-7732

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

Smokey's Savior Fuel Break (72-014-24) / T27N, R02E, SEC. 5 , N1/2NW,SWNW,NWSW.
T28N, R02E, SEC. 32, S1/2SW.
Oscoda County, Advertised Price $15,041.35, 40.5 Acres, Jack Pine, Red Pine.

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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	ESTIMATED UNITS*		ADVERTISED PRICE	
Pulpwood				
Black/Red (Hybrid) Oak	28	Cords	$ 16.00	/ Cord
Jack Pine	299	Cords	$ 9.25	/ Cord
Quaking Aspen	32	Cords	$ 17.90	/ Cord
Red Pine	249	Cords	$ 45.20	/ Cord

* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 27.95 percent. There are an estimated 609 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 170 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 $752.07 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	50.3%
02	49.7%

4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 12/31/2028.

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			STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORDS	
TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
48,129	609	27.95%	439	780

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
10	48,129	609	27.96%	439	780
TOTAL:	**48,129**	**609**		**439**	**780**

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
10	40.5	1	20.4
		2	20.1
TOTAL:	**40.5**		**40.5**

DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	Black/Red (Hybrid	Pulpwood	15	Cords	20.4	$7,573.15
	/Red (Hybrid) Oak		*13*	*Cords*		
	Red Maple		*2*	*Cords*		
	Jack Pine		151	Cords		
	Jack Pine		*149*	*Cords*		
	White Pine		*2*	*Cords*		
	Quaking Aspen		16	Cords		
	Red Pine		125	Cords		
2	Black/Red (Hybrid	Pulpwood	13	Cords	20.1	$7,468.20
	/Red (Hybrid) Oak		*12*	*Cords*		
	Red Maple		*1*	*Cords*		
	Jack Pine		148	Cords		
	Jack Pine		*146*	*Cords*		
	White Pine		*2*	*Cords*		
	Quaking Aspen		16	Cords		
	Red Pine		124	Cords		
		TOTAL:	608	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Smokey's Savior Fuel Break **Sale Number: 72-014-24 Seq#: 2**

1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted Boundaries (9/19)
The sale boundary is marked and identified by red paint. Exterior sale boundary agaist private is unmarked and identified by Richardson rd. The interior Payment Unit boundary is unpainted and identified by Nancy Brown road. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint, except for the south portion of unit #1, which is unpainted and identified by Nancy Brown road. The painted boundary line trees are not Included Timber and are to be protected.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.1 - Clearcut Unit(s) with Unmerchantable Trees (6/14)
Within Payment Unit(s) #1 and 2, cut all trees that are one (1) inch or more at DBH except any oak or red pine that is over 26 (inches) at DBH.

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.2 - Chipping required (2/18)
The sale area must be chip harvested to facilitate future fuel break maintenance. No exceptions will be granted. The Purchaser has the option to produce sawlogs or pulpwood bolts, but the remaining portion of the trees must be chipped and hauled. The requirement to retain approximately 1/6 to 1/3 of tree tops and limbs less than four inches in diameter does not apply (G. C. & R. 2.2). This is because this timber sale is being managed as a fuel break for fire suppression.

2.2.3 - Stump heights (4/07)
Stump heights within the Sale Area shall not exceed 6 inches for all trees. This is in order to facilitate future management as a fuel break.

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 chipped, utilized or otherwise removed from the sale.

4.1.6 - Road Construction (4/24)
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 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 4ft berm of slash and stumps covered with earth at strategic locations. Stumps and brush must be placed along the remainder of the trail. These roads must be rendered impassable to cars and trucks. All stumps from road building and landing construction must be reserved to block any newly constructed roads upon completion of the sale. These stumps must be scattered along the road system to prohibit vehicular movement. Contact the sale administrator for specific details of design and placement.

4.1.11 - Permits (2/12)
The Purchaser will secure any necessary permits that may be required.

5 - Operations

5.1 - Notification

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

5.2.3.6 - Bark Beetle Restriction (12/08)
In the event drought creates a high risk of pine bark beetle infestation, pine is not to be cut during the period March 1 through July 1, unless all portions of trees greater than two inches in diameter are removed from the sale area, reduced to chips, or treated to the satisfaction of the Unit Manager or his/her representative, within fifteen days of being severed from the stump. Pine log decks, pulpwood piles and treetops that are piled for chipping in the fall or winter within a 1/4 mile of susceptible sites must be removed before March 15. Residual slash must not be placed in piles or rows and must be spread over the site for quick drying. The Department of Natural Resources will exercise this specification if the risk of damage warrants.

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 LP4/9 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. The snowmobile trail may not be use for any timber sale operations from December 1 to March 31 without written consent from unit manager. 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 10 feet of the snowmobile trail must be cut at ground level.

5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

5.8.1 - Kirtland's Warbler (1) (4/24)
This sale is adjacent to a young jack pine stand which may be used by the Kirtland's Warbler. The Department reserves the right to temporarily restrict all harvesting operations in a buffer zone of up to 500 feet if it is determined that Warbler territory has been established in the adjacent stand. The restricted period, if put into effect, would apply from May 1st to August 15th.

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 onsite evaluation and recommendation can be made, if necessary.

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 Nancy Brown 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 snowmobile trail LP 4/9 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.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources - Forest Resources Division

TIMBER SALE MAP

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

Sale Number	Date
72-014-24	01/29/2025

Forest Management Unit	County	Mapped By: Michaud	Scale	Page	Of
Grayling Mgt Unit	Oscoda	Cruised By: Michaud & summer students	1:7,920	1	1

Township	Range	Section(s) and Subdivision(s)
27N / 28N	02E	Sec. 32 S1/2SW; Sec. 5 N1/2NW,SWNW,NWSW;

Cover Type

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

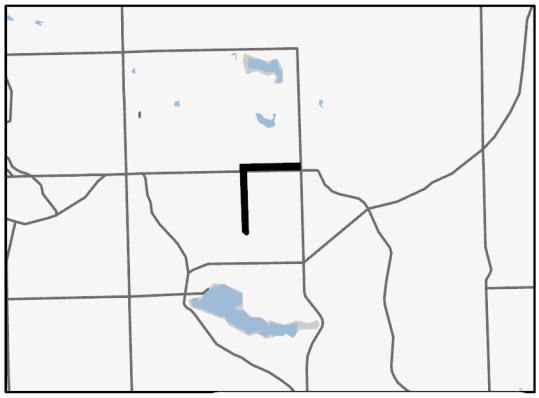
0 = Non Stocked	5 = Pole Timber Medium
1 = Seedling Sapling Poor	6 = Pole Timber Well
2 = Seedling Sapling Medium	7 = Saw Timber Poor
3 = Seedling Sapling Well	8 = Saw Timber Medium
4 = Pole Timber Poor	9 = Saw Timber Well

Payment Unit Number	Acres
1	20.4
2	20.1

Smokey's Savior Fuel Break

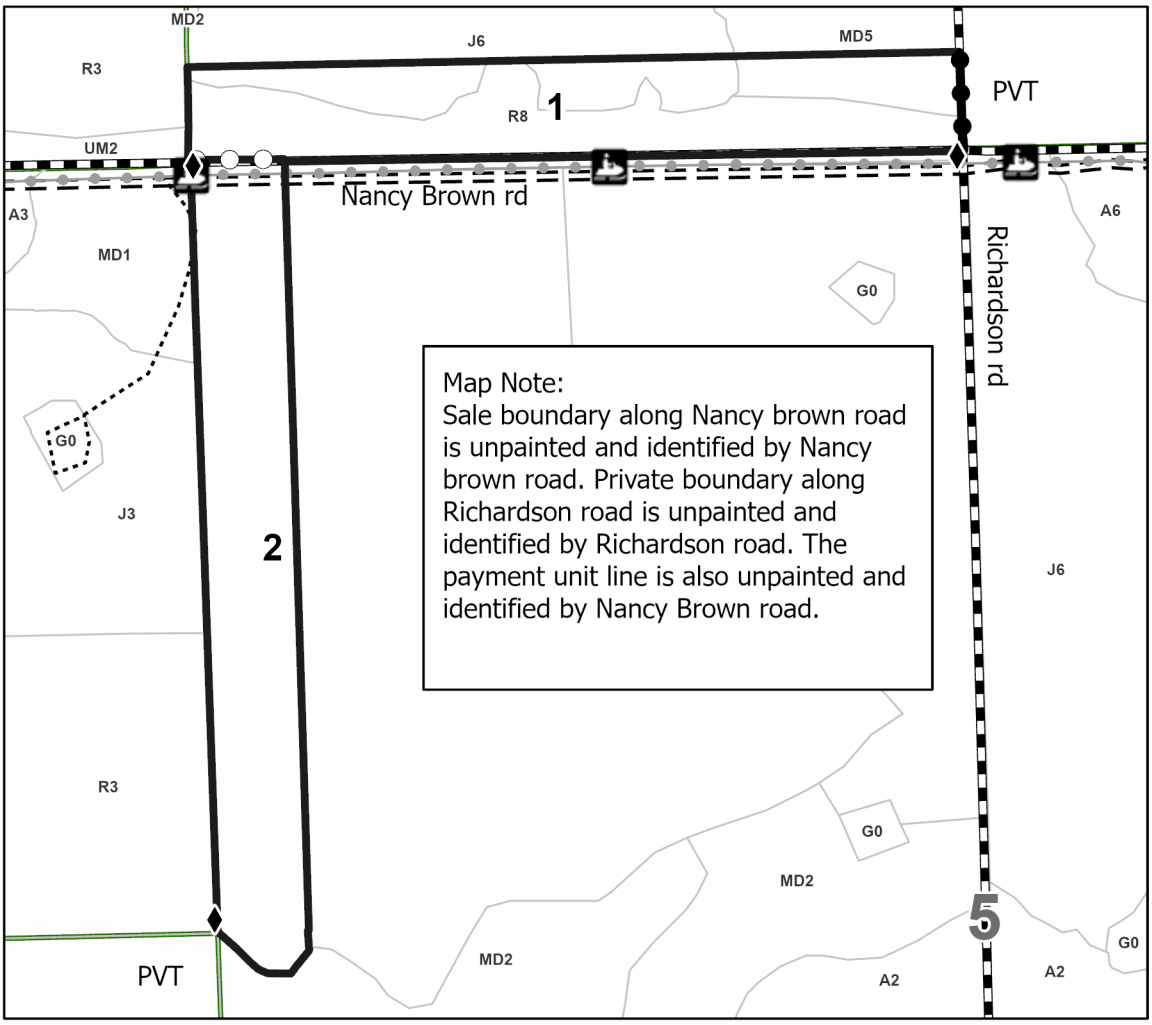
40.5 Acres

Locator Map 1:100,000



0 0.13 0.25 0.5 Miles

N W E S



Legend

- Sale Boundary (Red)
- Private Line (Blue)
- Payment Unit (Unpainted)
- Forest Access Route
- Administrative Access Only
- Government Gravel/Dirt
- Recreational Trails
- Field Grade Corner

Use QR Code to open Map in App