

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7606

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 9:00 a.m. (local time) on April 1, 2025. LOCATION: GAYLORD MGMT UNIT, 1732 WEST M 32, GAYLORD, MI 49735.

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

Road Trip Mix (52-014-24) / T30N, R01W, SEC. 32, S1/2SW.

T30N, R01W, SEC. 33, S1/2SE.

Otsego County, Advertised Price \$55,944.10, 65.2 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:

PRODUCTS & SPECIES	<b>ESTIMATE</b>	D UNITS*	<u>ADV</u>	ERTISED PRICE
Sawtimber				
B. T. Aspen	62.7	MBF	\$	56.00 / MBF
Red Maple	86.1	MBF	\$	107.00 / MBF
Red Oak	73.9	MBF	\$	149.00 / MBF
Sugar Maple	66.0	MBF	\$	234.00 / MBF
White Oak	2.0	MBF	\$	81.00 / MBF
Pulpwood				
Beech	106	Cords	\$	14.90 / Cord
Mixed Aspen	457	Cords	\$	14.60 / Cord
Mixed Hardwood	395	Cords	\$	14.90 / Cord
Red Oak	67	Cords	\$	34.25 / Cord
White Oak	5	Cords	\$	34.25 / Cord

<sup>\*</sup> The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 19.96 percent. There are an estimated 1, 711 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 342 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 \$2,797.21 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

32.2% 02 67.8%

- 4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- 5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 06/30/2029.

# **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	
135,171	1,711	19.96%	1,369	2,053	

#### **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
22	23,263	294	42.61%	169	420
24	20,060	254	47.46%	133	374
37	27,574	349	60.61%	137	561
39	64,274	814	27.21%	592	1,035
TOTAL:	135,171	1,711		1,032	2,390

# **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.

TOTAL:	65.2		65.2
39	23.9	2	23.9
37	11.9	2	11.9
24	10.8	1	10.8
22	18.6	1	18.6
VDU	VDU ACRES	PU	PU ACRES

# DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
		Sawtimber		MBF		
1	Red Maple Red Oak	Sawumber	14.0 67.7	MBF	29.4	\$18,039.30
	White Oak		2.0	MBF		
		Dulpurood	2.0 7	Cords		
	Beech	Pulpwood	/ 171			
	Mixed Aspen			Cords		
	B. T. Aspen		62	Cords		
	Quaking Aspen		109	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		119	Cords		
	Red Maple		119	Cords		
	Red Oak		51	Cords		
	White Oak		5	Cords		
2	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	62.7	MBF	35.8	\$37,904.80
	Red Maple		72.1	MBF		
	Red Oak		6.2	MBF		
	Sugar Maple		66.0	MBF		
	Beech	Pulpwood	99	Cords		
	Mixed Aspen		286	Cords		
	B. T. Aspen		255	Cords		
	Quaking Aspen		31	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		276	Cords		
	Paper Birch		8	Cords		
	Red Maple		106	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		162	Cords		
	Red Oak		16	Cords		
		TOTAL:	290.7	MBF		
		TOTAL:	1,030	Cords		

# Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Road Trip Mix Sale Number: 52-014-24 Seq#: 2

#### 1 - Sale Area

#### 1.2 - Boundaries

#### 1.2.1 - Painted Boundaries (9/19)

The sale boundary is marked and identified by red and blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines adjacent to private property are marked with blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Retention areas are shown on the Timber Sale Map and are located outside the sale boundary; no harvesting equipment may operate within these areas. 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 two (2) inches or more at DBH.

#### 2.2 - Utilization

# 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. Retain on site between 1/6 and 1/3 of the slash from harvested trees (treetops and limbs less than four inches in diameter). This is because biomass retention requirements.

#### 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. There will be only one division per Payment Unit.

# 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 (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 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.

#### 4.2 - 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.

# 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.

#### 5.1.3 - Well Heads and Natural Gas Pipelines (11/15)

The Purchaser is responsible for contacting the gas or pipeline company and/or MISS DIG 30 days prior to operating equipment in the vicinity of well heads or natural gas pipelines.

# 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.

# 5.1.6 - Utility R.O.W. (4/19)

It is the responsibility of the Purchaser to obtain permission from the utility company to utilize the power line R.O.W. for operations.

# 5.2 - Conduct of Operations

#### 5.2.1 - Slash

### 5.2.1.8 - Slash Height (12/08)

No slash or tree tops may exceed 24 inches in height. In addition, in Payment Unit 1, tops and slash shall be placed on oak stumps to protect regen sprouts from browse damage. Slash height restriction is not applicable to tree tops on stumps.

#### 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

#### 5.2.3.4 - Oak Wilt Restriction, No Exceptions (1/18)

Within Payment Units 1 and 2, cutting, skidding, 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

# 5.2.4.2 - Dead and down creation, hare and grouse (1/14)

To improve habitat for snowshoe hare, grouse, and other species, the Purchaser is to leave two trees, nine (9) inches or larger in diameter on the ground for every two acres. They should be scattered throughout the sale or positioned per the Sale Administrator's instructions. If possible, the logs or trees should be felled so they overlap. Note these pieces should have a minimum length of 10 feet. They can be of any tree species and can be an un-merchantable piece of wood or a full tree.

# 5.2.29 - Shrub Protection (1/20)

Do not cut or damage hawthorn, witch-hazel, dogwood or juneberry. These woody-shrub plants are highly beneficial to various wildlife species.

#### 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.

#### 5.2.37 - No Decking Areas (12/08)

No decking is allowed within the opening of any gas wellhead sites.

# 5.2.39 - ORV Trail/Route Protection (4/18)

The designated cycle trail is shown on the Timber Sale Map. Do not cut trees or damage posts with yellow trail markers. 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 cycle trail as the centerline. Do not run equipment down the cycle trail. Skidding across the trail may only occur in locations approved by the Sale Administrator.

#### 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 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. No decking of forest products will be permitted along the snowmobile trail during the active snowmobile season. All stumps within 5 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 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 Mud Lake Road and Douglas Lake 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.

# 6.2.3 - Recreational Trail Posting (10/20)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on the cycle 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

7.2 - Extensions

7.2.2 - No Extensions (3/09)

There will be no extensions granted on this contract.

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