



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF MICHIGAN
TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7740**

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 4:00 p.m. (local time) on February 19, 2026.

LOCATION: TRAVERSE CITY MGMT UNIT, 2122 M 37 SOUTH, TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49685.

CONTACT NAME: Matthew Edison

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

Oviatt Pine (61-042-25) / T27N, R14W, SEC. 2 , N1/2NE.

T27N, R14W, SEC. 4 , NENE.

Benzie County, Advertised Price \$75,663.00, 44.0 Acres, Red Pine, White Pine.

TIMBER SALE INFORMATION

Oviatt Pine (61-042-25)

T27N, R14W, SEC. 2; T27N, R14W, SEC. 4.

Benzie County (Advertised Price \$75,663.00)

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 & SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED UNITS*</u>	<u>ADVERTISED PRICE</u>
Sawtimber		
Red Pine	247.7 MBF	\$ 141.00 / MBF
Sugar Maple	6.4 MBF	\$ 213.00 / MBF
White Pine	40.8 MBF	\$ 80.00 / MBF
Pulpwood		
Mixed Hardwood	70 Cords	\$ 17.85 / Cord
Red Pine	510 Cords	\$ 59.95 / Cord
White Pine	157 Cords	\$ 27.30 / Cord

* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 16.53 percent. There are an estimated 1,429 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 236 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 \$3,783.15 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	9.6%
02	4.2%
03	86.2%
4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 09/30/2028.

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			STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORDS	
TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
112,881	1,429	16.53%	1,193	1,665

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
9	18,337	232	28.32%	166	298
11	4,193	53	54.30%	24	82
13	86,521	1,095	20.94%	866	1,325
51	3,830	48	51.18%	24	73
TOTAL:	112,881	1,429		1,080	1,778

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
TOTAL:			

DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	White Pine	Sawtimber	27.8	MBF	16.5	\$7,239.35
	Mixed Hardwood	Pulpwood	7	Cords		
	Black Cherry		7	Cords		
	Red Pine		16	Cords		
	White Pine		144	Cords		
2	Red Pine	Sawtimber	0.7	MBF	3.3	\$3,156.15
	Red Pine	Pulpwood	51	Cords		
3	Red Pine	Sawtimber	247.0	MBF	24.2	\$65,267.50
	Sugar Maple		6.4	MBF		
	White Pine		13.0	MBF		
	Mixed Hardwood	Pulpwood	63	Cords		
	Beech		32	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		31	Cords		
	Red Pine		443	Cords		
	White Pine		13	Cords		
TOTAL:			294.9	MBF		
TOTAL:			737	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Oviatt Pine

Sale Number: 61-042-25 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 and yellow paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Interior Payment Unit boundaries are marked with yellow paint. The painted boundary line trees are not Included Timber and are to be protected unless marked with orange paint. Yellow painted trees designating an interior Payment Unit boundary are only to be cut when all surrounding Payment Units have been paid.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.1 - Clearcut Unit(s) with Unmerchantable Trees (6/14)

Within Payment Unit(s) 3, cut all trees that are one (1) inch or more at DBH, regardless of the merchantability.

2.1.3 - Cut Tree Marked Unit(s) (12/08)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2, all trees are designated for cutting when marked with orange paint above and below stump height, regardless of merchantability.

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.2 - Chipping Required (12/24)

Payment Unit 3 must be chip harvested to facilitate subsequent planting operations. 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 treetops and limbs less than four (4) inches in diameter does not apply (G. C. & R. 2.2). This is because of future planting operations.

2.2.3 - Stump Heights (12/24)

Stump heights within Payment Unit 3 shall not exceed six (6) inches for all trees. This is in order to facilitate planting operations.

4 - Transportation

4.1 - Construction

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. Only skid trails will be allowed.

4.2 - Maintenance

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.

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.

5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

5.8.3 - Red-shouldered Hawk or Goshawk (1) (1/25)

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 Oviatt Rd 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.

**TIMBER SALE MAP**

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Sale Number
61-042-25Date
09/03/2025

Forest Management Unit

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Density

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**Payment Unit
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3	24.2

Oviatt Pine**44.0 Acres****Legend**

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- Payment Unit (Yellow)
- Primary Forest Road
- Forest Access Route
- Administrative Access Only
- Paved Road
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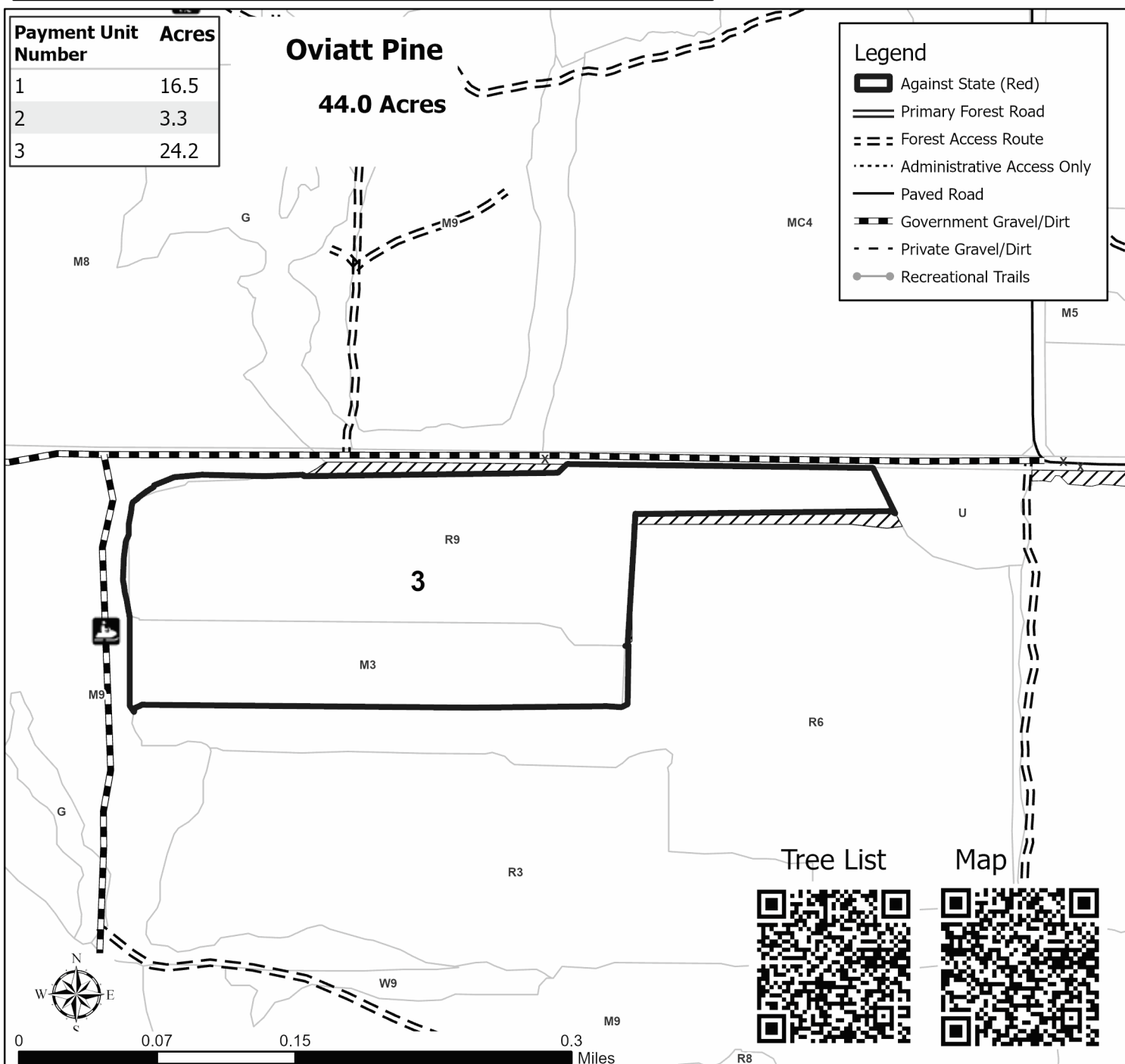
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