

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7775

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 9:00 a.m. (local time) on January 12, 2026.

LOCATION: GRAYLING MGMT UNIT, 1955 HARTWICK PINES ROAD, GRAYLING, MI 49738.

<u>CONTACT NAME:</u> Tom Barnes <u>PHONE NUMBER:</u> (231) 384-7732

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

<u>Ice-Guardians Of The Canopy</u> (72-040-25) / T28N, R02E, SEC. 22, SENW,NENE,S1/2NE,NESW. T28N, R02E, SEC. 23, W1/2NW,NWSW.

Oscoda County, Advertised Price \$20,825.15, 91.2 Acres, Aspen, Hardwood.

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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*		<u>ADVE</u>	ADVERTISED PRICE	
Pulpwood					
B. T. Aspen	1,140	Cords	\$	12.05 / Cord	
Mixed Hardwood	250	Cords	\$	14.75 / Cord	
Mixed Oak	237	Cords	\$	13.25 / Cord	
White Pine	24	Cords	\$	10.85 / Cord	

^{*} The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 18.50 percent. There are an estimated 1,657 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 307 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 \$1,041.26 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	21.5%
02	68.1%
03	10.4%

- 4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- 5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 03/31/2028.

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.

VOL	VOLUME		VOLUME STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORD		ANGE IN CORDS
TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	
130,885	1,657	18.50%	1,350	1,963	

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
6	64,315	814	26.15%	601	1,027
12	8,373	106	73.17%	28	184
13	19,344	245	42.43%	141	349
23	25,028	317	49.37%	160	473
51	13,825	175	73.18%	47	303
TOTAL:	130,885	1,657		978	2,336

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	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	212	Cords	24.6	\$4,473.35
	Mixed Hardwood	·	69	Cords		
	Black Cherry		3	Cords		
	Paper Birch		7	Cords		
	Red Maple		59	Cords		
	Mixed Oak		68	Cords		
	/Red (Hybrid) Oak	Sawtimber	4.0	MBF		
	/Red (Hybrid) Oak	Pulpwood	41	Cords		
	Northern Pin Oak		19	Cords		
2	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	789	Cords	48.2	\$14,192.10
	Mixed Hardwood		167	Cords		
	Black Cherry		42	Cords		
	Red Maple		125	Cords		
	Mixed Oak		148	Cords		
	Northern Pin Oak		148	Cords		
	White Pine		24	Cords		
	White Pine	Sawtimber	5.7	MBF		
	White Pine	Pulpwood	13	Cords		
3	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	139	Cords	18.4	\$2,159.70
	Mixed Hardwood		14	Cords		
	Black Cherry		8	Cords		
	Red Maple		6	Cords		
	Mixed Oak		21	Cords		
	/Red (Hybrid) Oak		21	Cords		
		TOTAL:	1,651	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Ice-Guardians Of The Canopy Sale Number: 72-040-25 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. Retention patches are marked with red paint; no harvesting activities may occur 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) 1-3, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH, except do not cut red or white pine greater than 20" DBH.

2.1.11 - Description of Timber Note (2/04)

Note that this sale is a 2025 ice storm salvage sale. The damage primarily involved the limb breakage of the aspen and other mixed hardwood species.

3 - Payments

3.4 - Damaged Timber

3.4.2 - Special Protection Trees (1/25)

The Purchaser shall not cut live or dead special protection trees within cutting units or clearings. Special protection trees are red or white pine greater than 20" DBH within Payment Units 1-3. If Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection trees through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$500 as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for each special protection tree cut or damaged. Such payment does not constitute ownership of the undesignated timber.

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, 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. 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. 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.

4.1.11 - Permits (2/12)

The Purchaser will secure any necessary permits that may be required.

5 - Operations

5.1 - Notification

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

The Purchaser is responsible for contacting the gas or pipeline company prior to operating equipment in the vicinity of well heads or natural gas pipelines.

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.4 - Dead and Down Creation

5.2.4.4 - Dead and Down Creation, Grouse (6/18)

To encourage grouse and other wildlife, in Payment Unit(s) 1, leave one 12" or larger diameter (or largest diameter trees within stand) whole tree on the ground for every two (2) acres, preferably a hardwood species such as oak or maple or if no hardwoods are present, a pine species (white or red). These trees will be evenly scattered throughout the sale area, preferably at least two chains from any roads, two-tracks, or trails open to vehicles.

5.2.29 - Shrub Protection (1/20)

Reasonable care should be taken to avoid cutting or damaging hawthorn, 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.

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

The MCCCT is an ORV trail or route and is shown on the Timber Sale Map. Do not cut trees or damage posts with yellow ORV markers. All stumps within five (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 ORV trail or route as the centerline. Do not run equipment down the ORV trail or route. Skidding across the trail or route may only occur in locations approved by the Sale Administrator.

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 Oak 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.

6.2.3 - Recreational Trail Posting (10/20)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on MCCCT 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 because it is a 2025 ice storm salvage sale

7.5 - Loss

7.5.1 - Deteriorating Timber (7/09)

The Sale Area has received damage from the 2025 ice storm. The Purchaser should harvest the wood as soon as possible. The Department of Natural Resources is held free of responsibility of any further damage or deterioration due to delay in harvesting.

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