



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF MICHIGAN
TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7776**

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: **4:00 p.m. (local time) on May 7, 2026.**

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

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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:

Nervous Buddy Aspen (61-101-26) / T27N, R05W, SEC. 21, NE, S1/2SW, N1/2SE.

T27N, R05W, SEC. 22, SWNW, NWSW.

Kalkaska County, Advertised Price \$46,091.55, 90.7 Acres, Aspen, White Pine.

TIMBER SALE INFORMATION

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T27N, R05W, SEC. 21; T27N, R05W, SEC. 22.
Kalkaska County (Advertised Price \$46,091.55)

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 Oak	8.1 MBF	\$ 144.00 / MBF
Red Pine	18.7 MBF	\$ 137.00 / MBF
Pulpwood		
Balsam Fir	9 Cords	\$ 32.60 / Cord
Black Cherry	98 Cords	\$ 16.65 / Cord
Jack Pine	13 Cords	\$ 13.40 / Cord
Mixed Aspen	1,281 Cords	\$ 24.75 / Cord
Red Maple	76 Cords	\$ 16.65 / Cord
Red Oak	40 Cords	\$ 30.55 / Cord
Red Pine	7 Cords	\$ 60.10 / Cord
White Pine	207 Cords	\$ 27.30 / Cord

* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 18.76 percent. There are an estimated 1,796 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 337 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 \$2,304.58 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	24.8%
02	32.2%
03	43.0%
4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 09/30/2029.

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
141,871	1,796	18.76%	1,459	2,133

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
17	31,731	402	37.92%	249	554
27	110,140	1,394	21.79%	1,090	1,698
TOTAL:	141,871	1,796		1,340	2,252

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	Red Oak	Sawtimber	6.3	MBF	16.1	\$11,445.50			
	Red Pine		10.2	MBF					
	Balsam Fir	Pulpwood	9	Cords					
	Jack Pine		6	Cords					
	Mixed Aspen		264	Cords					
	<i>B. T. Aspen</i>		171	<i>Cords</i>					
	<i>Quaking Aspen</i>		93	<i>Cords</i>					
	Red Maple		5	Cords					
	Red Oak		13	Cords					
	Red Pine		1	Cords					
	White Pine		62	Cords					
	<i>White Pine</i>	<i>Sawtimber</i>	9.7	<i>MBF</i>					
	<i>White Pine</i>	<i>Pulpwood</i>	43	<i>Cords</i>					
	2	Red Oak	Sawtimber	0.8			MBF	31.8	\$14,828.40
Red Pine			3.6	MBF					
Black Cherry		Pulpwood	42	Cords					
Jack Pine			3	Cords					
Mixed Aspen			434	Cords					
<i>B. T. Aspen</i>			209	<i>Cords</i>					
<i>Quaking Aspen</i>			225	<i>Cords</i>					
Red Maple			30	Cords					
Red Oak			12	Cords					
Red Pine			3	Cords					
White Pine			62	Cords					
<i>White Pine</i>			62	<i>Cords</i>					
3		Red Oak	Sawtimber	1.0	MBF	42.8	\$19,817.65		
		Red Pine		4.9	MBF				
	Black Cherry	Pulpwood	56	Cords					
	Jack Pine		4	Cords					
	Mixed Aspen		583	Cords					
	<i>B. T. Aspen</i>		281	<i>Cords</i>					
	<i>Quaking Aspen</i>		302	<i>Cords</i>					
	Red Maple		41	Cords					
	Red Oak		15	Cords					
	Red Pine		3	Cords					
	White Pine		83	Cords					
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	TOTAL:			26.8	MBF				
	TOTAL:			1,731	Cords				

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Nervous Buddy Aspen

Sale Number: 61-101-26 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 blue, red and yellow paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against private property are marked with blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Interior Payment Unit boundaries are marked with yellow 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. 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) 1, 2 and 3, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH, except do not cut any green marked trees or white oak within sale boundary.

In addition all pine and oak under 4.5 inches in DBH is protected during harvest.

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.3 - Stump Heights (12/24)

Stump heights within the Sale Area shall not exceed 12 inches for trees greater than 10 inches at DBH and four (4) inches for trees smaller than 10 inches at DBH.

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.

3.4 - Damaged Timber

3.4.1 - Damaged Timber (12/24)

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.

Within the Sale Area, if more than 30% of the oak or pine seedlings or saplings (1/4" to 4.5" DBH) within a specified portion of the Sale Area are damaged, liquidated damages will be assessed at \$500 per acre for all acreage within that specified portion of the Sale Area that was damaged.

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 White Pine and White Oak over 25 Inches in DBH. This sale condition only applies to Payment units 1, 2 and 3. If Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection trees through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$1,000 Per Tree 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.

4.1.11 - Permits (2/12)

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

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

4.2.4 - 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.

5 - Operations

5.1 - Notification

5.1.1 - Pre-sale Conference (10/25)

A pre-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and Sale Administrator is required prior to beginning any operations. Landing and road locations will be determined at that time. The Unit Manager or his/her representative must be contacted at least 5 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

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.8 - Slash Height (12/08)

No slash or tree tops may exceed 24 inches in height.

5.2.1.10 - No Slash in Openings (5/10)

No brush or logging debris is to be left in the maintained wildlife opening which is indicated by G0(Grass cover type-zero stocked) on the Timber Sale Map. Any damage to the opening shall be repaired according to specifications of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

5.2.3.5 - Oak Wilt Restriction (1/18)

Within Payment Units 1, 2, and 3 unless changed by written agreement, 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. Operations may be allowed if specific steps are taken to prevent damaging uncut oak during the high-risk period. Those steps may include completing all road brushing before April 15 and clearing a tree-length buffer along uncut oak cover before April 15. This is necessary to reduce the spread of oak wilt. For more information, contact the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

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, 2 and 3 leave one, 12" diameter or larger log-length (8 foot minimum) piece on the ground for every two (2) acres. These trees will be evenly scattered throughout the Payment Unit, preferably at least two chains from any roads, two-tracks, or trails open to vehicles. This can be an unmerchantable piece or a full tree.

5.2.29 - Shrub Protection (1/20)

Do not cut or damage hawthorn, witch-hazel, dogwood or serviceberry/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 50 feet of the wildlife opening within sale boundary. The opening is managed for wildlife and will not be used as part of the timber sale.

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 are 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.

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 all county and state two tracks 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

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

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Forest Management Unit Traverse City Mgt Unit	County Kalkaska	Mapped By: Tom Peterson
		Cruised By: Peterson & Roell

Township 27N	Range 05W	Section(s) and Subdivision(s) Sec. 21 NE,S1/2SW,N1/2SE; Sec. 22 SWNW,NWSW;
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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

