



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
STATE OF MICHIGAN  
**TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7785**

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 10:00 a.m. (local time) on February 18, 2026.

LOCATION: SW REGION-WILD, 621 NORTH 10TH STREET, PLAINWELL, MI 49080.

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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 Game Area Manager, ALLEGAN SGA, for certain timber on the following described lands:

Dalmatian Aspen (19-002-25) / T02N, R14W, SEC. 18, SENW,NENE,E1/2SW,N1/2SE.  
T02N, R14W, SEC. 7 , SESE.

Allegan County, Advertised Price \$8,285.00, 23.9 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:

<u>PRODUCTS &amp; SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED UNITS*</u>	<u>ADVERTISED PRICE</u>
Sawtimber		
B. T. Aspen	219.8 MBF	\$ 23.00 / MBF
Black Cherry	16.0 MBF	\$ 25.00 / MBF
Red Maple	1.1 MBF	\$ 25.00 / MBF
White Oak	4.7 MBF	\$ 20.00 / MBF
Pulpwood		
B. T. Aspen	447 Cords	\$ 5.40 / Cord
Mixed Hardwood	64 Cords	\$ 4.35 / Cord
White Pine	6 Cords	\$ 2.65 / Cord

\* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 16.46 percent. There are an estimated 1,085 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 179 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 \$414.25 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 remainder is due before cutting begins.
  - (c) Payment for each of the following units must be made before cutting begins in that unit:

<u>PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER</u>	<u>PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE</u>
01	100.0%

4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 04/14/2028.

### **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.

<u>VOLUME</u>		<u>STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORDS</u>		
<u>TOTAL CUBIC FEET</u>	<u>TOTAL CORDS</u>	<u>PERCENT ERROR</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
85,677	1,085	16.46%	906	1,263

## 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
20	18,922	240	45.12%	131	348
22	10,320	131	41.56%	76	185
26	13,709	174	50.40%	86	261
39	17,875	226	19.40%	182	270
41	2,707	34	123.41%	0	77
43	22,144	280	36.44%	178	382
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>85,677</b>	<b>1,085</b>		<b>654</b>	<b>1,523</b>

## 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
<b>TOTAL:</b>			

## DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	B. T. Aspen	Sawtimber	219.8	MBF	23.9	\$8,285.00
	Black Cherry		16.0	MBF		
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	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	447	Cords		
	Mixed Hardwood		64	Cords		
	<i>Black Cherry</i>		43	<i>Cords</i>		
	<i>Red Maple</i>		19	<i>Cords</i>		
	<i>White Oak</i>		2	<i>Cords</i>		
	White Pine		6	Cords		
		<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>241.6</b>	<b>MBF</b>		
		<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>Cords</b>		

## **Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements**

**Sale Name: Dalmatian Aspen**

**Sale Number: 19-002-25 Seq#: 2**

### **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.

### **2 - Timber Specifications**

#### **2.1 - Included Timber**

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

Within Payment Unit(s) 1, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH.

#### **2.2 - Utilization**

##### **2.2.3 - Stump Heights (12/24)**

Stump heights within the Sale Area shall not exceed six (6) inches for all trees. This is in order to facilitate future operations.

### **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. 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. Contact the Sale Administrator for specific details of design and placement.

#### **4.3 - Public Right-of-Way**

##### **4.3.2 - County R-O-W (12/06)**

The County must be contacted prior to crossing or harvesting in the County Road R-O-W.

#### **4.4 - Access**

##### **4.4.3 - Access gate (12/08)**

The access gate must be locked at the completion of each day unless otherwise approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

### **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 a Payment Unit to determine landing and road locations. The Unit Manager or his/her representative must be contacted at least 10 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

#### 5.2.1.1 - Slash Within Sale Area (9/16)

No trees are to be felled outside the Sale Area, and all slash is to be kept at least 10 feet back from the red paint line. If sale boundary lines are along a public road or highway, then slash must be removed 50' from these lines per General Condition & Requirement 5.2.1.

#### 5.2.1.10 - No Slash in Openings (5/10)

No brush or logging debris is to be left in wildlife openings which is indicated by G99 on the Timber Sale Map. Any damage to the opening shall be repaired according to specifications of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

### 5.2.2 - 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 Unit 1, 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.

#### 5.2.29 - 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.

#### 5.2.31 - Landing Locations (9/13)

Landings must be located within the sale boundary and confined to the agreed upon designated locations by the Sale Administrator and cannot be created until such agreement of locations have been made between the Purchaser and the Sale Administrator.

#### 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.

#### 5.2.38 - No Decking Against Live Trees (2/04)

Cut products may not be decked against unmarked or designated leave trees.

#### 5.2.40 - Pathway Protection (10/10)

There is a pathway trail that runs parallel south of 120th Ave and is shown on the Timber Sale Map. It runs through the sale in this area. An additional pathway trail runs parallel west of 46th St and will be crossed to access the sale unit. Maintain a 20-foot-wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily, using the pathway as the centerline. The condition of this trail is to be in the same condition or better after all logging operations are completed for this particular Sale Area.

## 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.

## 5.6 - Debris and Waste Material

### 5.6.3 - Equipment Cleaning (9/24)

For purposes of this provision, "Off-Road Equipment" includes all logging and construction machinery, except for log trucks, chip vans, service vehicles, water trucks, pickup trucks, cars, and similar vehicles. Off-Road Equipment brought on site must be clean and free from plant material and soil prior to arrival on any Payment Unit. Off-Road Equipment shall be cleaned of plant material and dirt prior to being moved to a new stand within the sale. Plant material includes leaves, stems, roots and seeds. Equipment shall be considered clean when a visual inspection does not disclose seeds, soil, vegetative matter, and other debris that could contain or hold seeds. This is to prevent the spread of invasive plant species.

## 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 adjacent roads 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 the pathway trail that runs parallel south of 120th Ave as well as parallel west of 46th St 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

### 7.10 - Certified Timber

#### 7.10.1 - Non-Certified Timber (2/16)

The area encompassed by this timber sale is not certified to the standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI). Forest products from this sale may not be delivered to the mill as "FSC and / or SFI certified". The lands within this sale are managed as a State Game Area.



Michigan Department of Natural Resources - Forest Resources Division

## **TIMBER SALE MAP**

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

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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