



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF MICHIGAN
TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7872**

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: **9:00 a.m. (local time) on July 14, 2026.**

LOCATION: **GAYLORD MGMT UNIT, 1732 WEST M 32, GAYLORD, MI 49735.**

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

Two Timing Aspen (52-009-26) / T29N, R03W, SEC. 16, N1/2NE, SWNE.

Otsego County, Advertised Price \$25,795.90, 42.4 Acres, Hardwood, Red Oak.

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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 & SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED UNITS*</u>	<u>ADVERTISED PRICE</u>
Sawtimber		
B. T. Aspen	47.8 MBF	\$ 38.00 / MBF
Red Maple	10.5 MBF	\$ 68.00 / MBF
Red Oak	98.4 MBF	\$ 142.00 / MBF
Pulpwood		
B. T. Aspen	213 Cords	\$ 10.80 / Cord
Beech	27 Cords	\$ 10.50 / Cord
Paper Birch	4 Cords	\$ 33.10 / Cord
Red Maple	383 Cords	\$ 10.50 / Cord
Red Oak	116 Cords	\$ 20.45 / Cord
White Pine	14 Cords	\$ 13.05 / Cord

* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 18.03 percent. There are an estimated 1,125 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 203 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 \$2,579.59 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:

PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE
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 12/31/2028.

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.

VOLUME		STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORDS		
TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
88,838	1,125	18.03%	922	1,327

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
84	88,838	1,125	18.03%	922	1,327
TOTAL:	88,838	1,125		922	1,327

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	Sawtimber	47.8	MBF	42.4	\$25,795.90	
	Red Maple		10.5	MBF			
	Red Oak		98.4	MBF			
	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood		213	Cords		
	Beech			27	Cords		
	Paper Birch			4	Cords		
	Red Maple			383	Cords		
	Red Oak			116	Cords		
	White Pine			14	Cords		
	<i>White Pine</i>		<i>Sawtimber</i>	3.6	<i>MBF</i>		
	<i>White Pine</i>	<i>Pulpwood</i>	7	<i>Cords</i>			
	TOTAL:			156.7	MBF		
	TOTAL:			757	Cords		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Two Timing Aspen

Sale Number: 52-009-26 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 and red paint, and cover type changes. Exterior sale boundary lines against private property are marked with blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Exterior sale boundary lines to the north are defined by Old State Road. Sale boundaries to the east are defined by mature Red Pine (R9) stands and sapling sized regenerating Aspen (A3) stands. 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 unless marked with orange paint.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

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

Within Payment Unit(s) , cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH, except White Pine less than 6 inches at DBH. Do not cut white pine 6 inches or less 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.

No damage is acceptable to undesignated live merchantable trees. Within the Sale Area, if more than 5 % of trees (> 4.5" DBH) within a specified area of the sale are damaged, liquidated damages will be assessed for all trees damaged. Rates will be in accordance with General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged 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.

4.1.4 - Timber Removed for Construction (3/23)

Trees cut or damaged in the process of pre-approved road, landing, or skid trail construction will be decked in an area separate from other Designated Timber and not removed until measured by the Sale Administrator. Payment will be made at contract prices or average prices, if not on the contract.

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

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.2 - Fill Material (4/07)

To maintain roads, fill material may be needed in areas where "holes" exist or may be expected to develop. This fill material should be placed before trucking begins.

4.2.3 - Road maintenance (8/13)

The following road maintenance may be needed: Within 60 days of completion of hauling, or if no hauling occurs for 60 days, the road must be maintained and graded. This includes cleaning of drainage areas, grading, crowning and filling with gravel, if necessary. Damages will be assessed if grading/repair does not occur.

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

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

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

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.

5.2.2 - 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

5.2.3.5 - Oak Wilt Restriction (1/18)

Within Payment Unit(s), 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.

5.2.3.11 - Coppice Regeneration Protection (4/10)

Timber harvesting in any Payment Unit must be completed before significant aspen sprouting occurs in that Payment Unit, so as to minimize damage to the new regeneration. Any post-harvest operations, such as chipping, must be completed before sprouting of regeneration occurs. If it is anticipated that chipping will be delayed, then tops shall be carried to one central location or left unchipped. The Unit Manager or his/her representative may cease such operations if sprouting occurs before the operation is complete.

5.2.4 - Dead and Down Creation

5.2.4.2 - Dead and Down Creation, Hare and Grouse (1/25)

To improve habitat for snowshoe hare, grouse, and other species, the Purchaser is to leave two 14-inch diameter or larger log size pieces on the ground for every two (2) 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 five (5) feet. They can be of any tree species and can be an un-merchantable piece of wood or a full tree.

5.2.4.3 - Dead and Down Creation, Dead Trees (6/07)

Except as provided for in General Condition and Requirement 5.2.2, no dead trees, standing or down, are to be cut, skidded, or processed.

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.

5.4 - 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.

5.4.2 - Skid Trails (2/04)

Skid trails up and down slopes should be avoided. If, however, this is unavoidable, these trails will be left in a non-erodible condition using water bars, logs, and slash. Placing of slash on these skid trails while logging is ongoing may alleviate need for any further action. At the direction of the Sale Administrator, seed, fertilizer, and mulch may also be required.

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 all haul routes 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.

7 - Other Conditions

7.2 - Extensions

7.2.2 - No Extensions (3/09)

There will be no extensions granted on this contract.

7.5 - Loss

7.5.1 - Deteriorating Timber (7/09)

The Sale Area has received damage from 2025 Ice Storm, damage is minor and the effect on merchantable wood should be minimal. 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.



TIMBER SALE MAP

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

Sale Number	Date	
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Forest Management Unit	County	Mapped By: Crew
Gaylord Mgt Unit	Otsego	Cruised By: Crew

Township	Range	Section(s) and Subdivision(s)
29N	03W	Sec. 16 N1/2NE,SWNE;

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

Payment Unit Number	Acres
1	42.4

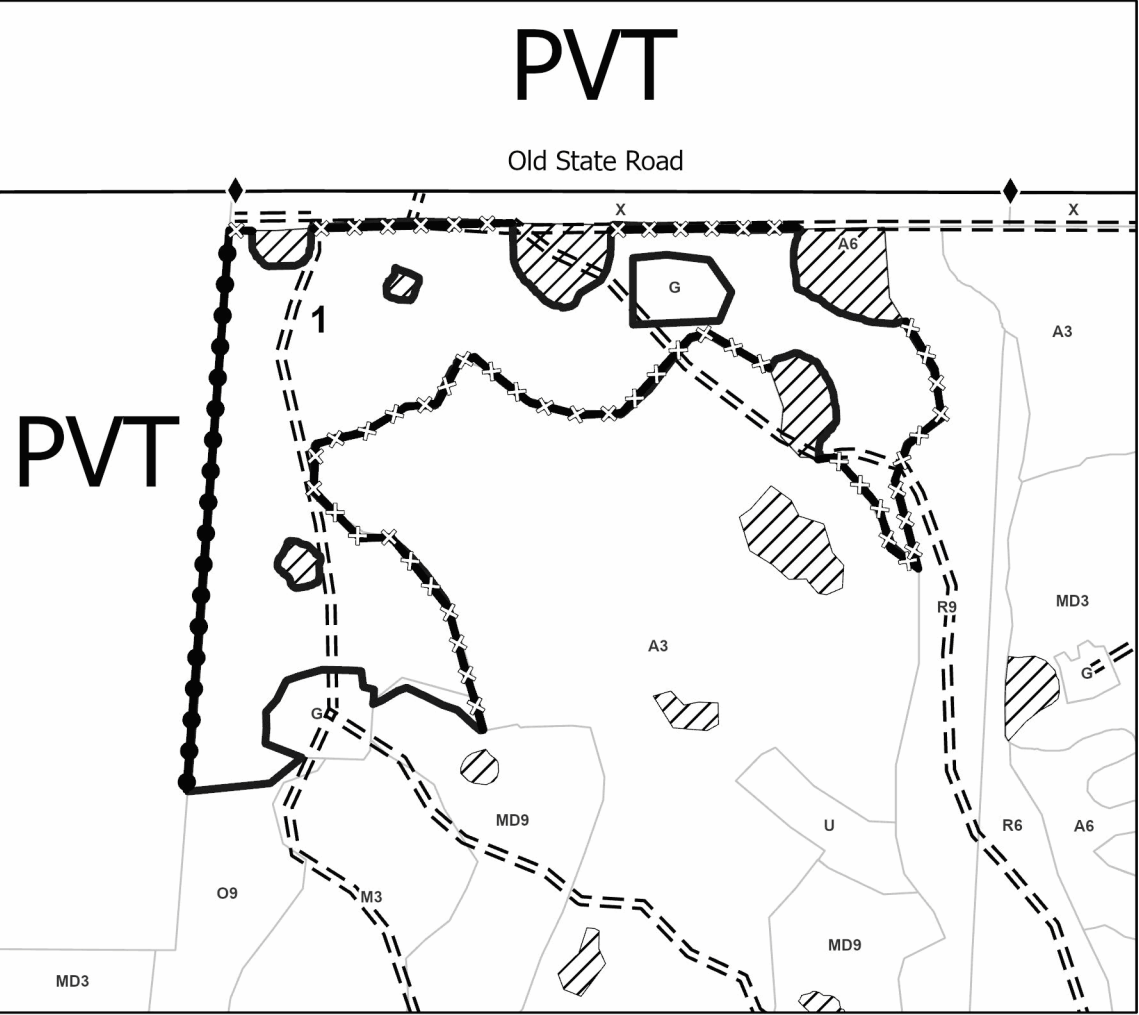
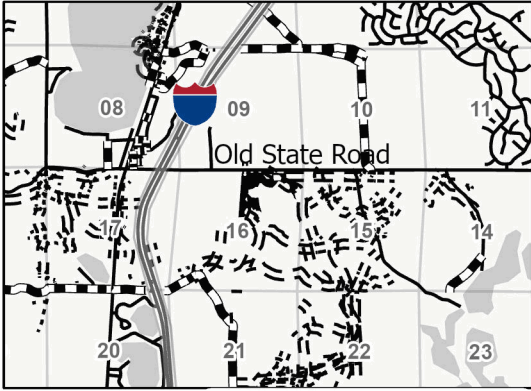
Two Timing Aspen

42.4 Acres

Map Note:
All state forest roads have associated gas/oil lines. Coming off of Old State Road note large Trans Canada lines that need to be crossed.



Locator Map 1:100,000



Legend

- Against State (Red)
- Against State (Cover Type Change)
- Private Line (Blue)
- Forest Access Route
- Paved Road
- Field Grade Corner

