



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF MICHIGAN
TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7913**

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

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

CONTACT NAME: Tom Barnes

PHONE NUMBER: (231) 384-7732

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

Half Fun Guy Mix (72-001-26) / T26N, R03W, SEC. 10, W1/2NW.

T26N, R03W, SEC. 3, W1/2SW.

T26N, R03W, SEC. 9, NENE.

Crawford County, Advertised Price \$5,523.00, 38.5 Acres, Hardwood, Jack Pine.

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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>
Pulpwood		
B. T. Aspen	32 Cords	\$ 8.80 / Cord
Balsam Fir	8 Cords	\$ 11.95 / Cord
Jack Pine	175 Cords	\$ 6.35 / Cord
Mixed Oak	269 Cords	\$ 9.65 / Cord
Red Maple	31 Cords	\$ 9.00 / Cord
Red Pine	17 Cords	\$ 27.00 / Cord
White Pine	98 Cords	\$ 7.15 / Cord

* The total volume is statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 22.82 percent. There are an estimated 635 cords on this timber sale, plus or minus 145 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 \$1,000.00 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	41.8%
02	58.2%
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
50,200	635	22.82%	490	780

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
32	22,817	289	34.96%	188	390
36	27,382	347	31.21%	238	455
TOTAL:	50,200	635		426	845

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	Balsam Fir	Pulpwood	4	Cords	17.7	\$2,310.70
	Jack Pine		145	Cords		
	Mixed Oak		90	Cords		
	White Oak		1.1	MBF		
	Northern Pin Oak		80	Cords		
	White Oak		8	Cords		
	Red Maple		13	Cords		
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	Red Pine		5	Cords		
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	White Pine		31	Cords		
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2	B. T. Aspen	Pulpwood	32	Cords	20.8	\$3,212.30
	Balsam Fir		4	Cords		
	Jack Pine		30	Cords		
	Mixed Oak		179	Cords		
	Northern Pin Oak		156	Cords		
	White Oak		23	Cords		
	Red Maple		18	Cords		
	Red Maple		0.8	MBF		
	Red Maple		16	Cords		
	Red Pine		12	Cords		
	Red Pine		3.6	MBF		
	Red Pine		5	Cords		
	White Pine		67	Cords		
	White Pine		7.4	MBF		
	White Pine		52	Cords		
	TOTAL:			630		

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Half Fun Guy Mix

Sale Number: 72-001-26 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 and yellow paint or are unmarked and identified on the Timber Sale Map. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint except along the Rayburn Trail as shown on the timber sale map. 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

2.1.2 - Clearcut Unit(s) w/o Unmerchantable Trees (8/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2, cut all trees which meet minimum piece specifications in 2.2 Utilization, except do not cut trees marked with green paint. Special protection trees identified in accordance with condition 3.4.2, within clearcutting unit boundaries, are not Included Timber and are to be protected. Special protection areas identified in accordance with condition 3.4.3, within clearcutting unit boundaries, are not Included Timber and are to be protected.

3 - Payments

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, reasonable care should be taken to avoid damage to tree seedlings and saplings.

Within the Sale Area, if more than 30% of the tree 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. Saplings cut cleanly for operational pathways will not be counted as damaged timber.

No damage is acceptable to undesignated live merchantable trees. Within the Sale Area, if more than 10% 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.

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 greater than 26 inches DBH (most should be marked with green paint). If Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection trees through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$250 as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for each special protection tree cut or damaged. Such payment does not constitute ownership of the undesignated timber.

3.4.3 - Special Protection Areas (8/11)

The Purchaser shall protect special protection areas from damage by the Purchaser's operations. Special protection areas are marked with a red boundary line and identified on the timber sale map (150' RMZ on the Ausable River). The Purchaser shall not cut live or dead trees within special protection areas. If the Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection areas through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$500 as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for each acre or part thereof cut or damaged. Such payment does not constitute ownership of the undesignated timber.

4 - Transportation

4.1 - Construction

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.

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.1 - Hauling Restriction (12/08)

Hauling is restricted on the Rayburn Trail/access road. The restriction is because the trail is paved for light use and cannot support log truck traffic.

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 to determine landing and road locations. The Unit Manager or his/her representative must be contacted at least 3 days in advance to schedule the conference.

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

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) 1 and 2, 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.

5.2.29 - Shrub Protection (1/20)

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

5.2.38 - 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)

The Rayburn Trail along the western boundary of Payment Units 1 and 2 is a paved trail as well as a horse trail. Maintain a 30-foot-wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily, using the pathway as the centerline. This trail may not be used for logging operations. Do not operate equipment along the trail during scheduled trail rides. The administrator will provide a minimum of two weeks notice of when scheduled trail rides are to occur.

5.3 - Stream Protection

5.3.2 - Parking Equipment Near Water (10/23)

Within Payment Unit(s) 2, the parking of or storage of equipment is prohibited within 100 feet of water bodies or ground water supplies. All equipment, when not in use for harvest operations, must be parked a minimum of 100 feet away from water sources (streams, rivers, lakes, ponds, vernal pools, ground water sources) and 50 feet away from slopes leading to water sources and/or riparian areas. This restriction is for preventing unforeseen oil and/or fluid leaks from contaminating water bodies and/or ground water supplies.

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 new temporary access 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 Rayburn Trail on the west boundary of Payment Units 1 and 2 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.

**TIMBER SALE MAP**

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

Sale Number
72-001-26Date
10/17/2025

Forest Management Unit	County	Mapped By: Derek Nellis
Grayling Mgt Unit	Crawford	Cruised By: Derek Nellis, Scott McClarren

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Township	Range	Section(s) and Subdivision(s)
26N	03W	Sec. 10 W1/2NW; Sec. 3 W1/2SW; Sec. 9 NENE;

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	17.7
2	20.8

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