



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT
STATE OF MICHIGAN

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS

SALE TIME, DATE AND LOCATION
3:00 p.m. on December 21, 2010.
INDIAN RIVER

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Unit Manager, GAYLORD MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands. The bidder is advised to inspect the sale area and review the location, estimated volumes, operating costs, and sale contract terms of the proposed sale.

INTERSTATE 75 ASPEN / T39N, R03W, SEC. 31, NW 1/4.

CHEBOYGAN COUNTY (Appr. \$3,730.75)

SALE ACRES: 25

No designated recreation site such as a trail, pathway, or campground is within the sale area or the vicinity.

Access may be through private land.

Please be aware that some landowners may request 60 days or more notice for forest harvesting access across their land.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS SALE HAS AN EXPIRATION DATE OF MAY 15, 2011. ALSO, THIS SALE IS WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF I-75 AND SIGNAGE WILL BE REQUIRED.

BID INSTRUCTIONS (Ver. 06/23/2008):

1. Bid Location, Date, and Time: Bids must be received by the Unit Manager, Gaylord Management Unit, Indian River Field Office, 6984 Wilson Road, Indian River, 49749, no later than 3:00 p.m. on December 21, 2010. For further information concerning this sale, contact the Unit Manager at 231-238-9314.
2. Bidder's Qualifications: Purchaser shall obtain workers compensation insurance to cover claims under Michigan's Worker's Disability Compensation Act of 1969 or similar employee benefit act of any other state applicable to an employee. If all or part of a timber sale was prepared by a private contractor, that contractor and that contractor's company are not permitted to bid on the timber sale contract. Bids will not be accepted from individuals or companies appearing on the DNR/FMFM No-Bid List. This list contains the names of purchasers who previously failed to execute a contract within 21-days or who have a history of poor performance.
3. Preparation of Sealed Bids: Bids shall be manually signed in ink; bid prices must be entered for each species and product in the Bid Price column for all material subject to bidding; and all fill-in blanks must be completed. If erasures or other changes appear on the forms, each erasure or change must be initialed by the person signing the bid.
4. Submission of Sealed Bids: Bid forms may be obtained from the Unit Manager. All bids must be submitted on the bid form and in an envelope clearly identified as described in this section. NOTE: Only one bid form per bid envelope. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Unit office designated in the prospectus and must be submitted at or prior to the time established in the prospectus. The envelope should show on the outside (a) that it is a "Bid for Timber," and (b) the sale name or number, and (c) the date and time of bid opening as shown in the prospectus. Bids received after the time specified in the sale prospectus are late bids and will be rejected.
5. Public Opening of Sealed Bids: If conditions permit, the sealed bids will be publicly opened and posted at the time and place set in the prospectus.
6. Award of Contract: Award of the contract will be made to the Bidder whose bid, conforming to the prospectus, is most advantageous to the State of Michigan on the basis of total value at rates bid for the estimated quantities. The State reserves the right to reject any bid or waive any minor irregularity in bids received. A written award mailed (or otherwise furnished) to the successful Bidder shall be deemed to result in a binding contract without further action by either party.
7. Down Payment: The Bidder to whom award is made must make a down payment within 21 days of the sale award. The amount of the down payment will be calculated as shown in the Bond and Payment Schedule of this prospectus. Only cash may be used to meet this requirement.
8. Performance Security: As guarantee of faithful performance, a cash bond, certificate of deposit, surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit (LOC) is required within 21 days of the sale award. The amount of the performance security is shown in the Bond and Payment Schedule of this prospectus. If an LOC or surety is used, the coverage must extend for at least 6 months beyond the contract expiration.
9. Timber Sale Contract: Additional conditions and requirements common to all timber sales are listed on the timber sale contract (R4031) and are available on line at www.michigan.gov/dnre. Contact the Unit Manager for additional information or a sample contract. Within 21 days of the date of the award letter, the bidder must sign the contract and provide the required down payment, performance security, and verification of worker's disability compensation. The down payment and performance security shall be in accordance with the provisions of the timber sale contract, in the sums stated in this prospectus. If these actions are not taken, then the Bidder, the Bidder's corporation, and the corporation's principals may not be permitted to bid on State timber sales for a period of 1 year. In addition, the Bidder certifies that if awarded this contract, the Bidder will complete the timber sale contract in accordance with its terms and any modifications thereof including requirements to purchase, cut, and remove the included timber by the termination date.

10. Disclaimer of Estimates and Bidder's Warranty of Inspection: Before submitting this bid, the Bidder is advised and cautioned to inspect the sale area, review the requirements of the sale contract, and take other steps as may be reasonably necessary to ascertain the location, estimated volumes, construction estimates, and operating costs of the proposed sale. Failure to do so will not relieve the Bidder from responsibility for completing the contract.

The Bidder warrants that this bid is submitted solely on the basis of the Bidder's examination and inspection of the quality and quantity of the timber offered for sale and the Bidder's opinion of the value thereof and the costs of recovery. No reliance should be placed on the State of Michigan's estimates of timber quality, quantity or costs of recovery. Bidder further acknowledges that the State of Michigan: (i) expressly disclaims any warranty of fitness of timber for any purpose; (ii) offers this timber as is without any warranty of quality (merchantability) or quantity and (iii) expressly disclaims any warranty as to the quantity or quality of timber sold.

11. Certification and Chain-of-Custody: Unless otherwise indicated in the contract under section 7 - Other Conditions of the Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements, the area encompassed by this timber sale is certified to the standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) - Certificate #SCS-FM/COC-090N and the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) - Certificate # NSF-SFIS-5Y031-S1. Forest products from this sale may be delivered to the mill as "FSC and / or SFI certified" as long as the contractor hauling the forest products is chain-of-custody (COC) certified or covered under a COC certificate from the destination mill. The purchaser is responsible for maintaining COC after leaving the sale area.

REBECCA A. HUMPHRIES
Director

INTERSTATE 75 ASPEN (102-11-01)

A timber sale contract for this LUMP SUM SEALED timber sale will be awarded the responsible bidder offering the highest sealed bid price. Bids must be at or above the following appraised price for each species:

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED VOLUME*</u>	<u>APPRAISED PRICE</u>
SAWLOGS		
B.T. ASPEN	36.00 MBF	\$ 34.00/MBF
PULPWOOD		
B.T. ASPEN	295.00 CORDS	\$ 7.00/CORD

In addition, the successful bidder agrees to purchase the following species at the indicated appraised price:

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>ESTIMATED VOLUME*</u>	<u>APPRAISED PRICE</u>
PULPWOOD		
RED MAPLE	83.00 CORDS	\$ 3.50/CORD
P. BIRCH	41.00 CORDS	\$ 3.50/CORD
BALSAM FIR	5.00 CORDS	\$ 1.55/CORD

*The volumes are statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 24.78 percent. These estimated volumes 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 may 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:

<u>PAYMENT UNIT NUMBER</u>	<u>PERCENT OF TOTAL SALE VALUE</u>
1	70%
2	30%

4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on May 15, 2011.



Michigan Department of Natural Resources – Forest, Mineral & Fire Management
TIMBER SALE MAP

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

SALE NUMBER	YEAR
52-102-11-01	2011
DATE	PAGE OF
10/26/2010	1 1

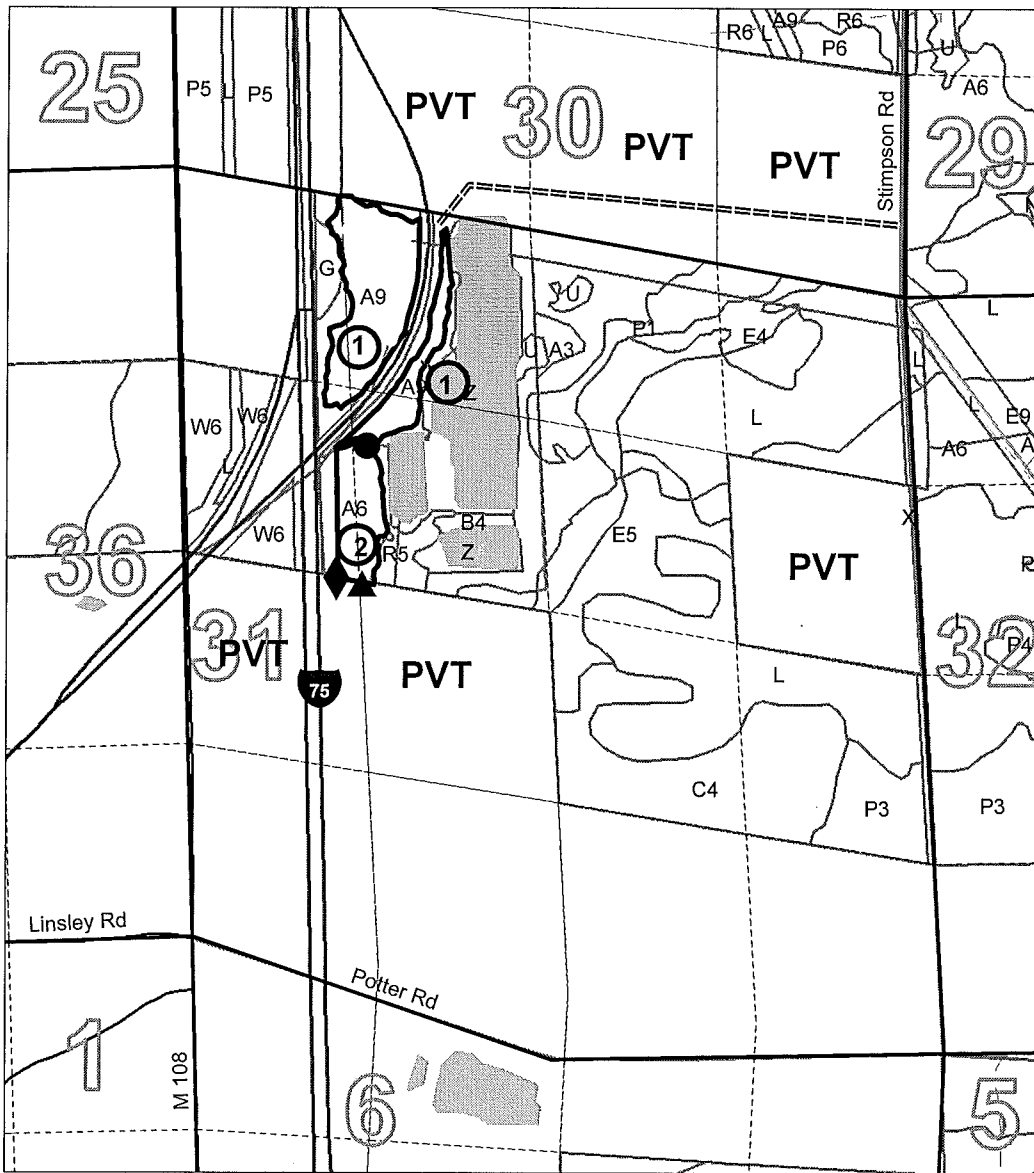
FOREST MANAGEMENT UNIT	COUNTY	MAPPED BY
Gaylord Management Unit	Cheboygan	John Scheele
		CRUISED BY
		John Scheele

TOWNSHIP	RANGE	SECTION(S) AND SUBDIVISION(S)	SCALE
39N	3W	Section 31: NW 1/4	1:15,840

Cover Type				Density	
A = Aspen	H = Hemlock	P = Lowland Poplar	V = Bog or Marsh	0 = Non Stocked	5 = Pole Timber Medium
B = Paper Birch	J = Jack Pine	Q = Mixed Swamp Cnfr	W = White Pine	1 = Seedling Sapling Poor	6 = Pole Timber Well
C = Cedar	L = Lowland Brush	R = Red Pine	X = Non Stocked	2 = Seedling Sapling Medium	7 = Saw Timber Poor
E = Swamp Hdwoods	M = Mpl, Bch, Brch	S = Black Spruce	Z = Water	3 = Seedling Sapling Well	8 = Saw Timber Medium
F = Spruce Fir	N = Marsh	T = Tamarack		4 = Pole Timber Poor	9 = Saw Timber Well
G = Grass	O = Oak	U = Upland Brush			

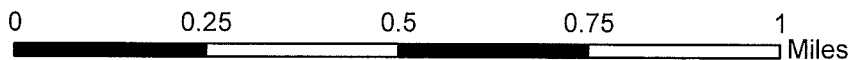
INTERSTATE 75 ASPEN

Cheboygan County
 25 Sale Acres



Legend	
	Sale Boundary (Red Paint)
	Private Boundary (Blue Paint)
	Survey Corner
	Unit Line (Yellow Paint)
	Payment Unit

Payment Unit	Acres
1	19
2	6



Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Interstate 75 Aspen Sale Number: 52-102-11-01

1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted boundaries (12/08)

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.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.2 - Clearcut unit(s) w/o unmerchantable trees (12/08)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2, cut all trees which meet minimum piece specifications in 2.2 Utilization EXCEPT PINE, SPRUCE, HEMLOCK, and CEDAR.

3 - Payments

3.6 - Payment Unit Cutting Schedule

3.6.1 - Order of cutting (1/09)

Payment Units shall be cut in numerical order unless approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

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 (1/09)

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, and 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 (4/07)

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 constructed of stumps and logs covered with earth. 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 (5/07)

The purchaser will secure any necessary highway crossing permits that may be required.

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.4 - Grading (12/08)

Roads must be graded after the sale is completed. In general, this will require a road grader or bull dozer to shape up the roads after forest products have been hauled off site. 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.

4.3 - Public Right-of-Way

4.3.1 - MDOT R-O-W (2/04)

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) must be contacted prior to harvesting timber within the MDOT right-of-way.

4.4 - Access

4.4.1 - Private property access (8/10)

Permission for access across private land has been obtained by the DNRE.

5 - Operations

5.1 - Notification

5.1.1 - Pre-sale conference (12/08)

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 10 days in advance to schedule the conference.

5.1.4 - Post-sale conference (9/09)

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 (2/04)

No trees are to be felled outside the sale area and all slash is to be kept at least 10 feet back from the blue and red paint line.

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 (2/04)

Obvious hollow and/or den trees shall be protected and left standing unless they are a safety hazard.

5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

5.2.3.1 - Operating restrictions (12/08)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2, unless changed by written agreement, cutting, skidding, and hauling must be completed by 05/15/2011. This restriction is because MDOT will be resurfacing the US 31 off ramp.

5.4 - Soil Protection

5.4.1 - Rutting restriction, general (1/09)

Operations are to cease immediately if equipment and weather conditions result in rutting of roads and skid trails which is 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.

5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

5.8.5 - Protection of raptor nests (4/09)

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 on-site evaluation and recommendation can be made, if necessary.

6 - Safety and Fire Prevention

6.2 - Signing

6.2.1 - Road posting (9/09)

The purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on Interstate 75 prior to beginning operations. The road must be posted to warn of logging activity and truck traffic. Signs must be removed when harvest operations are suspended or completed. Give 'Em A Break Safety, Inc. will provide and install these signs at a cost of \$4,189 for a two month rental with an addition \$484 for each month after. Contact sale administrator for contact information. The appraised price has been reduced to reflect this expense.

INTERSTATE 75 ASPEN (102-11-01)
T39N, R03W, SEC. 31, NW 1/4.
CHEBOYGAN COUNTY

In response to the notice of sale to be held 3:00 p.m. on December 21, 2010, I am hereby submitting my sealed bid (firm offer) for the following forest products to be cut. Bids for individual species and total bid value must be at or above the appraised price. All non-responsive bid forms may be rejected.

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>APPRAISED PRICE</u>	<u>BID PRICE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED VOLUME*</u>	<u>=</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
SAWLOGS					
B.T. ASPEN	\$ 34.00/MBF	\$ _____ X	36.00 MBF	=	\$ _____
PULPWOOD					
B.T. ASPEN	\$ 7.00/CORD	\$ _____ X	295.00 CORDS	=	\$ _____
			SUBTOTAL 1	\$	_____

In addition, the successful bidder agrees to purchase the following species at the appraised price:

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>APPRAISED PRICE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED VOLUME*</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
PULPWOOD			
RED MAPLE	\$ 3.50/CORD	83.00 CORDS	= \$ 290.50
P. BIRCH	\$ 3.50/CORD	41.00 CORDS	= \$ 143.50
BALSAM FIR	\$ 1.55/CORD	5.00 CORDS	= \$ 7.75
		SUBTOTAL 2	\$ <u>441.75</u>
SUBTOTAL 1 + SUBTOTAL 2 = TOTAL BID VALUE \$ _____			

*These volumes are statistically estimated within plus (+) or minus (-) 24.78%. These estimated volumes 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.

I understand that any or all bids may be rejected, and that the individual unit bid price will be the basis to determine total bid value. All bids must be signed and all bid items must be bid or the bid form may be rejected. I also understand that consideration and awarding a contract will be based upon my past performance and ability to complete the contract based upon equipment and manpower subject to my control.

(bidder's printed name)

(bidder's signature)

Address/Telephone _____

THE WINNING BIDDER MUST COMPLETE THE FORM ON THE REVERSE SIDE
WITHIN 21 DAYS OF SALE AWARD



TIMBER SALE VERIFICATION OF WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT COMPLIANCE

As required by Act 317, P.A. 1969 (Worker's Compensation) and
Part 525 of Act 451 of 1994, as amended.

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY	
Sale Number (XX - XXX - XX - XX)	
Forest Management Unit:	

VERIFICATION OF WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT COMPLIANCE

- This verification must be completed and submitted within 21 days of contract award and prior to the issuance of the timber sale contract.
- In addition, if boxes 2B or 2C are checked, then Notice of Exclusion or Certificate of Insurance must be submitted within 21 days of the contract award and prior to the issuance of the timber sale contract.
- All Information must be typed or printed except for written signatures.

Please Check Appropriate Categories:

1. My business is organized as (you **must** check one of the boxes below):

- A. Sole Proprietorship (individual)
- B. Partnership
- C. Corporation

2. You **must** check one of the boxes below:

- A. I certify that my business is a sole proprietorship and it has no employees but the sole proprietor. I am not subject to the Worker's Compensation Laws.
- B. I certify that my business has satisfied its obligation to the Worker's Compensation Act through the use of an approved Notice of Exclusion (BWC-337, Rev. 5/96). I will provide a copy of the Notice of Exclusion within 21 days of the contract award. (For questions or a copy of the BWC-337, please call the Worker's Compensation Bureau at 517-322-1195).
- C. I certify that my business has a Worker's Compensation Policy. I will provide an original Certificate of Insurance within 21 days of the contract award.

3. If you have checked item 2(A) or 2(B), you **must** indicate the number of **both** full-time and part-time employees, other than yourself, including family members and active partners (if none, you must enter "0").

_____ Full-time Employees

_____ Part-time Employees

Name of Business		Federal ID (or) Social Security No.
Address		Telephone ()
City	State	ZIP

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct. I agree to notify the Michigan DNRE of any changes that occur in factors affecting my coverage during any of my present and future operations.

Signature of Owner or Authorized Representative

Title

Date