

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN

#### **TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7184**

# **REVISION NOTICE #1 - August 28, 2023**

SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME: 2:00 p.m. (local time) on Monday, September 11, 2023 LOCATION: GWINN MGMT UNIT, 410 WEST M 35, GWINN, MI 49841

This prospectus has been modified with the following changes.

Happy Spaniel GEMS 32-027-22 (1) Proposal ID: 22514

## 2.1.1 - Clearcut unit(s) with unmerchantable trees

**Original:** Within Payment Unit(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH except red pine, white pine, oak, cedar and hemlock.

**Updated:** Within Payment Unit(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH except red pine, white pine, oak, cedar and hemlock.

#### 5.2.3.1 - Operating restrictions

**Original:** Within Payment Unit(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, unless changed by written agreement, cutting, skidding, and hauling are not permitted during the period of 9/15 to 11/15. This restriction is Due to hunting season restriction in the Rollo GEMS

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The sale conditions for the Happy Spaniel GEMS timber sale (32-027-22) have been updated. Please use the attached sale conditions when bidding on this sale and disregard the original sale conditions sent with the prospectus.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. If you need assistance, please contact Kristen Matson at 906-346-9201 ext. 103.

### **Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements**

Sale Name: Happy Spaniel GEMS Sale Number: 32-027-22 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 red and yellow paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Interior Payment Unit boundaries are marked with yellow paint. The painted boundary line trees are not Included Timber.

### 2 - Timber Specifications

#### 2.1 - Included Timber

### 2.1.1 - Clearcut unit(s) with unmerchantable trees (6/14)

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# 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 (12/09)

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 the specified Purchase Unit Price.

## 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 (10/11)

All new roads built into the sale must be blocked to vehicle traffic upon completion of the sale. All new roads built into the sale must be blocked to vehicle traffic within 30 days of completion of hauling. 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. 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.

## 4.2 - Maintenance

## 4.2.1 - Hauling restriction (12/08)

Hauling may be restricted on forest roads by the Unit Manager or his/her representative. The restriction may occur during wet weather conditions.

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## 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 is required: Within 60 days of completion of hauling, or if no hauling occurs for 60 days, the state roads and hunter hiking trails used for the sale 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.

## 4.2.4 - Grading (10/16)

For completion of the sale, state forest roads must be graded. In general, this will require a road grader or bull dozer 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.

#### 4.4 - 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 (10/16)

A pre-sale conference 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 business days in advance to schedule the conference.

#### 5.2 - Conduct of Operations

#### 5.2.1 - Slash

## 5.2.1.2 - Slash Removal

# 5.2.1.2.1 - Slash removal, right-of-way (9/16)

All slash must be removed at least 20 feet from the cleared right-of-way of forest roads and hunter hiking trails.

## 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 on the Timber Sale Map. Any damage to the opening shall be repaired according to specifications of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

# 5.2.1.11 - Slash for reforestation (3/21)

To facilitate reforestation, the Sale Area shall be left with slash evenly distributed. Bunched tops within the cutting area shall be broken up and scattered. Stumps shall be cut low to the ground. Processing sites shall not be left with a compacted layer of slash; tops from these sites shall be hauled back into the cut area and scattered.

#### 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

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### 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

### 5.2.4.4 - Dead and down creation, grouse (6/18)

To encourage grouse and other wildlife, in Payment Unit(s) 1, leave one, 12" diameter or larger log-length (8 foot minimum) piece on the ground for every 2 acres. These trees will be evenly scattered throughout the 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. Each log must be clearly identified by a piece of blue flagging.

# 5.2.22 - Operating Caution

## 5.2.22.1 - Operating caution (6/11)

It is recommended, but not required, that within Payment Unit(s) 5, and 6, cutting, skidding, and hauling occur during dry summer or frozen winter conditions. The reason for the recommendation wet soil conditions.

## 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.

### 5.2.37 - No decking areas (12/08)

No decking is allowed within 50 feet of County Road 438 without permission of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

## 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)

Rollo Ridge and the RGS loop are hunter hiking trails. Maintain a 20-foot wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily, using the pathway as the centerline. Skidding across the trail may only occur in locations approved by the sale administrator.

# 5.2.43 - Opening protection (2/21)

No activities are permitted in openings marked on the Timber Sale Map with the letter "G". Any damage to the openings shall be repaired according to specifications of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

#### 5.4 - Soil Protection

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# 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 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.

# 5.4.2 - 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.

#### 5.6 - Debris and Waste Material

### 5.6.3 - Equipment cleaning (12/17)

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 on-site 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 County Road 438 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.

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