

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN

# **TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7514**

# **REVISION NOTICE #1 - February 19, 2025**

# <u>SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME:</u> 4:00 p.m. (local time) on Thursday, February 27, 2025 <u>LOCATION:</u> TRAVERSE CITY MGMT UNIT, 2122 M 37 South, Traverse City, MI 49685

This prospectus has been modified with the following changes.

The sale conditions for the Yogi Gap timber sale (61-101-24) have been updated. Please use the attached sale conditions when bidding on this sale and disregard the original sale conditions sent with the prospectus.

The sale conditions for the Hodge Podge timber sale (61-142-24) 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 Matthew Edison at 906-291-0095.

# Sale Name: Yogi Gap

Sale Number: 61-101-24 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 blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against private property are marked with blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red 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 unless marked with orange paint.

# 2 - Timber Specifications

# 2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.7 - Leave Tree Marked Unit(s) (6/14)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1 and 2, all trees, which meet minimum piece specifications in 2.2 Utilization, are designated for cutting, except do not cut any trees marked with green paint above and below stump height. In addition, within Payment Unit 1, do not cut red pine or white pine that are six (6) inches or less at DBH. Further, within Payment Unit 2, do not cut any red pine or white pine that are eight (8) inches or less at DBH.

Special protection trees identified in accordance with condition 3.4.2, within clearcutting unit boundaries, are not Included Timber and are to be protected.

### 2.2 - Utilization

2.2.3 - Stump heights (4/07)

Stump heights within the Sale Area shall not exceed 12 inches for trees greater than 10 inches DBH and 4 inches for trees smaller than 10 inches DBH. A written waiver of this requirement may be obtained if wet summer weather makes winter logging necessary.

# 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 (7/16)

General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged Timber, defines liquidated damages for undesignated live merchantable trees which are cut or injured. In addition, extreme care should be taken to avoid damage to tree seedlings and saplings. 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.

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# 3.4.2 - Special Protection Trees (4/14)

The Purchaser shall not cut live or dead special protection trees within cutting units or clearings. Special protection trees are marked with green paint. If the Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection trees through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$300 as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for each special protection tree 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, 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 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. Stumps and brush must be placed along the remainder of the trail. 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.

#### 5 - Operations

### 5.1 - Notification

### 5.1.1 - Pre-sale Conference (10/16)

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

#### 5.2.1 - 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**

5.2.3.4 - Oak Wilt Restriction, No Exceptions (1/18)

Within the Sale Area, cutting, skidding, hauling, and brushing of access roads 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.

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### 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.

# 5.2.39 - ORV Trail/Route Protection (4/18)

The Kalkaska Trail is an ORV trail or route and is shown on the Timber Sale Map. Do not cut trees or damage posts with yellow ORV markers. All stumps within 5 feet of the trail must be cut flush with the ground. Maintain a 20-foot-wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily using the ORV trail or route as the centerline. Do not run equipment down the ORV trail or route. Skidding across the trail or route may only occur in locations approved by the Sale Administrator.

### 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 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.

# 5.4.3 - Erosion Control (12/08)

Skid trails or haul roads may require erosion control structures or berms per direction of the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

### 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 M-72 and North Forest Trail 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 Kalkaska Trail 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.

# Sale Name: Hodge Podge

Sale Number: 61-142-24 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, 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. The painted boundary line trees are not Included Timber and are to be protected unless marked with orange paint. 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

# 2.1.3 - Cut Tree Marked Unit(s) (12/08)

Within Payment Unit(s) 2, 3, and 5, all trees are designated for cutting when marked with orange paint above and below stump height, regardless of merchantability. In addition, within Payment Unit 3, all aspen and jack pine are designated for cutting, regardless of merchantability, except do not cut those that are marked with orange paint.

# 2.1.4 - Designated Timber Unit(s) (6/17)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1, 4, and 6, all trees are designated for cutting which meet minimum piece specifications in 2.2 Utilization. In Payment Unit 6, do not cut red and white pine that are less than 14 inches 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 (7/16)

General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged Timber, defines liquidated damages for undesignated live merchantable trees which are cut or injured. In addition, extreme care should be taken to avoid damage to tree seedlings and saplings. Within the Sale Area, if more than 15% 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 \$300 per acre for all acreage within that specified portion of the Sale Area that was damaged.

### 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.

### 4.1.12 - No New Roads (1/12)

No new roads will be permitted in any Payment Unit. All operations are limited to existing roads. Skid trails only will be allowed.

### 4.2 - Maintenance

# 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

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

The County must be contacted prior to crossing or harvesting in the County Road R-O-W. This applies to Payment Units 3 and 4, as well as Blue Lake Road SE.

### 4.4 - Access

4.4.3 - Access gate (12/08)

The access gate to Payment Unit 1 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

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# 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

5.2.3.4 - Oak Wilt Restriction, No Exceptions (1/18)

Within Payment Unit(s) 2-6, cutting, skidding, and 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.

### 5.2.4 - 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, 4, and 6, leave one 12" or larger diameter (or largest diameter trees within stand) whole tree on the ground for every 2 acres, preferably a hardwood species such as oak or maple or if no hardwoods are present, a pine species (white or red). These will be evenly scattered throughout the unit. This can be an unmerchantable piece or a full tree. Each log must be clearly identified by a piece of blue flagging.

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# 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 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

### 5.8.3 - Red Shoulder Hawk or Goshawk (1) (2/16)

In the event that an active red shoulder hawk or goshawk nest is found, the contract may be amended to protect the nest site until the nest is determined to be inactive. The value of the trees in this excluded area will be refunded or credited to the Purchaser. The nest will be buffered with a five-chain radius (eight acre) protection area, centered on the nest tree, in which there will be no cutting or new roads constructed. Avoid human disturbance, including loading and skidding, in the protection area.

An additional zone of five chains (ten chains centered on the active nest tree) will be established in which there is no management activity from March 15 to July 15. Limit biomass harvesting and chipping operations within this ten-chain zone, retain the maximum one-third of residues per the Woody Biomass Harvesting Guidelines (Michigan DNR 2010). Nests determined to be inactive will be protected with a one-chain no-harvest buffer.