

COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS

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The following documents the changes and decisions made at the compartment review to the Inventory database, reports, and compartment maps presented at open house for the Grayling Forest Management Unit compartment review. This document is the official record of changes and decisions. Proposals originally presented were approved unless noted below.

Attendees

Daniel Heckman, FRD; Paige Perry, PRD; Jason Stephens, FRD; Susan Thiel, FRD; Brain Mastenbrook, WLD; Gregory Kinser, PRD; Tom Barnes, FRD; Patrick Mohny, FRD; Mike Janisse, FRD; Randy McKenzie, FRD; Doug Heym, FRD; Tim Greco, FRD; Steve Milford, FRD; Joan Charlebois, FRD; Craig Farrer, FRD.

No public in attendance.

Comments from Stakeholders

The following comments were received in writing during the Open House:

Leonard Bingert – Requested any information when activities take place on state forest lands around Lake Margrethe.

Chris Jones - Suggested that verbiage be added to the prescribed treatments in the Mason Tract to protect and enhance the beauty of the pathways.

Compartment 3 (Stand examiner – Joan Charlebois)

No changes made at compartment review.

Compartment 16 (Stand examiner –Patrick Mohny)

No changes made at compartment review.

Compartment 20 (Stand examiner – Tom Barnes)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 40 and 78 – Add comment to require chipping of tops, work with TMS (Timber Management Specialist) to incorporate rabbit habitat specifications into sale, change management objective to planted red pine.
- Stand 55 – Change management objective to planted red pine.
- Edit base map feature type in Section 34 to show power line.

Compartment 174 (Stand examiner – Patrick Mohney)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 23 – Note the trail in the comments and treat only the north side of the trail for recreation purposes.

Compartment 180 (Stand examiner – Patrick Mohney)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Remove horse trail comments from compartment narrative.
- Stand 28 – Change management objective to aspen-oak (send note to Inventory Planning Specialist).
- Stand 3 – Adjust treatment boundary to reflect the protection fiber optic corridor along M-72.
- Edit base map features to reflect Arrowhead Road surface type.

Compartment 222 (Stand examiner – Tom Barnes)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 17 – Add radio tower as base map feature.
- Stand 5 – Add comment to protect snowmobile trails.
- Stand 4 – Add comment to refer to locked Opportunistic Field Survey (OFS) when setting up timber sale.
- Add locked OFS comment referring to archeological site.

Compartment 226 (Stand examiner – Craig Farrer)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 1 & 2 – Remove the word ‘negotiated’ from the comments; harvest as firewood sale.
- Stand 4 – Add comment to chip tops.
- All Oak regeneration harvests: Add comment to reflect that a moderate to poor stocking level of regeneration is acceptable.
- Stand 23 & 31 – Add a comment regarding ORV trail protection.

Compartment 245 (Stand examiner – Patrick Mohney)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Update roads and base feature type for Calker Road (not paved) for final map.
- Add well site near Stand 23.

Compartment 250 (Stand examiner – Tom Barnes)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 16 – Add comment that moderate stocking is acceptable.
- Stand 17 – Change management objective to current cover-type.
- Stands 54 and 55 – Add comment to prescription burn. That management objective is to set back shallow rooted species (Aspen and Red Maple) and encourage oak regeneration. Burn every other year.

Compartment 257 (Stand examiner – Craig Farrer)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Treat adjacent fuel breaks to the north with fuel break in this compartment (Compartment 256, Stand 9).
- Stand 41 – Add comment to accept poor stocking of regeneration.
- Add locked Opportunistic Field Survey (OFS) regarding historic sites.

Compartment 268 (Stand examiner – Joan Charlebois)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stands 9, 18, 23, 49, 44, 48 – Remove red pine planting option and accept lower stocking of regeneration.

Compartment 278 (Stand examiner – Tom Barnes)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 13 – Add treatment that currently exists in the Dyer Red Pine Plan from last entry period. Add to the next steps that herbicide application may be used to replicate natural fire disturbances, pending the approval and modification of the Ecological Reference Area (ERA) plan. Add to Special Conservation Area (SCA) for type 1 or 2 old-growth.
- Stand 5 – Remove shortwood operation required comment, still leaving tops.

Compartment 287 (Stand examiner – Craig Farrer)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 33 – Add snowshoe hare specification. Change to “recommend low ground pressure equipment and winter harvest”.

- Stand 10 – Require snow-off harvest to promote scarification, disregard oak wilt specification in this stand, and add next treatment for post-harvest scarification if the harvest did not accomplish adequate scarification.
- Stand 9, 10, and 33 – Add trail specifications to treatment.
- Stand 3 – Add comment that low to moderate stocking is acceptable. Change to no retention due to small stand size.
- Stand 32 – Change cover type to lowland brush.
- Stand 50 – Needs site condition for steep slopes.

Compartment 290 (Stand examiner – Joan Charlebois)

No changes made at compartment review.

Compartment 293 (Stand examiner – Patrick Potter and Thomas Barnes)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Proposed start dates for all treatments will be staggered over entire entry period (10 years).
- Areas south of the river will be harvested during one entry year, request permit to access through USFS land.
- SCA coding in report should be verified (Stand263).

Compartment 296 (Stand examiner – Craig Farrer)

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 1 – Will accept a fully stocked aspen with mixed deciduous.
- Stand 2 – Add comment to accept a moderate to well stocking of oak, aspen, and red maple.
- All regeneration harvests of oak: Add comment to accept a moderate to well-stocked regeneration.
- Stand 18 – Add herbicide and second harvest to the next steps treatment field. Contact current Timber Management Specialist regarding initial harvest setup.
- Stand 20 – Add Area of Interest coded for a unique site, determine if it's a type 1 or 2 old growth, describe conservation objective in the comments.
- Stand 38, 49, 51 – Add trail protection comments. Focus retention along trail.
- Update road and base features to reflect Gobbler Road as a seasonal county road.
- Stand 34 – Change comment to say choose large crowned / mast producing trees as leave trees.”
- Check oak wilt status in this compartment.
- Stand 18, 20, east part of 24, and 27 – Add post-harvest burn to encourage oak establishment and to knock back aspen and red maple, in Stand 20: It will be an understory burn.