



COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS
Baraga Forest Management Unit
2015 Year-of-Entry
Baraga OSC
Baraga, Michigan
July 17, 2013

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 Baraga Forest Management Unit compartment review. This document is the official record of changes and decisions. Proposals originally presented were approved unless noted below.

Attendees:

Don Mankee, FRD; Brad Carlson, FRD; Brad Johnson, WLD; Fred Hansen, FRD; John Turunen, FRD; John M. Hamel, FRD; Jason Mittlestat, FRD; Valerie Miller, FOS; Tom Seablom, FRD; Terry Minzey, WLD; Brian Roell, WLD; Brian Mensch, FRD.

Comments from Stakeholders

The Open House was held at the Baraga OSC, Baraga, Michigan on June 26, 2013. 6 visitors came to view maps and data and discuss prescriptions with staff. The following written comments were received;

- Comments regarding aspen management received from Larry Heathman., with LP Sagola.

Compartment 2

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- Reviewed comments from Larry Heathman regarding aspen management.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No Changes.

Compartment 6

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- Reviewed comments from Larry Heathman regarding aspen management.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 47, review age of aspen.
- Stand 17, add opening maintenance and creation, planting of native shrubs and trees, Partnering with National Wild Turkey Federations and Ottawa National Forest.

Compartment 16

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- Reviewed comments from Larry Heathman regarding aspen management.

Changes made at compartment review:

- No Changes.

Compartment 23

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- None

Changes made at compartment review:

- No Changes

Compartment 38

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- None

Changes made at compartment review:

- No Changes

Compartment 49

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- None

Changes made at compartment review:

- No Changes

Compartment 56

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- None

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 16, add harvest treatment using a shelterwood method, create openings/gaps up to ½ acre in size (83 ft. radius) around areas of existing advanced (3+ feet tall) red oak regeneration and in other areas of the stand to have approximately 1 opening/ac. This amounts to regenerating 50% of the stand. Between the gaps, reduce the basal area to approximately 50 ft./ac utilizing trees >20" dbh. Which amounts to approximately 25 trees per acre or 1-20" tree every 40 ft. This area should be harvested using a non-short wood operation and be restricted to the fall to maximize scarification. Anchor chaining or disking may be done in this stand if adequate scarification isn't attained through logging.
- Stand 9-northeast, add Shelterwood harvest treatment. Reduce basal area to approx. 40 ft./ac. Concentrate leave trees on those >20" dbh, which amounts to approx. 20 trees per acre or 1-20" tree every 50 ft. If smaller diameter (16-inch) trees are needed, then leave closer to 10 trees per acre or 1 tree/chain. In areas of existing, advanced (3+ ft. tall) red oak regeneration, create an expanding gap around it. This area should be harvested using a non-short wood operation and be restricted to the fall to maximize scarification. Anchor chaining or disking may be done in this stand if adequate scarification isn't attained through logging.
- Stand 9-southwest, add clearcut with reserves harvest treatment. Reduce basal area to approximately 10 ft./ac. Concentrate leave trees on those >20" dbh, which amounts to approx. 5 trees per acre or 1-20" tree every 100 ft. If smaller diameter (16-inch) trees are needed, then leave closer to 10 Trees per acre or 1 tree/chain.
- Stand 15:
 - Clearcut harvest the area outlined in purple on the attached map, retaining all pine, hemlock and yellow birch. Favor large mast producers in the area.
 - Clearcut Harvest the area outlined in the area outlined in green on the attached map, including portions of stand 22, retain mast producing oak where possible. Leave all birch and conifer in both stands.
- Stands 15 and 22 – Start date will be Oct. 1, 2013.

Compartment 64

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- None

Changes made at compartment review:

- No Changes



Compartment 74


Discussion of comments from individual outside parties:

- None

Changes made at compartment review:

- No Changes

As the Compartment Review Meeting Facilitator, I certify that the above changes were agreed upon.


John M. Hamel, Inventory and Planning Specialist

July 17, 2013

Attachment A



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