Baraga Forest Management Unit<br>Compartment 2<br>Entry Year 2015<br>Acreage: 2,661<br>County Baraga<br>Management Area: Huron Mountains

Revision Date: 07/17/2013
Stand Examiner: Jason Mittlestat
Legal Description:
Baraga County, Arvon Township
T51N R30W Sections 4, 5, 6, 8
T51N R31W Section 1
T52N R30W Section 31, 32

## Identified Planning Goals:

Huron Mountains (4.17)
Manage for deer wintering complex, and commercial stands of timber.

## Soil and topography:

Soils are: Munising loamy sand, Yalmer loamy sand, Assinins sand, Carbondale muck, Tacoosh muck, Gay mucky fine sandy loam, and Skanee loamy sand. Topography is level.

## Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment:

This compartment is surrounded by private land. Much of the private land is owned by forest industry and is managed for timber.

## Unique, Natural Features:

No unique features are identified.

## Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

None listed.

## Special Management Designations or Considerations:

This compartment is in a deer yard area.

## Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

Fossoms Creek and Black Creek are trout streams.

## Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

Compartment 2 is found within the Huron Mountains Management Area; on a Bedrock-Controlled Ground Moraines and tillfloored lake plains in northern Baraga and Marquette Counties. Most of the natural communities in this area are mesic northern forests and poor conifer swamps. Major forest cover types include Northern Hardwood, Aspen and Hemlock. The area receives significant snowfall and represents almost $20 \%$ of the WUP State Forest hemlock resource. This area provides critical wintering habitat for white tailed deer, especially along the Lake Superior shoreline. Additionally, some of the largest tracts of mature forest in the Great Lakes (e.g. McCormick Tract, Craig's Lake Wilderness State Park, and the Huron Mountain Club) occur within or adjacent to this management area. The current condition and spatial arrangement of these areas provide some of the best opportunities within the WUP, state, and Great Lakes for area sensitive wildlife that require large tracts of mature forest, mesic conifer or corridors between such areas. The wildlife priority here is to manage for old growth forest characteristics, in a fairly un-fragmented condition, with particular emphasis on protecting the hemlock component. This strategy will protect thermal cover, provide for wildlife movement corridors, and provide habitat for a variety of species. This includes minimizing habitat fragmentation; insuring adequate course woody debris; retain or develop large living and dead standing trees (for cavities); mesic conifer; mature forest; within-stand diversity; closed canopy forest; and deer wintering complexes.

The following have been identified as featured species for the Huron Mountains Management Area: American Marten, Blackburnian Warbler, and White-Tailed Deer.

## Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

Surface sediments consist of coarse-textured glacial till and minor glacial outwash sand and gravel and postglacial alluvium
and lacustrine (lake) sand and gravel to the east. The glacial drift thickness varies from insufficient data to determine the glacial drift thickness up to a thickness of 50 feet. The Precambrian Jacobsville Sandstone and the Michigamme Formation underlie the compartment. The Jacobsville was previously used as a building stone. There are mostly sand pits in the area, but there may be some potential. No mines are located in this area, but Sections 4-6 \& 8-T51N-R30W are leased for metallic exploration. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP.

## Vehicle Access:

Access within the compartment is poor. Roland Lake Road and Greenhouse Road provide county road access to the compartment.

## Survey Needs:

Survey corners are needed to identify boundaries between state and private lands.

## Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:

There is a boating access site on Roland Lake. There are no other recreational facilities in this compartment.

## Fire Protection:

This is an area of low fire incidence. Most fires have resulted from lightning strikes.

## Additional Compartment Information:

There is an old sand pit on Roland Lake road. There is an old dump site located in the compartment.

The following reports from the Inventory are attached:<br>Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class<br>Cover Type by Harvest Method<br>Proposed Treatments - No Limiting Factors<br>Proposed Treatments - With Limiting Factors<br>Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested)<br>Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas<br>Site Condition Details

The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:
Base feature information, stand boundaries, cover types, and numbers
Proposed treatments
Site condition boundaries
Details on the road access system

Age Class


## Acres by Treatment Type

| Commercial Harvest - 535 | Tree Planting - 0 | Other - 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Habitat Cut - 0 | Opening Maintenance - 0 |  |

Cover Type by Harvest Method




Prescription Cut all trees except hemlock, black cherry, yellow birch, cedar and white pine. Winter harvest only with no chipping permitted.
Specs:
Other
Retention for this stand will be greater than $3 \%$ and will consist of reserve tree species. Reserve a few black ash pockets for seed production. Comments:

Next Check for adequate regeneration within 5 years of harvest completion.
Steps:
Proposed
Start Date: 10/01/2014


| a <br> $\mathbf{n}$ <br> $\mathbf{d}$ | Treatment <br> Name | Acres | CoverType | Size <br> Density | Stand <br> Age | BA <br> Range | Treatment <br> Type | Treatment <br> Method | Cover Type <br> Objective |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1 1}$ | 11002011-Cut | 93.6 | 4115-Y.Birch, <br> Hemlock NH | High <br> Density <br> Approval <br> Status |  |  |  |  |  |



Proposed
Start Date: $\quad 10 / 01 / 2014$

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11002031-Cut \& 10.4 \& \begin{tabular}{c}
4112 - Maple, <br>
Beech, Cherry <br>
Association

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High <br>
Density <br>
Pole
\end{tabular} \& 66 \& $111-140$

 Harvest $\quad$

Single Tree <br>
Selection

 

4112-Maple,

 

Cmpt. Review <br>
Beech, Cherry <br>
Association
\end{tabular}

Prescription Selectively thin hardwoods to $70-90$ sqft of BA. Favor oak, hemlock, white pine, large diameter ash and cedar where present. Oak should be Specs: released on 3 sides to an average BA of 60 sqft. Where 30 sqft or more of hemlock occurs thin to no less than 100 sqft of BA. Follow all guidelines set forth in "The Complete Marker". Winter harvest only with no chipping permitted.

Other Retention for this stand will be greater than $3 \%$ and will consist of tree species of the dominant cover type. Keep an look out for northern Comments: gooseberry.

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Next
Steps:
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Proposed
Start Date: 10/01/2014

Total Treatment Acreage Proposed: 534.6

\#Type!

Prescription
Specs:
Other
Comment:
Next
Steps:
Proposed
Start Date: \#Type!
Limiting Factor

Total Treatment Acreage Proposed: 0

Treatment Acres CoverType Name

Size Stand BA
Density Age Range

Treatment Type

Treatment Method

Prescription
Specs:
Other
Comments:

## Next

Steps:
Proposed
Start Date: \#Type!
Total Treatment Acreage Proposed:

Report 7 - Site Conditions

| Availability for Management |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | Acres | Acres |  | Dominant Site Conditions |  |  |  |  |  |
| Acres | Available | Not Available |  | No | 5C | 3J | 3 H | 2G | 1C |
| 354 | 354 |  | Aspen | 321 | 33 |  |  |  |  |
| 97 |  | 97 | Cedar |  |  | 63 |  | 34 |  |
| 153 | 79 | 74 | Hemlock | 79 |  |  | 24 |  | 50 |
| 781 |  | 781 | Lowland Conifers |  |  | 358 | 329 | 94 |  |
| 27 |  | 27 | Lowland Deciduous |  |  |  |  | 27 |  |
| 73 | 73 |  | Mixed Upland Deciduous | 73 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 808 | 808 |  | Northern Hardwood | 655 | 154 |  |  |  |  |
| 186 | 186 |  | Upland Conifers | 186 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | 173 |  | Upland Mixed Forest | 173 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2,652 | 1,674 | 978 | Total Forested Acres | 1,487 | 187 | 421 | 353 | 155 | 50 |
|  | 63\% | 37\% | Relative Percent |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Due to limitations in the current Site Conditions Analysis tool, all nonforested acres are considered available. Future development will enable analysis of nonforested types.

| Site <br> No. Cond Availability | Dominant Site Condition | Acres | Other Site Condition | Other Site Condition | Other Site Condition | Other Site Condition |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 003 | Not Available | 3J: Water quality / BMPs <br> (stream, river, or lake) | 12 | 2G: Too wet (sensitive <br> soils, does not include <br> access issues) |  |  |

## Comments:

004 Not Available $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { 3J: Water quality / BMPs } \\ \text { (stream, river, or lake) }\end{array} \quad 347 \quad \begin{array}{c}\text { 2G: Too wet (sensitive } \\ \text { soils, does not include } \\ \text { access issues) }\end{array}\right]$

## Comments:

005 Not Available \begin{tabular}{c}
3J: Water quality / BMPs <br>
(stream, river, or lake)

$\quad 63 \quad$

2G: Too wet (sensitive <br>
soils, does not include <br>
access issues)
\end{tabular}

## Comments:

| 006 | Not Available | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) | 12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Comments: |  |  |  |
| 007 | Not Available | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) | 14 |
| Comments: |  |  |  |
| 008 | Not Available | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) | 15 |
| Comments: |  |  |  |
| 009 | Not Available | 3H: Deer Wintering Areas | 67 |
| Comments: <br> WLD does not allow harvesting of this cover type in a deer yard. |  |  |  |
| 010 | Not Available | 3H: Deer Wintering Areas | 24 |
| Comments: <br> WLD does not allow harvesting of this cover type in a deer yard. |  |  |  |
| 011 | Available | 5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality | 33 |
| Comments: <br> to be treated in 2025. |  |  |  |


| 012 | Available | 5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality | 71 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Comments: to be cut in 2025 |  |  |  |  |
| 013 | Not Available | 3H: Deer Wintering Areas |  | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) |
| Comments: <br> WLD does not allow harvesting of this cover type in a deer yard. |  |  |  |  |
| 014 | Not Available | 3H: Deer Wintering Areas | $99$ | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) |
| Comments: <br> WLD does not allow harvesting of this cover type in a deer yard. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Not Available | 3H: Deer Wintering Areas | $47$ | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) |
| Comments: <br> WLD does not allow harvesting of this cover type in a deer yard. |  |  |  |  |
| 016 | Not Available | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) |  | 5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality |
| Comments: |  |  |  |  |


| 017 | Not Available | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) | 20 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Comments: |  |  |  |  |
|  | Not Available | 3H: Deer Wintering Areas |  | 2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues) |
| Comments: <br> WLD does not allow harvesting of this cover type in a deer yard. |  |  |  |  |
| 019 | Available | 5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality | 83 |  |
| Comments: <br> Treat in 2025 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Not Available | 3E: Easement / lease, nonmilitary (e.g.- Consumers Power red pine, etc) | 3 |  |
| Comments: County Road. |  |  |  |  |
| 025 | Not Available | 1C: Other dept or div proc/practices | 50 |  |
| Comments: <br> hold treatment for wildlife until 2023. |  |  |  |  |

## Report 8 - PROPOSED SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA* (SCA) DETAILS

* This is a partial list of SCAs for this compartment. Not included are those areas identified under other Department initiatives (Natural Rivers, Deer Wintering Areas, etc.). Those will be identified in separate, future map and report products.

| SCA Name | SCA Category | Detail Type | Recommendation |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Acres |  |  |  |
| Fossum Creek | Habitat Areas or Corridors | Habitat Corridor | SCA |
| Comments |  |  |  |

## Report 9 - DEDICATED CONSERVATION AREA DETAILS

* This is a list of Dedicated Biodiversity Areas for this compartment along with a $1 / 4$ mile buffer surrounding the compartment. Refer to Dedicated Conservation Area Map for areas that the below listed Conservation Areas are located.

| Conservation <br> Area | Type | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| SCA | Cold Water <br> Stream | A coldwater stream has temperature and dissolved oxygen conditions that allow naturally-reproduced or <br> stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fish species (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from <br> year to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically provide these conditions due to substantial <br> contributions of groundwater to their stream flows. Such streams are established by Director's action and <br> designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 210. |
| SCA | Habitat Area | An area that provide some specific need for the life cycle of wildlife species, including State Wildlife Areas <br> and Waterfowl Production Areas, deer wintering complexes in lowland conifer communities, grassland <br> openings and savannas. Habitat areas are distinct from critical habitat designated for recovery of <br> endangered or threatened species (such as Kirtland's warbler or piping plover areas) in that they are more <br> general in nature, are not primarily associated with threatened or endangered species, and are not <br> covered by species recovery plans that are developed in cooperation with Federal agencies. |
| SCA | Riparian Area | A transitional area between aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems in which the terrestrial ecosystem <br> influences the aquatic ecosystem and vice-versa. Because of the unique conditions adjacent to lakes, <br> streams and open water wetlands, riparian areas harbor a high diversity of plants and wildlife. Riparian <br> communities are ecologically and socially significant in their effects on water quality and quantity, as well <br> as aesthetics, habitat, bank stability, timber production, and their contribution to overall biodiversity. |


| S | Baraga | Mgt. Unit |  | Report 10 - Forested Stands |  |  | Compartment: 002 <br> Year of Entry: 2015 <br> General <br> Comments: |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| n | Level 4 Cover Type | Size Density | Acres | Stand Age | BA Range |  |  |  |
| 1 | 4319 - Mixed Upland Forest | High Density Pole | 94.0 | Uneven Age | 111-140 | Reser | mlock, and cedar. Goal mock regeneration. | romote |
| 2 | 4312 - Hemlock, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Log | 49.7 | Uneven Age | 141-170 | Reserv | mlock, and cedar. Goa mock regeneration. | promote |
| 3 | 4312 - Hemlock, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Log | 79.1 | Uneven Age | 141-170 |  | eavy deer brouse |  |
| 6 | 6124 - Lowland SpruceFir | Low Density Pole | 11.5 | 83 |  |  | RMZ |  |
| 7 | 6117 - Lowland Deciduous, Mixed Coniferous | High Density Pole | 15.2 | 73 |  |  | wet |  |
| 8 | 4319 - Mixed Upland Forest | High Density Pole | 1.6 | 68 | 81-110 |  |  |  |
| 10 | 429 - Mixed Upland Conifers | High Density Pole | 30.6 | 106 | 111-140 | Reserve | mlock, and cedar. Goa lock regeneration. | promote |
| 11 | 4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH | High Density Pole | 93.6 | Uneven Age | 111-140 | Green | ut in 1994. and Deer yard 00 (se 28acres). | d cut in |
| 12 | 6129 - Mixed Coniferous Lowland Forest | $\begin{gathered} \text { High Density } \\ \text { Log } \end{gathered}$ | 67.3 | 140 |  | Hemlock | holes in-between. Look 70's, maybe for deer food | dar was |
| 13 | 42350 - Upland Hemlock | High Density Log | 24.4 | 136 | 141-170 |  | with ash holes in-betwe |  |
| 14 | 6120 - Lowland Cedar | Medium Density Pole | 62.8 | 133 |  |  | eek runs through it, wet. |  |
| 15 | 4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH | High Density Pole | 69.6 | Uneven Age | 81-110 |  | Hdwd, cut in 2007. |  |
| 16 | 6120 - Lowland Cedar | High Density Pole | 13.8 | 136 |  |  | wet |  |
| 17 | 6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Pole | 98.9 | 136 | 171-200 |  |  |  |
| 18 | 6113 - Lowland Maple | High Density Pole | 11.9 | 49 | 81-110 |  | wet ground |  |
| 19 | 4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods | High Density Pole | 227.9 | 88 | 111-140 | May ne removed | mall patches of heavy re 80's). Areas where the cut to maintain future a | (aspen is larger |
| 20 | 6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous | Low Density Pole | 346.6 | 136 |  | Poor Fa | ifer, Fossum Creek And RMZ | ck Creek |


| S | Baraga | Mgt. Unit | Report 10 - Forested Stands |  |  |  | Compartment: 002 <br> Year of Entry: 2015 <br> General Comments: |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| n d | Level 4 Cover Type | Size Density | Acres | Stand Age | BA Range |  |  |  |
| 21 | 4130 - Aspen | High Density Pole | 33.1 | 62 |  |  | with adj. stand in 2025 |  |
| 22 | 4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association | High Density Pole | 70.6 | 77 | 111-140 | Cut in 2 | thing else that is ready be | he river. |
| 23 | 4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer | High Density Pole | 72.9 | 40 | 51-80 |  |  |  |
| 24 | 6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Pole | 112.0 | 140 | 171-200 |  | wet drainages. |  |
| 26 | 4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH | High Density Pole | 50.3 | Uneven Age | 81-110 |  | Bear Hdwd cutin 2007. |  |
| 27 | 4319 - Mixed Upland Forest | High Density Sapling | 55.9 | 14 |  |  | ek block clear cut in 1999. |  |
| 28 | 42380 - Non Pine Upland Conifer, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Pole | 67.7 | 102 | 141-170 | Upland a | k with wet drainages scat | between. |
| 29 | 4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Pole | 105.9 | 46 |  |  |  |  |
| 30 | 4319 - Mixed Upland Forest | High Density Sapling | 21.5 | 14 |  |  | ek Block clear cut in 1999. |  |
| 31 | 4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association | High Density Pole | 10.4 | Uneven Age | 111-140 |  |  |  |
| 32 | 6129 - Mixed Coniferous Lowland Forest | High Density Pole | 46.5 | 140 | 141-170 |  |  |  |
| 33 | 4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods | High Density Pole | 116.9 | 55 | 81-110 |  | s. Cut in 2025 with adj. hdw |  |
| 34 | 4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH | High Density Pole | 86.0 | Uneven Age | 81-110 | Top 3/4 of | ng Bear Hdwd cut in 2007 nbrenner Hdwd cut in 2002 | south $1 / 4$ |
| 35 | 4130 - Aspen | High Density Pole | 57.9 | 42 |  |  | cut in 1971 |  |
| 36 | 4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Sapling | 65.3 | 7 |  |  | Clear cut in 2005 |  |
| 37 | 6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous | High Density Pole | 4.3 | 140 | 171-200 |  |  |  |
| 38 | 4130 - Aspen | High Density Sapling | 5.1 | 12 |  |  |  |  |



| Stand | Cover Type | Acres | Managed Site | Management Priority (Objective) | General Comments: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 3102 - Grass | 1.3 | No | Unspecified | Sould be cleaned up. |
| 5 | 11 - Low Intensity Urban | 2.8 | No | Unspecified |  |
| 9 | 710 - Sand, Soil | 1.6 | No | Unspecified |  |
| 25 | 3102 - Grass | 2.9 | No | Unspecified |  |





