

Baraga Forest Management Unit Compartment Review Presentation

Compartment #52 Entry Year: 2014 Compartment Acreage: 1351 County: Houghton

Revision Date: 7/18/2012

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Legal Description: T52N R36W Sec 25, 36; T51N R36W Sec 1

Identified Planning Goals ('Management Area' or 'RMU', if applicable): Central Houghton

Management Goals: To maintain a healthy; sustainable forest with special consideration to wildlife habitat, fisheries habitat, and recreational needs.

Soil and Topography: The compartment has level terrain with some rolling hills in the southwest. Soils are comprised of Munising loamy fine sand, Skanee sandy loam, Cathro-Gay, Kinross and Dawson mucks.

Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment: The surrounding lands are owned by forest industry.

Unique, Natural Features: None listed.

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features: None listed.

Special Management Designations or Considerations: None listed.

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations: The compartment contains tributaries to the Bruno Creek, which are trout streams. BMP's should be used along any waterways.

Wildlife Habitat Considerations: Compartment 52 is found in the Central Houghton Management Area on dissected Moraines in Central Houghton County. The dominant forest community is mesic northern forest. This management area represents almost 15% of the western Upper Peninsula State Forest hemlock resource and is one of the few management areas where the species reliably regenerates and recruits. Increasing the structural and compositional diversity of the northern hardwoods with a particular emphasis on increasing the hemlock component is of very important. Compartment 52 has approximately 324 acres of hardwood forest up for treatment in 2014 along with the other large contiguous blocks of un-fragmented mature hardwoods this area provide excellent areas for Northern Goshawks as well as Pileated Woodpecker.

The following have been identified, as featured species for the Central Houghton management area: Blackburnian Warbler, Pileated Woodpecker, and Northern Goshawk

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions:

Surface sediments consist of coarse-textured glacial till. There is insufficient data to determine the glacial drift thickness. The Precambrian Jacobsville Sandstone subcrops below the glacial drift and was previously used as a building stone. The nearest gravel pit is located one and one-half miles to the north. Gravel potential appears to be good in the compartment. Abandoned copper mines and crushed basalt piles are located two miles to the northwest and have been leased again recently. The compartment has not been leased before. A limestone outlier is located eight miles to the southeast and the State's Nonmetallic Lease NM-100 is located there. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP

Vehicle Access: The Lake Gerald Road access this compartment along with the Alston Snowmobile Trail (109). The remaining road access is from logging roads, some of which cross private.

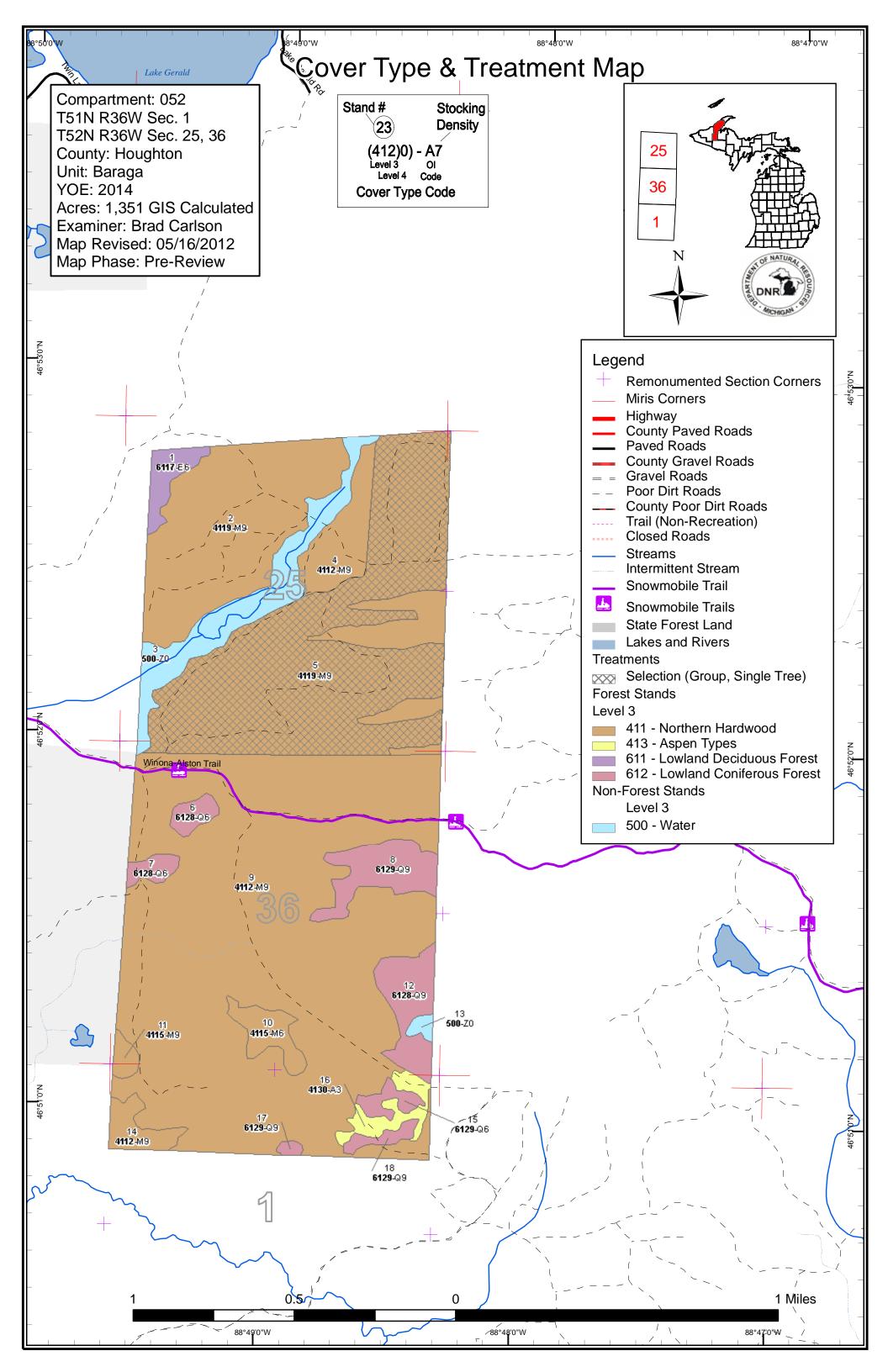
Survey Needs: Survey work will be needed to facilitate timber harvest activities.

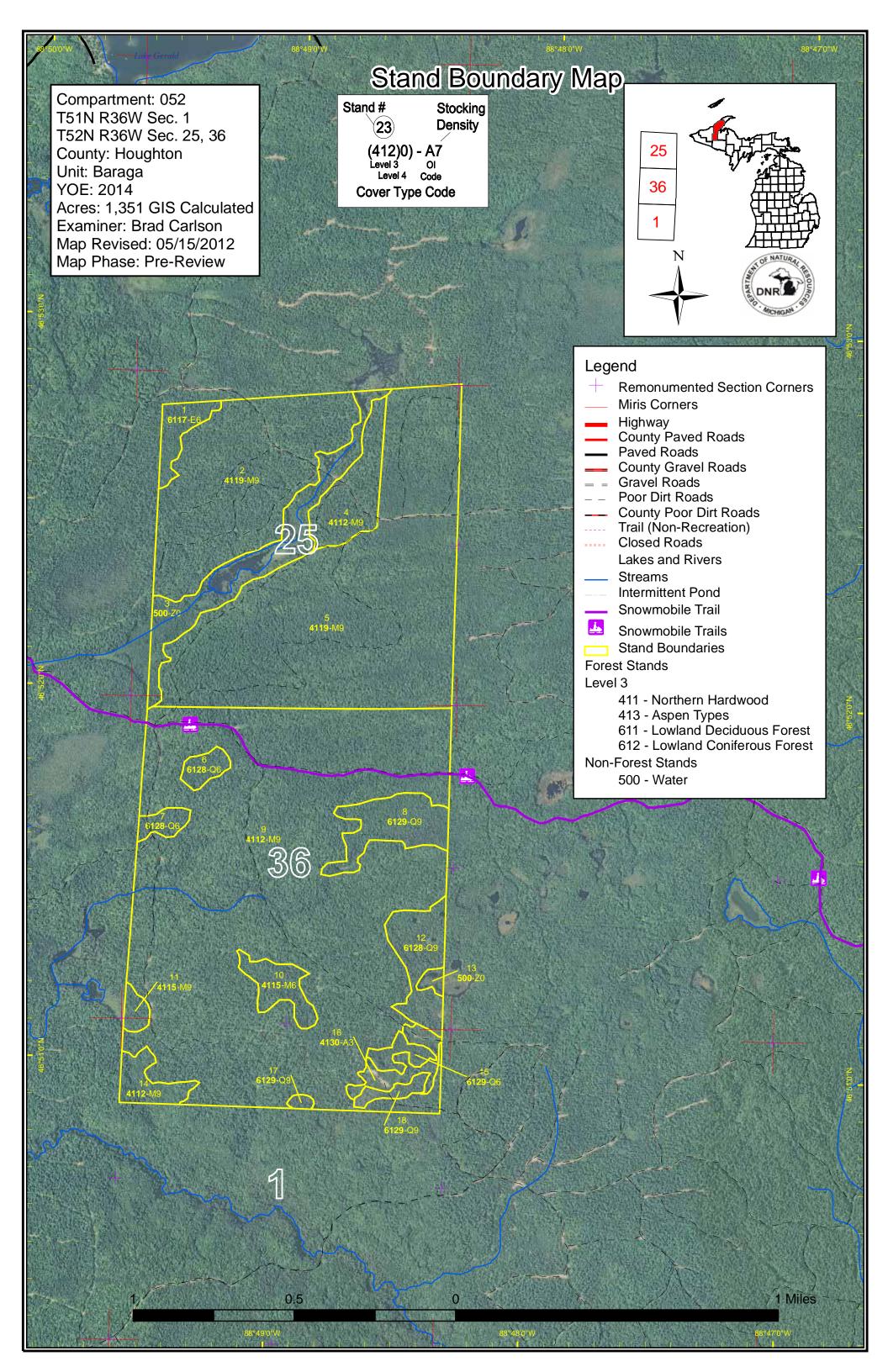
Recreational Facilities and Opportunities: Snowmobile Trail 109 passes through part of this compartment.

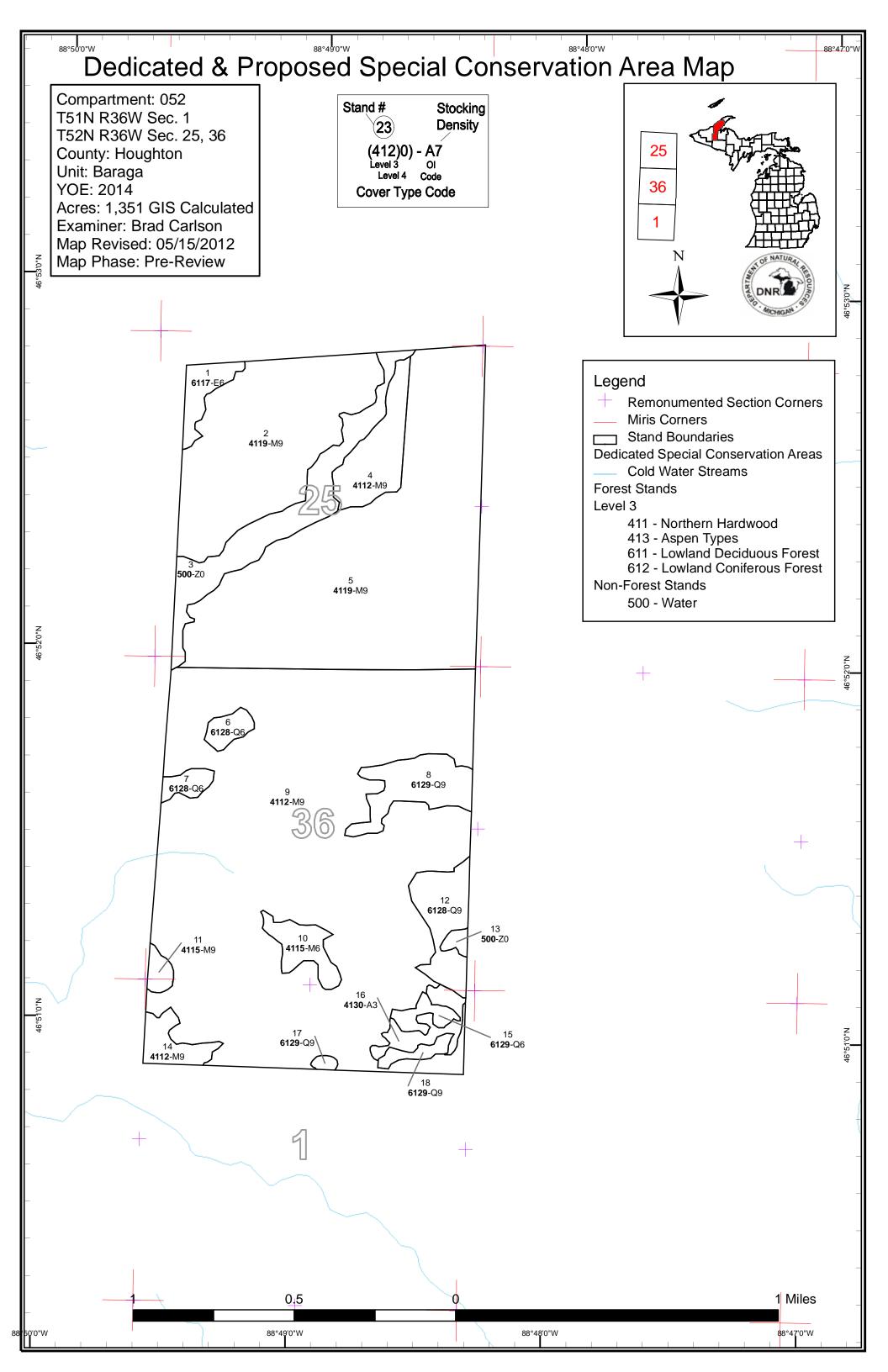
Fire Protection: This is not a fire prone area.

Additional Compartment Information: None listed.

- ➤ The following reports from the Inventory are attached:
 - **♦** Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class
 - **♦** Proposed Treatment Summary
 - **♦** Proposed Treatments No Limiting Factors
 - **♦** Proposed Treatments With Limiting Factors
 - ♦ Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested)
 - **♦** Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas
- > The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:
 - ♦ Base feature information, stand boundaries, cover types, and numbers
 - **♦** Proposed treatments
 - ♦ Details on the road access system







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Jason Mittlestat : Examiner



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Lowland Conifers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	30	93	
Lowland Deciduous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	14	
Northern Hardwood	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1152	1169	
Water	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	61	
Total	76	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	63	1182	1351	



Table 2 – Proposed Treatment Summaries

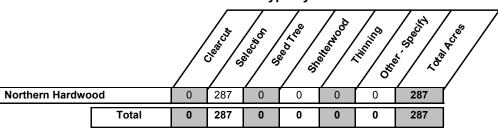
Baraga Mgt. Unit Compartment 052 Year of Entry 2014 **Total Compartment Acres: 1351**

Acres by Treatment Type

Commercial Harvest - 287 Site Prep - 0 Tree Planting - 0 Prescribed Burn - 0 Other - 0

Habitat Cut - 0 Tree Seeding - 0 Pesticide - 0 Opening Maintenance - 0

Cover Type by Harvest Method



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Table 3 -- Treatments Prescribed with No Limiting Factor

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a n d	Treatment Name	Acres	CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Approval Status
5	11052005-Cut	286.8	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	High Density Log	99	111-140	Harvest	Single Tree Selection	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	Cmpt. Review Proposal

Specs:

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Prescription Thin stand down to 70-90 square feet of Basal Area using the single tree selection method. Follow marking guidelines as outlined in the "Complete Marker". Favor mesic conifers White Pine and Hemlock, cedar, and mass producing black cherry where present. As well as Hard Mast producing species such as Northern Red Oak. Protect hemlock inclusions from harvest damage while marking to promote hemlock expansion. Retention for this stand will be greater than 3% and will consist of tree species of the dominant cover type.

<u>Other</u>

There are some low areas in the stand that are mapped out of the treatment shape. Acreage still might vary due to the ground conditions.

Comments:

<u>Next</u> Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2013 Start Date:

Total Treatment

Acreage Proposed: 286.8

Baraga Mgt. Unit Table 4 -- Treatments Prescribed with Compartment: 052 a Limiting Factor s Year of Entry 2014 n Treatment **Acres** CoverType Size Stand BA **Treatment Treatment Cover Type Approval** Age Method Objective Status Name Density Range Type d #Error Prescription Specs: <u>Other</u> Comment: <u>Next</u> Steps: <u>Proposed</u> Start Date: #Error

Total Treatment Acreage Proposed:

Limiting Factor and No Treatment Reason

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Prescription Specs:

Other Comments:

Next Steps:

Proposed

Start Date: #Error

Total Treatment Acreage Proposed:

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
1	6117 - Lowland Deciduous, Mixed Coniferous	High Density Pole	13.8	86	111-140	
2	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	High Density Log	151.1	Uneven Age	81-110	
4	4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association	High Density Log	33.9	Uneven Age	81-110	
5	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	High Density Log	324.0	Uneven Age	111-140	
6	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	7.9	125	111-140	
7	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	7.1	125	81-110	
8	6129 - Mixed Coniferous Lowland Forest	High Density Log	32.1	125	141-170	
9	4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association	High Density Log	622.9	Uneven Age	81-110	
10	4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH	High Density Pole	16.7	40	51-80	
11	4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH	High Density Log	5.6	Uneven Age	81-110	
12	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Log	29.9	Uneven Age	111-140	
14	4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association	High Density Log	14.6	Uneven Age	141-170	
15	6129 - Mixed Coniferous Lowland Forest	High Density Pole	7.9	125	111-140	
16	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	14.8	8	1-50	
17	6129 - Mixed Coniferous Lowland Forest	High Density Log	1.9	125	171-200	
18	6129 - Mixed Coniferous Lowland Forest	High Density Log	5.8	125	171-200	

6 - Nonforested Stands

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Stand	Cover Type	Acres	Managed Site	Management Priority (Objective)	General Comments:
3	50 - Water	58.0	No	Low (NonForested)	
13	50 - Water	3.1	No	Low (NonForested)	

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7 - 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.

Stand	SCA Type	SCA Name	Acres	Comments

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8 – 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 Area	Type	Description	ERA = Ecological Reference Area HCVA = High Conservation Value Area SCA = Special Conservation Area				
SCA	Cold Water Stream	stocked trout populations and those of other coldwayear to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typical	Such streams are established by Director's action and				