

## Gwinn Forest Management Unit Compartment Review Presentation Compartment 35 Entry Year: 2013

**Compartment Acreage: 1, 505** County: Marquette

**Revision Date:** 08/18/2011

Stand Examiner: Kevin LaBumbard

**Legal Description:** T45N R26W Sections 6,7,18

RMU (if applicable): Chain Lakes Moraine Management Area

**Management Goals:** To improve the quality and diversity of State forests and wildlife through proper habitat management, while protecting the riparian values of our wetlands and waters.

**Soil and Topography:** Topography varies greatly from nearly level to quite steep. Although there are some organic soils, most are excessively drained sands. Soil associations include Rubicon, Croswell, Carbondale, Lupton, Tawas, Rifle, Dawson, Kinross, Kalkaska, Munising and Keweenaw.

Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment: Most of the compartment is surrounded by State land except for the private holdings in section 6.

Unique, Natural Features: Potential for osprey, eagle, and great blue heron rookery. Potential for redshouldered hawk and goshawk. Potential for moose and wolf. Potential for wood turtle in Bear Creek. Potential for grasshopper sparrow in grassy openings. Potential for auricled tway-blade, western dock, veiny meadow-rue, and linear-leaved gentian along riparian areas. Potential for Farwell's water-milfoil and alternate-leaved water-milfoil in shallow lakes. Potential for purple clematis in dry-mesic confier stands. Potential for fir clubmoss in moist sandy depressions and shorelines. Potential for Canada rice-grass in grassy openings and in clearings in jack pine.

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features: None identified.

**Special Management Designations or Considerations:** 

**Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:** Bear Creek

Wildlife Habitat Considerations: Maintain or increase potential of hard mast production by utilizing management strategies that encourage oak. Identify and implement methods that increase mesic conifer in hardwood stands, especially white pine in oak. Manage for within-stand diversity by protecting and/or enhancing white and red pine, and strive to increase diversity for wildlife. Maintain the best age class diversity in aspen. Strive to increase within-stand diversity in aspen by utilizing retention guidelines to provide the best combination of food and cover. Within Special Conservation Areas along creeks and tributaries maintain large closed canopy conifer to provide snow intercept and cover, mature forest structure and protection for wildlife corridors and riparian areas. Diversity in habitat types in this compartment offers a variety of hunting, trapping, and wildlife viewing opportunities.

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions: Surface sediments consist of coarse-textured glacial till. The glacial drift thickness varies between 50 and 200 feet. Precambrian Archean

Granite/Gneiss subcrops below the glacial drift. There is not a current economic use for this formation. Gravel pits are located two miles to the southeast and potential should be good. Abandoned iron mines are located six miles to the east. Sections 7 and 19 were previously leased for metallic exploration. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP.

Vehicle Access: Very good from County Road 565, Hemmings Lake Road, and Chain-o-Lakes Road.

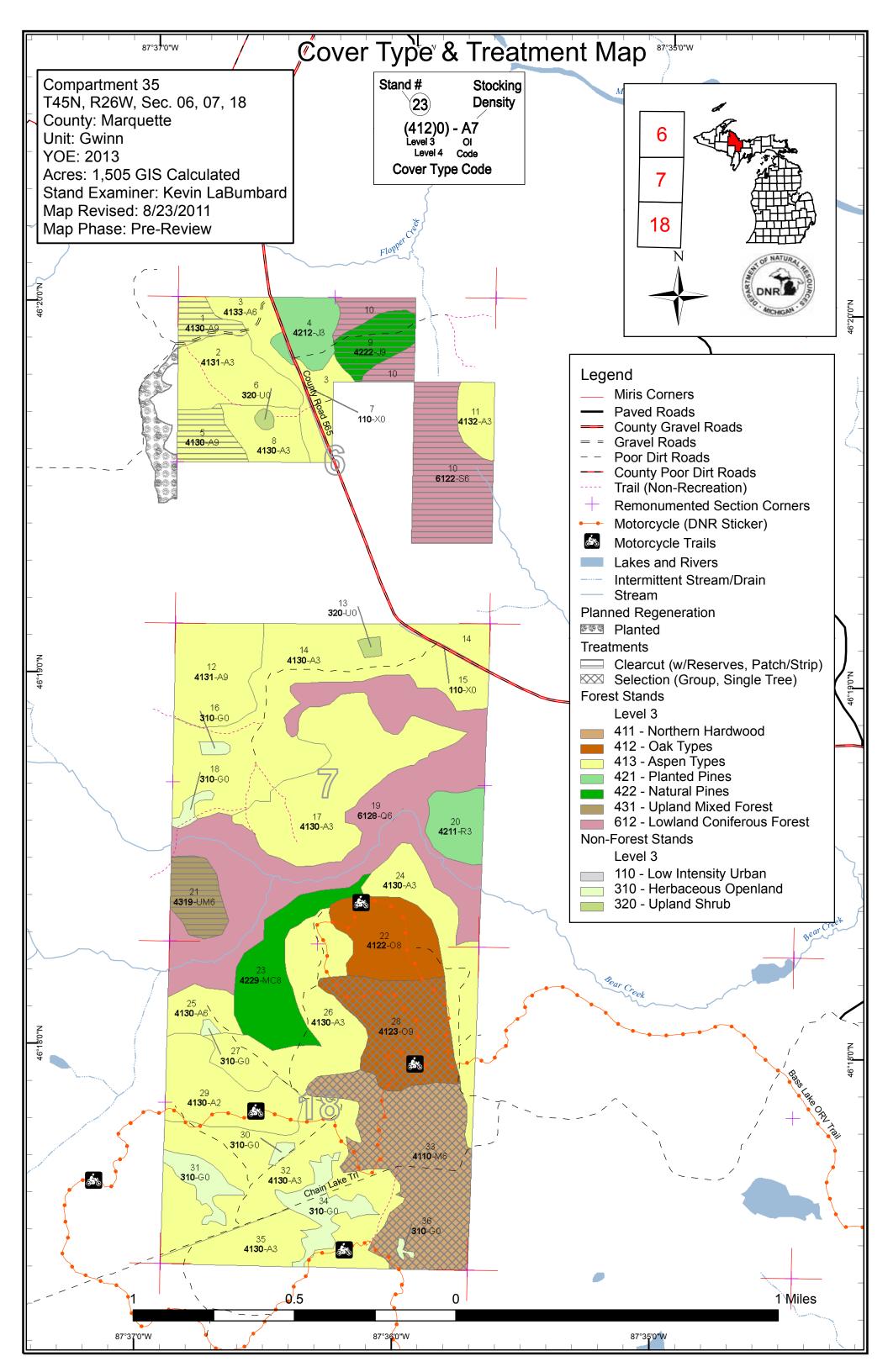
Survey Needs: None at this time

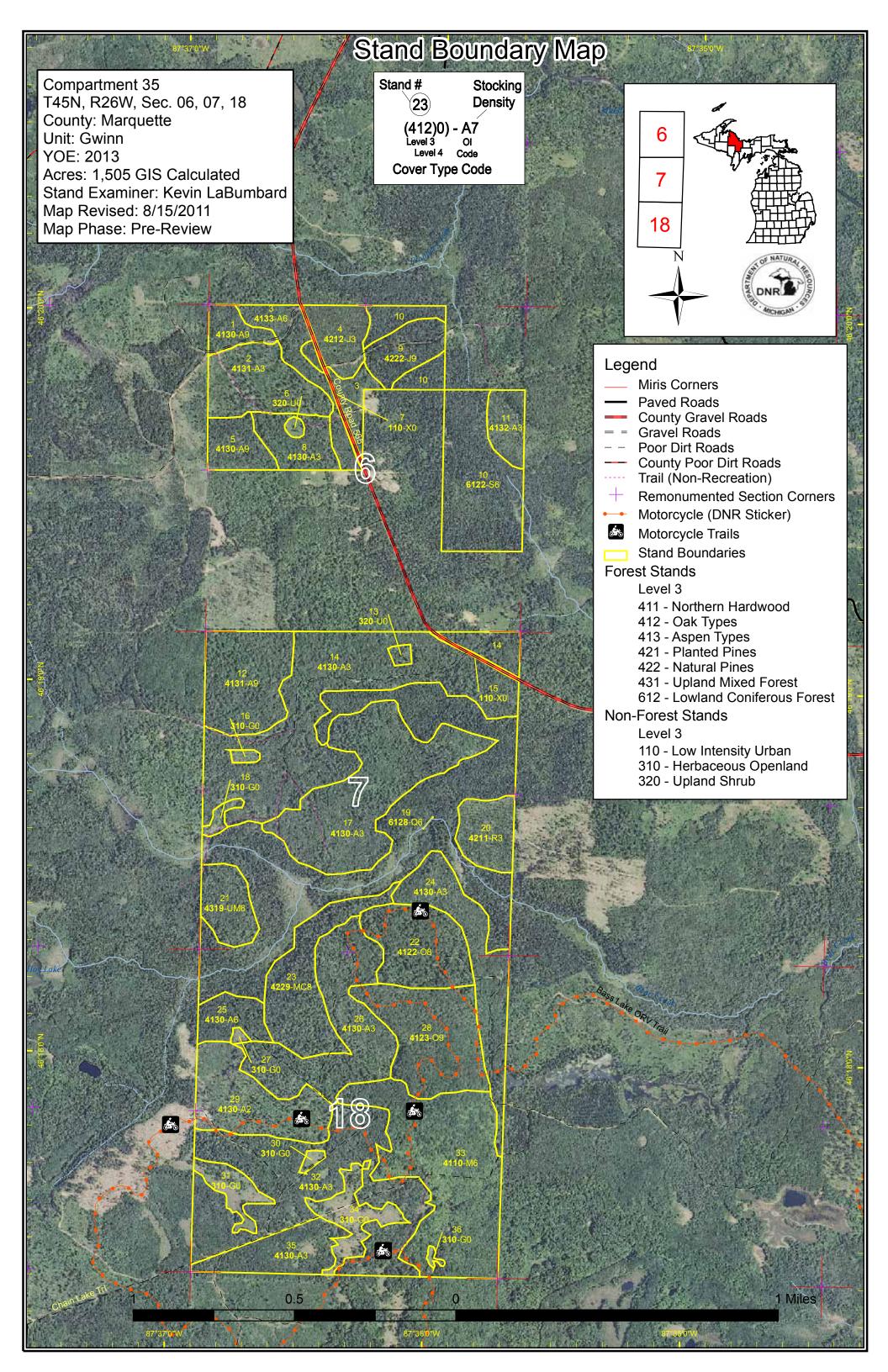
**Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:** A segment of the Bass Lake ORV trail runs through this compartment. In addition, hunting opportunities are excellent for upland game, deer, and bear.

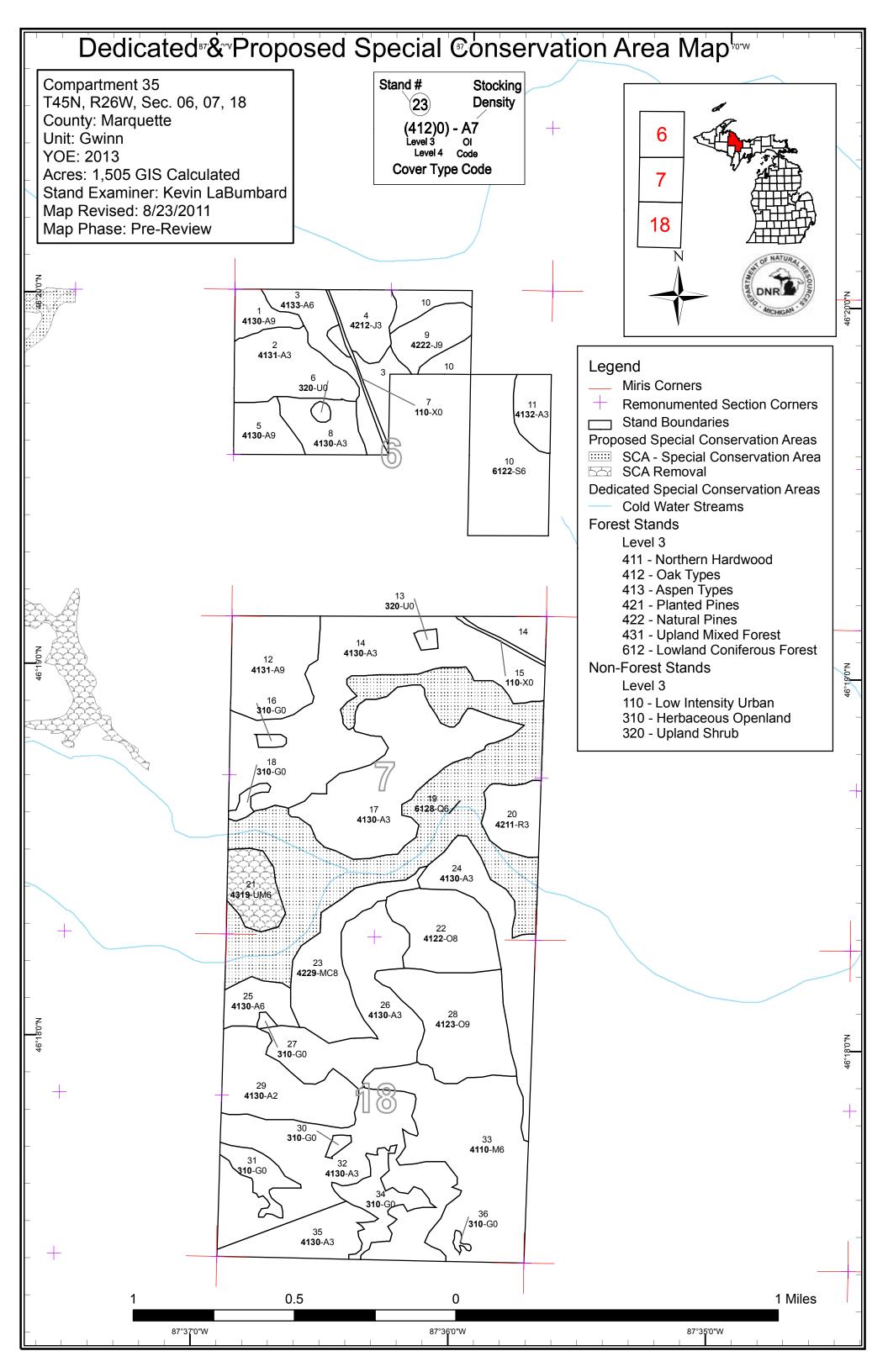
**Fire Protection:** This compartment has a low risk for wildfire.

### **Additional Compartment Information:**

- ➤ The following 5 reports from the Operations Inventory System (OIPC) are attached:
  - **♦** Cover Type by Age Class
  - **♦** Cover Type by Management Objective
  - **♦** Compartment Volume Summary
  - **♦** Proposed Treatments No Limiting Factors
  - **♦** Proposed Treatments With Limiting Factors
- > The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:
  - ♦ Base feature information, stand numbers, cover types
  - **♦** Proposed treatments
  - ♦ Proposed road access system
  - ♦ Suggested potential old growth







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**Kevin LaBumbard: Examiner** 



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### **Table 2 – Proposed Treatment Summaries**

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Compartment 035 Year of Entry 2013 **Total Compartment Acres: 1505** 

**Acres by Treatment Type** 

Tree Planting - 0 Commercial Harvest - 337 Site Prep - 0 Prescribed Burn - 0 Other - 0

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

#### Cover Type by Harvest Method

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Aspen		31	0	0	0	0	0	31	
Jack Pine		21	0	0	0	0	0	21	
Lowland Spruce/Fir		82	0	0	0	0	0	82	
Northern Hardwood		0	116	0	0	0	0	116	
Oak		0	64	0	0	0	0	64	•
Upland Mixed Fo	22	0	0	0	0	0	22		
	Total	157	179	0	0	0	0	337	

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# Table 3 -- Treatments Prescribed with No Limiting Factor

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a n d	Treatment Name	Acres	Stage1 CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Approval Status
1	32035001-Cut	12.3	4130 - Aspen	High Density Log	60	Harvest	Clearcut with Reserves	4131 - Aspen, Oak	Cmpt. Review Proposal

Prescription Clearcut aspen, birch, red maple, and jack pine, retaining the red oak component and any white pine which may be present. In addition, any

<u>Specs:</u> legacy trees, regardless of species, will be retained.

Other Mixed aspen (quaking and big tooth) with red oak sawtimber, white birch and red maple.

Comments:

Next Monitor regeneration per Work Instructions.

Steps:

5 32035005-Cut 18.6 4130 - Aspen High Density Log 69 Harvest Clearcut with 4131 - Aspen, Oak Cmpt. Review Reserves Proposal

Prescription Clearcut the aspen, red maple, and jack pine retaining the red oak component as well as any white pine and red pine if present. In addition, all

<u>Specs:</u> legacy trees will be retained if present.

Other Mature aspen with red oak and jack pine.

Comments:

Monitor regeneration per Work Instructions.

Next Steps:

9 32035009-Cut 21.4 42220 - Natural High Density Log 74 Harvest Clearcut 42340 - Upland Cmpt. Review Spruce/Fir Proposal

<u>Prescription</u> Harvest all jack pine, aspen, and black spruce. Retain only the white pine if present. Chipping required yet leaving some slash scattered.

Specs:

Other Mature jack pine stand with upland black spruce and a pocket of aspen sawtimber. Approximately 95 ba jack pine, 10 ba black spruce. Cut with

Comments: stand 10.

Next Scarify the stand with anchor chains, monitor for regeneration per Work Instructions, and if that fails, trench and seed.

Steps:

10 32035010-Cut 82.4 6122 - Black Spruce High Density Pole 120 Harvest Clearcut with 6122 - Black Spruce Cmpt. Review Reserves Proposal

<u>Prescription</u> Cut spruce and additional swamp conifers and associated hardwoods retaining the cedar component.

Specs:

Other Comments:

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Next Monitor regeneration per Work Instructions. Any swamp conifers will be acceptable for regeneration.

Steps:

21 32035021-Cut 22.4 4319 - Mixed High Density Pole 71 Harvest Clearcut with 4139 - Aspen, Mixed Cmpt. Review Upland Forest Reserves Deciduous Proposal

Prescription Cut all species except the white pine and any legacy trees if found. The sale boundary will be kept "high" along the east side of the stand.

Specs: Access will be from the west through the A3 stand.

Other Former potential old growth stand. It consists of 3-4 stick mixed aspen, red maple, white birch over black spruce, fir, with scattered white pine.

Comments:

Next Monitor regeneration per Work Instructions.

Steps:

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a n d	Treatment Name	Acres	Stage1 CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Approval Status
28	32035028-Cut	63.7	4123 - Red Oak	High Density Log	88	Harvest	Single Tree Selection	4123 - Red Oak	Cmpt. Review

Prescription Selection harvest leaving 60 ba of large crowned red oak and the white pine.

Specs: <u>Other</u>

Nice high quality red oak sawtimber stand of acorn and stump sprout origin. As a result, the trees are both single stem and in clumps. The

Comments: stand contains areas of heavier white birch and aspen in the north and west end with a fair amount of white birch

<u>Next</u> Steps: Monitor regeneration 5 years after harvest. Wildlife Division will underplant with white pine.

32035033-Cut 115.7 4110 - Sugar Maple High Density Pole 88 Harvest Single Tree Selection 4111 - S.Maple, Cmpt. Review Association Hard Mast Proposal

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Prescription Selectively mark individual trees for harvest in all size classes working to move the stand toward an all-aged system. Retain the red oak, hemlock, and super canopy white spruce components. Target BA of 80-85.

Specs:

Other\_ Even-aged hard maple stand with large red oak. Also contains scattered hemlock and white spruce. Ridgey , rocky, rolling terrain.

Comments:

<u>Next</u> Monitor regen and evaluate the stand the next inventory cycle.

Steps:

**Total Treatment** 

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Gwinn Mgt. Unit Table 4 -- Treatments Prescribed with Compartment: 035 a Limiting Factor s Year of Entry 2013 t **Treatment** n Treatment **Acres** Stage1 Size Stand **Treatment Cover Type Approval** Name CoverType Density Method Objective Status Age Type d #Error **Prescription** Specs: <u>Other</u> Comment: <u>Next</u> Steps: Limiting Factor and No

Total Treatment
Acreage Proposed:

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Treatment Name	Acres	Stage1 CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Approval Status
Prescription Specs:								
Other Comments:								
Next Steps:								

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	4130 - Aspen	High Density Log	12.3	60		Mixed aspen (quaking and big tooth) with red oak sawtimber, white birch and red maple.
2	4131 - Aspen, Oak	High Density Sapling	42.2	5		10-20 ba red oak over aspen regeneration. Good red maple stump sprouts. Cut in 2005 by Gartland under contract 009-03-01.
3	4133 - Aspen, Mixed Pine	High Density Pole	36.6	24		Aspen poles and saplings with mixed white,jack, and red pines along Co. Rd 565.
4	42120 - Planted Jack Pine	High Density Sapling	23.2	17		10-15' tall 3-4" jack pine with an occasional aspen pole.
5	4130 - Aspen	High Density Log	18.6	69		Mature aspen with red oak and jack pine.
8	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	22.0	17		2-4' aspen saplings with occasional red oak pole in the overstory.
9	42220 - Natural Jack Pine	High Density Log	21.4	74	81-110	Mature jack pine stand with upland black spruce and a pocket of aspen sawtimber. Approximately 95 ba jack pine, 10 ba black spruce. Cut with stand 11.
10	6122 - Black Spruce	High Density Pole	82.4	120		Large black spuce swamp, small diameter, with pockets of additional swamp conifers.
11	4132 - Aspen, Jack Pine	High Density Sapling	15.5	20		2"-4" aspen and jack pine saplings. 60-40 aspen/jack pine blend.
12	4131 - Aspen, Oak	High Density Log	50.6	31	1-50	Red oak and white pine sawtimber over 4" aspen saplings. A trace of red pine and white birch. Fair white pine in the understory with red maple and red oak saplings. Terrain is ridgey with moderately steep slopes. red oak ba 40, white pine 10.
14	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	156.8	31		
17	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	101.1	26		Aspen saplings over decent white pine regeneration with pockets of W7. Scattered red oak and large red pine sawtimber.
19	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	196.4	83		Typical lowland conifer stand. Heavier cedar component along Bear Creek.
20	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Sapling	22.9	17		Almost pure young 4" red pine plantation with a few volunteer white pine and balsam fir.
21	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	High Density Pole	22.4	71		Former potential old growth stand. It consists of 3-4 stick mixed aspen, red maple, white birch over black spruce, fir, with scattered white pine.

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
22	4122 - Oak, Pine	Medium Density Log	45.6	88		Red oak, white pine, and red pine sawtimber over M3 -red maple- stump sprouts and scattered white pine seedlings. Stand was cut around 1994 under contract # 014-93-01. Nice pocket of large red pine in se corner.
23	42290 - Natural Mixed Pine	Medium Density Log	49.1	93	81-110	Mixed pine sawtimber over aspen, fir, and black spruce. 30 ba white pine, 35 ba red pine, 20 ba of mixed aspen, red maple, black spruce. Scattered red oak.
24	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	52.4	20		25-30' tall aspen with white pine, fir, red pine, red oak, and white birch.
25	4130 - Aspen	High Density Pole	17.4	35		3-4 stick aspen pole stand with fir, some white spruce, and white pine sawtimber over F2/F3.
26	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	75.4	21		Aspen saplings with super canopy red and white pine, red oak over fir, jack pine, and white pine.
28	4123 - Red Oak	High Density Log	63.7	88	51-80	Nice high quality red oak sawtimber stand of acorn and stump sprout origin. As a result, the trees are both single stem and in clumps. The stand contains areas of heavier white birch and aspen in the north and west end with a fair amount of white birch dead standing. Scattered large boulders and rolling terrain.
29	4130 - Aspen	Medium Density	51.3	5		Cut in 2005 by LaFleur under permit # 019-03-01. 1' aspen saplings with a super canopy of red and white pine, and red oak.
32	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	124.3	20		A highly variable stand of multiple clones of aspen, scattered small openings throughout and supercanopy pines and red oak, with pockets of jack pine and balsam fir.
33	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Pole	115.7	88		Even-aged hard maple stand with large red oak. Also contains scattered hemlock and white spruce. Ridgey , rocky, rolling terrain.
35	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	31.0	16		Aspen saplings with super canopy red and white pine and scattered fir.

#### 6 - Nonforested Stands

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Stand	Cover Type	Acres	Managed Site	Management Priority (Objective)	General Comments:
6	320 - Upland Shrub	1.9	No	Unspecified	Created wildlife opening.
7	11 - Low Intensity Urban	3.1	N\A	Unspecified	Co. Rd 565
13	320 - Upland Shrub	2.4	No	Unspecified	Grass opening filling in with white pine. Almost a W2.
15	11 - Low Intensity Urban	2.0	N\A	Unspecified	Co. Rd 565
16	310 - Herbaceous Openland	2.1	No	Unspecified	Grass opening filling in with white pine. Almost W2.
18	310 - Herbaceous Openland	3.7	No	Unspecified	Natural opening with lots of sweet fern
27	310 - Herbaceous Openland	1.3	N\A	Unspecified	Grass opening filling in with white pine and fir.
30	310 - Herbaceous Openland	2.0	No	Unspecified	Small natural opening.
31	310 - Herbaceous Openland	13.5	No	Unspecified	Natural grass opening
34	310 - Herbaceous Openland	21.5	No	Unspecified	Larger natural opening with upland brush.
36	310 - Herbaceous Openland	1.0	No	Unspecified	Small grass opening

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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
19	Unique Site - SCA	32035019	196.4	Typical lowland conifer stand. Heavier cedar component along Bear Creek. SCA riparian corridor along Bear Creek.
21	SCA Removal	32035021	22.4	Former potential old growth stand. It consists of 3-4 stick mixed aspen, red maple, white birch over black spruce, fir, with scattered white pine. Recommend removal of SCA status and schedule clearcut with reserves.

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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	Туре	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 col- year to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typi	ved oxygen conditions that allow naturally-reproduced or dwater fish species (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from ically provide these conditions due to substantial vs. Such streams are established by Director's action and er 210.				