DNR DISCHARGE

Compartment Review Presentation

Gwinn Forest Management Unit

Compartment 32062 Entry Year 2016

Acreage: 1728.23920000

County Marquette

Management Area: Ralph Ground Moraine

Revision Date: 2014-09-16

Stand Examiner: Kevin LaBumbard

Legal Description:

T43N R26W, Sections 16,17,18

Identified Planning 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:

Terrain ranges from level swamps and wetland drainages to rolling and slightly hilly uplands. Major soil types are Onaway fine sandy loam, Carbondale and Tawas soils, Emmet-Escanaba Complex, Onaway-Nadeau fine sandy loam.

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

This compartment contains private ownership in larger blocks with a fair amount of state land blocked by gated private access.

Unique Natural Features:

No Unique Natural Features known.

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

No Archeological, Historical, or Cultural Features known.

Special Management Designations or Considerations:

Large deer wintering complex.

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

Several tributaries to Gleason Creek.

Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

Compartment 62 is found within the Ralph Ground Moraine Management Area; on Ground Moraines in northern Dickinson and southern Marquette Counties. The dominant Natural Communities are mesic northern forest, poor conifer swamps, and dry mesic northern forest. Major forest cover types include Aspen, Northern Hardwoods, and Mixed Lowland Conifers. Almost every cover type and associated species can be found within the management area including several deer wintering complexes. This management area provides some of the finest grouse and woodcock hunting in the Midwest and this is a wildlife management priority that will continue. Wildlife management issues in the management area are: early successional forest conditions (associated with alder, riparian zones, or forested wetlands); mast (hard and soft); habitat fragmentation; mature forest (upland deciduous, especially aspen and mixed forest with little understory); course woody debris; and deer wintering complexes.

The following have been identified as featured species for Chain Lakes Management Area: American woodcock, black bear, Northern goshawk, ruffed grouse, and whitetail deer.

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

Surface sediments consist of medium-textured till (drumlin area). There is insufficient data to determine the glacial drift thickness. The Cambrian Trempealeau Formation subcrops below the glacial drift. The Trempealeau could be used for stone. Several gravel pits are located in this area and there is potential on the upland areas. Abandoned iron mines are located twelve miles to the northeast. Section 18 is leased for metallic exploration. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP.

Vehicle Access:

Ross Grade is the primary road for access and is DNR maintained. Numerous 2-tracks are located in the compartment. Section 18 is accessed via Shultz Rd in Dickinson County.

Survey Needs:

None at this time.

Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:

This is a good hunting area but the general public is not well liked by the local camp owners.

Fire Protection:

This compartment has a low risk for fire, and access is good.

Additional Compartment Information:

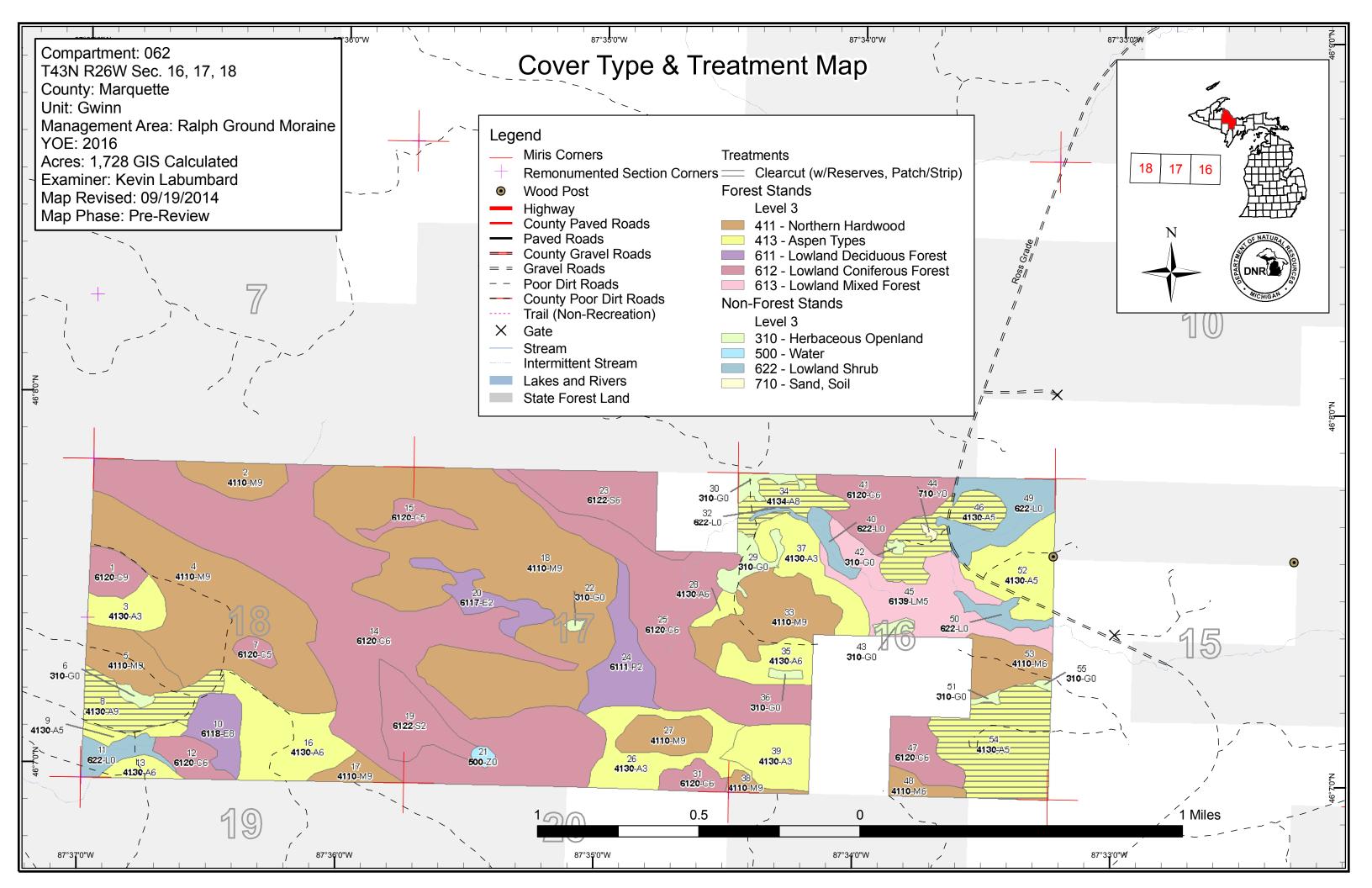
The following reports from the Inventory are attached:

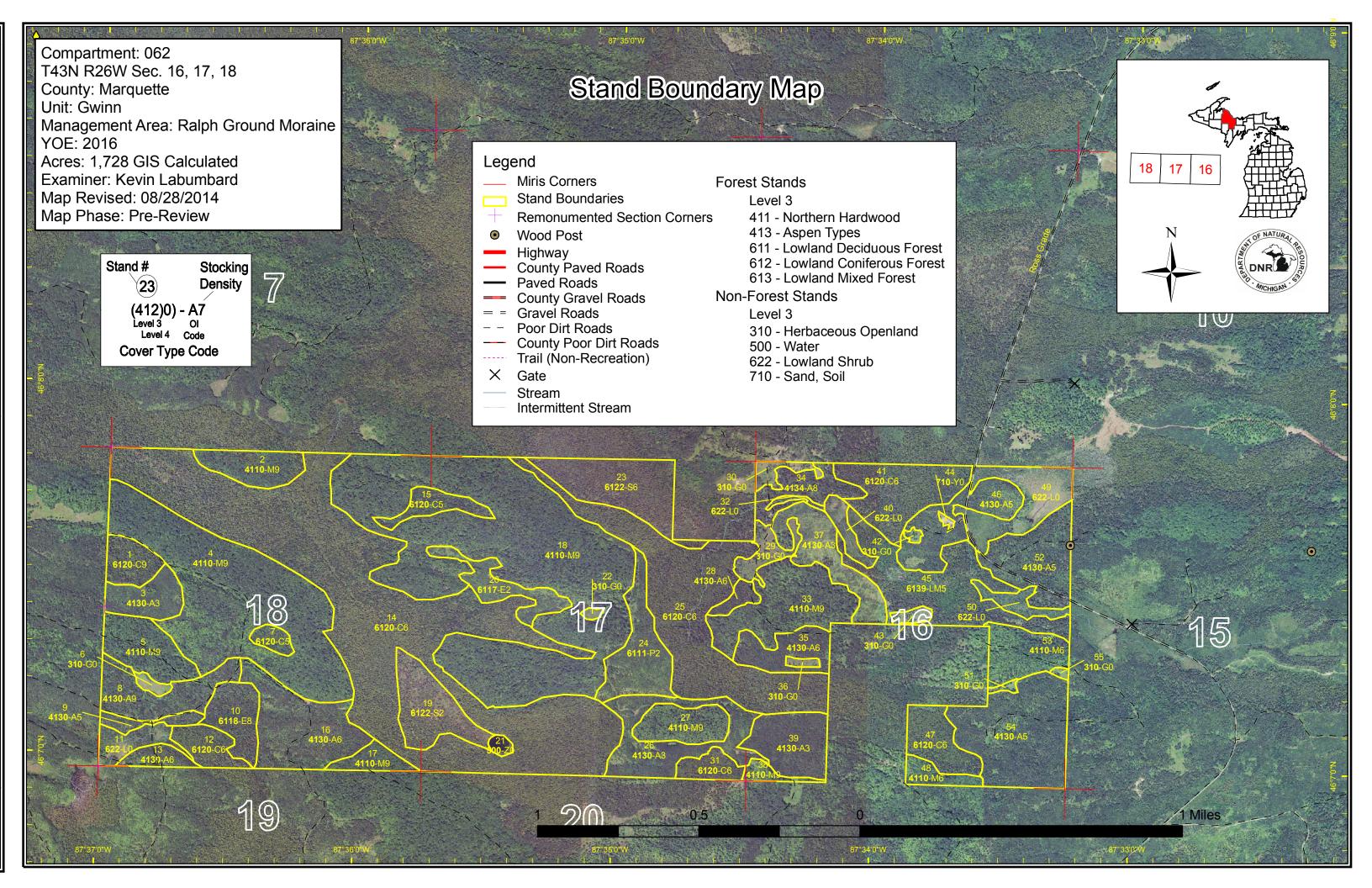
Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class
Cover Type by Harvest Method
Proposed Treatments – No Limiting Factors
Proposed Treatments – With Limiting Factors
Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested)
Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas
Site Condition Details

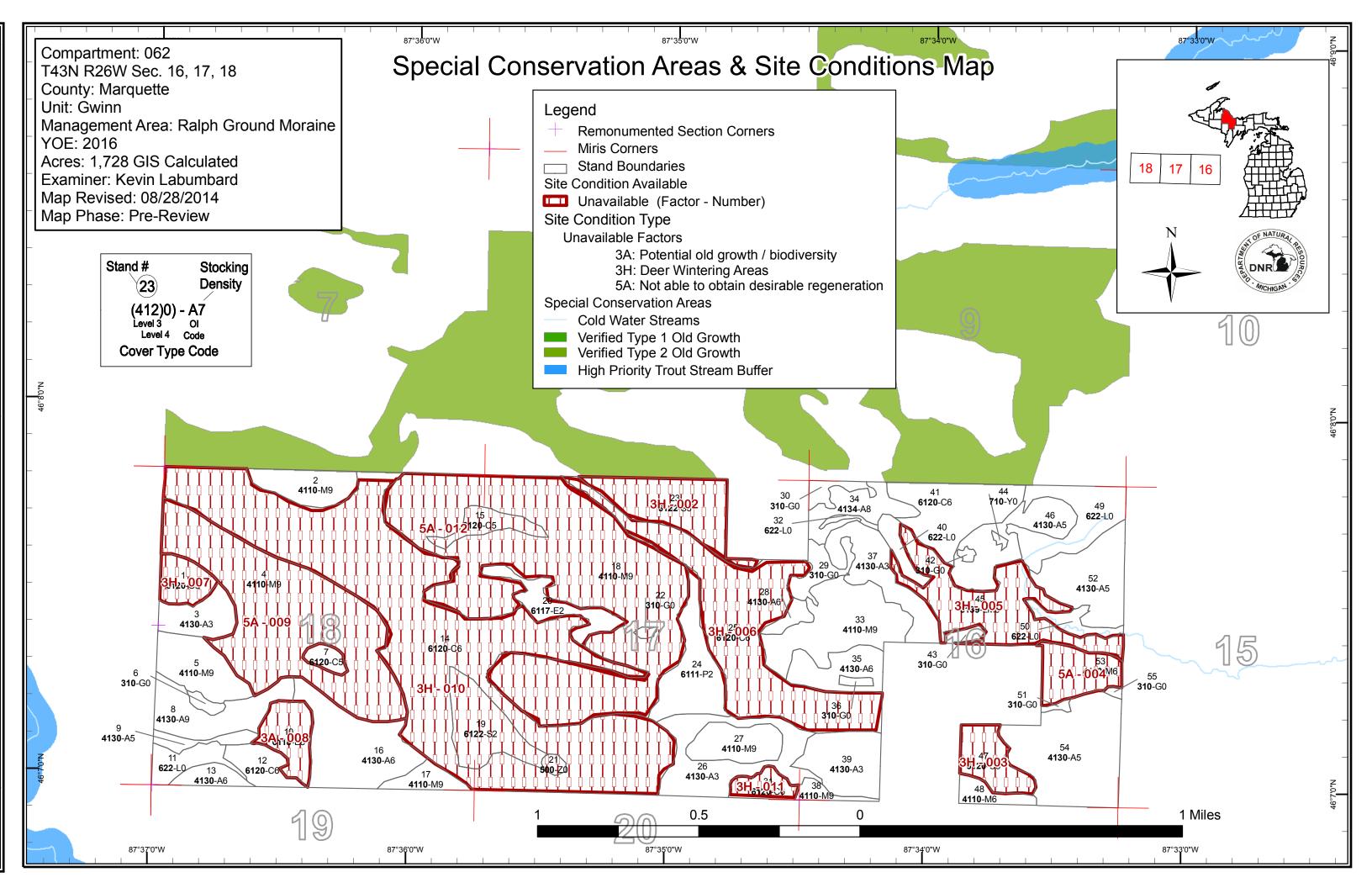
The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:

Base feature information, stand boundaries, cover types, and numbers Proposed treatments Site condition boundaries

Details on the road access system







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Age Class																
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Aspen	29	55	47	161	66	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	377	
Cedar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	18	446	0	514	
Herbaceous Openland	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	
Lowland Aspen/Balsam Poplar	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	
Lowland Deciduous	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	38	
Lowland Mixed Forest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	0	0	0	60	
Lowland Shrub	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	
Lowland Spruce/Fir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	41	0	0	0	0	0	71	
Northern Hardwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	545	0	0	0	0	545	
Sand, Soil	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Water	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
Total	121	105	47	161	66	18	0	30	101	595	0	18	465	0	1728	



Report 2 – Proposed Treatment Summaries

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Compartment 062 Total Compartment Acres: 1,728

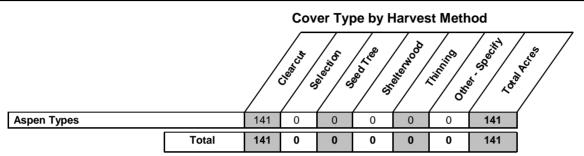
Acres by Treatment Type

Commercial Harvest - 141 Tree Planting - 0

0 Other - 0

Habitat Cut - 0

Opening Maintenance - 0



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Report 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
8	32062008-Cut	29.3	4130 - Aspen	High Density Log	49		Harvest	Clearcut	413 - Aspen	Cmpt. Review Proposal

Prescription Final harvest, retain wp, retain a few small patches of larger bigtooth aspen.

Specs:

<u>Other</u> Nice 4-5 stick aspen on fairly steep hillside. Mixed with bigtooth, white birch, and wp (primarily on west side).

Comments:

Next Monitor regeneration.

Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2015 Start Date:

Medium 59 Harvest Clearcut 413 - Aspen Cmpt. Review 34 32062034-Cut 18.5 4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir Density Loa Proposal

Prescription Final harvest retaining hardwood. Enough inaccesible aspen will be left to satisfy retention.

Specs:

Cloney aspen on steep ridges and flats. Hardwoods on ridge tops. Dense hazel in places. Allow aspen to convert to hardwoods on unnavigable Other slopes. Spruce budworm on north side spruce/fir. Comments:

Monitor regeneration. Next

Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2015 Start Date:

46 32062046-Cut 30.3 4130 - Aspen Medium 33 Harvest Clearcut 413 - Aspen Cmpt. Review . Proposal Density

Pole

Prescription Almost pure 3-5 stick aspen. Smaller dbh's in places. 40-100 ba. Stand is breaking up. Drought stress?

Specs:

Other Final harvest no reserves. Retain any white pine or cedar.

Comments:

Next Monitor regeneration.

Steps:

Proposed

Start Date: 10/01/2015

32062054-Cut 62.9 4130 - Aspen Medium 36 Harvest Clearcut 413 - Aspen Cmpt. Review Density Proposal

Pole

Prescription Final harvest all aspen, no retention to promote regeneration.

Specs:

Almost pure 3-4 stick aspen 50-90 ba average about 70 ba. The stand is breaking up, about 1/4 to 1/3 of the stand is dead and down. A few <u>Other</u>

Comments: basswood clumps from stump sprouts. Illegal blind in the opening.

<u>Next</u> Monitor regeneration.

Steps:

Proposed 10/01/2015 Start Date:

Total Treatment

Acreage Proposed: 141.0

Gwinn Mgt. Unit Report 4 -- Treatments Prescribed with Compartment: 062 a Site Condition s Year of Entry 2016 t а **Treatment** Acres CoverType Size Stand ВА **Treatment Treatment Cover Type Approval** n Method Objective Status Name Range Density Age Type #Type! #Type! **Prescription** Specs: Other Comment: **Next** Steps: <u>Proposed</u>

Total Treatment

Start Date: # Limiting Factor

Acreage Proposed: 0.0

#Type!

Report 5 – Site Conditions

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Availa	ability for I	Management					
Total	Acres	Acres	D	omina	nt Site	e Con	ditions
Acres	Available	Not Available		No	5A	3H	3A
376	376	0	Aspen	376		0	
512	74	439	Cedar	74	13	426	
31	31	0	Lowland Aspen/Balsam Poplar	31		0	
37	18	20	Lowland Deciduous	18	0	0	19
59	2	58	Lowland Mixed Forest	2		58	
71	2	70	Lowland Spruce/Fir	2		70	
543	281	262	Northern Hardwood	281	260	2	
1,631	783	848	Total Forested Acres	783	273	556	19
	48%	52%	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 Dominant Site No. Cond Availability	Dominant Site Condition	Acres	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition
002 Not Available	3H: Deer Wintering Areas	39				
Comments:						
003 Not Available	3H: Deer Wintering Areas	20				
Comments:						
004 Not Available	5A: Not able to obtain desirable regeneration	22				
Comments:						
005 Not Available	3H: Deer Wintering Areas	59				
Comments:						

Report 5 – Site Conditions

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006	Not Available	3H: Deer Wintering Areas	105
С	omments:		
007	Not Available	3H: Deer Wintering Areas	13
С	omments:		
800	Not Available	3A: Potential old growth / biodiversity	19
	omments:		
T	ype 2 old growth.		
010	Not Available	3H: Deer Wintering Areas	317
С	omments:		
011	Not Available	3H: Deer Wintering Areas	9
С	omments:		
012	Not Available	5A: Not able to obtain	253
0.12	113t Available	desirable regeneration	
С	omments:		

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Report 6 - 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
Comments				

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Report 7 – EXISTING SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA DETAILS

* This is a list of SCA's for this compartment along with a 1/4 mile buffer surrounding the compartment. Refer to the Special Conservation Area Map for locations of the below listed Conservation Areas.

Conservation Area	Туре	Description	ERA = Ecological Reference Area HCVA = High Conservation Value Area SCA = Special Conservation Area
SCA	Cold Water Stream	A coldwater stream has temperature and dissolved oxygen cond stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fish specified year to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically provide the contributions of groundwater to their stream flows. Such streams designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 210.	es (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from se conditions due to substantial
SCA	Habitat Area	An area that provide some specific need for the life cycle of wildle and Waterfowl Production Areas, deer wintering complexes in los openings and savannas. Habitat areas are distinct from critical hendangered or threatened species (such as Kirtland's warbler or general in nature, are not primarily associated with threatened or covered by species recovery plans that are developed in cooperation.	wland conifer communities, grassland abitat designated for recovery of piping plover areas) in that they are more rendangered species, and are not

S t	Gwinn Mgt. Unit			Report 8	– Forested	Stands Compartment: 062 Year of Entry: 2016
a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
1	6120 - Lowland Cedar	High Density Log	13.6	140		Former SCA P.O.G Cedar with associated species.
2	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	19.0	99		Island of hardwood in cedar swamp. Potential Type 2 old growth. Previous inventory comments and data: Upland area where fir has died out. Big hardwood is poor timber quality. Big cedar on uplands 16-20" dbh. Good potential on sugar maple poles. Some larger sugar, red maple and basswood 18-20" dbh. 90 ba avg.
3	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	17.4	13		2-3" A3 30-40' tall. Cut in 2001 by Mark Johnson under contract # 026-96-01.
4	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	140.2	99	111-140	Good quality hardwood stand. Concerned with the ironwood regen. There is some older sugar maple saplings among the ironwood but no new recruitment. Scattered wp south central. Last cut 1997-2000 under contract # 026-96-01.
5	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	25.8	99	81-110	NW ridge, Good quality hardwoods in in 1978 and again in 2007 contract #13-06-01. Ironwood heavy 4' tall in gaps. Dense sugar maple seedlings but only knee height.
7	6120 - Lowland Cedar	Medium Density Pole	5.3	114		Island of cedar, yb, ash, and hemlock in a large M9 stand.
8	4130 - Aspen	High Density Log	29.3	49		Nice 4-5 stick aspen on fairly steep hillside. Mixed with bigtooth, white birch, and wp (primarily on west side).
9	4130 - Aspen	Medium Density Pole	6.7	32		Nice young 3 stick aspen.
10	6118 - Lowland Deciduous with Cedar	Medium Density Log	19.3	140		Large cedar with associated species. Several of the cedar were measured over 20" dbh. Very wet. Possible type 2 old growth.
12	6120 - Lowland Cedar	High Density Pole	13.1	114		Nice cedar, well stocked. Some black spruce areas.
13	4130 - Aspen	High Density Pole	7.9	32		Health young 3 stick almost pure aspen.
14	6120 - Lowland Cedar	High Density Pole	292.6	160		Part of a large cedar stand spaning several compartments- variable stocking levels 80-130 ba, Some areas contain a higher percentage of black spruce.
15	6120 - Lowland Cedar	Medium Density Pole	11.5	94		a mix of cedar and E type.
16	4130 - Aspen	High Density Pole	47.8	32		Almost pure aspen, upland with some wetter areas. Bigtooth in patches.
17	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	9.2	99	81-110	Good quality hardwood stand. Manage with larger stand in compt 63.

s t	Gwinn Mgt. Unit			Report 8	– Forested	Stands Compartment: 062 Year of Entry: 2016
a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
18	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	247.9	98	111-140	Unevenaged except missing saplings. High site quality. Pockets of good w. ash regen in moister locations. Last cut in 2000 by Marv Nelson # 27-99-01.
19	6122 - Black Spruce	Medium Density	30.0	78		SCA former P.O.G. also riparian stream corridor. OIPC comments: S4S3 2-4" avg dbh. Some 2-3 stick 5' poles but overall 3" average. Well stocked except cedar edge ecotone is poorly stocked.
20	6117 - Lowland Deciduous, Mixed Coniferous	Medium Density	18.3	15		Mostly balm with fir and a few aspen clones. Some sparse areas.
23	6122 - Black Spruce	High Density Pole	41.2	88		Comments from OIPCA mix of thick S6 and S3. Some S5 areas with dead trees and 3" regeneration. Average size is 3-4 stick.
24	6111 - Lowland Balsam Poplar	Medium Density	31.5	19		Low, wet in places. Former P.O.G Riparian
25	6120 - Lowland Cedar	High Density Pole	109.5	160		Part of a large cedar stand spaning several compartments- variable stocking levels 80-130 ba, Some areas contain a higher percentage of black spruce.
26	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	38.0	19		Well stocked A3.
27	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	19.6	99	81-110	Cut by Minerick # 12-06-01. Excellent sugar maple and w. ash regeneration, especially the east half. Good quality sawlog stand.
28	4130 - Aspen	High Density Pole	5.1	31		90 ba 4 stick aspen over sugar maple saps. Healthy, will easily hold 10 years.
31	6120 - Lowland Cedar	High Density Pole	9.7	160		Deer yard. Part of a large cedar stand spaning several compartments-variable stocking levels 80-130 ba, Some areas contain a higher percentage of black spruce.
33	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	47.5	98	81-110	Cut in 2002 by Sanville # 028-96-01. Poor regen except for good w. ash in places.
34	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Medium Density Log	18.5	59		Cloney aspen on steep ridges and flats. Hardwoods on ridge tops. Dense hazel in places. Allow aspen to convert to hardwoods on unnavigable slopes. Spruce budworm on north side spruce/fir.
35	4130 - Aspen	High Density Pole	19.6	24		Nice 2-3 stick poles and saps over white ash saps. Stand is transition to a pole stand with approximately 50% poletimber.
37	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	29.3	4		Cut summer of 2009 by Minerick #011-06-01.

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
38	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Log	4.8	99	51-80	Thinned under contract #009-10-1 "Ross Creek Hardwoods" fall, 2013. Good quality hardwoods.
39	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	27.5	24		Well stocked A3.
41	6120 - Lowland Cedar	High Density Pole	38.4	94		Mostly cedar with associated swamp conifers. SCA Deer yard.
45	6139 - Mixed Lowland Forest	Medium Density Pole	60.3	84		A mix of swamp conifers and black ash with beaver killed timber over tag alder and ash.
46	4130 - Aspen	Medium Density Pole	30.3	33		Almost pure 3-5 stick aspen. Smaller dbh's in places. 40-100 ba. Stand is breaking up. Drought stress?
47	6120 - Lowland Cedar	High Density Pole	20.3	160		Part of a large cedar stand spaning several compartments- variable stocking levels 80-130 ba, Some areas contain a higher percentage of black spruce.
48	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Pole	8.0	98	51-80	Cut in 2013-14 by Minerick (Brian Ericson) # 009-10-01 with the adjacent cmpt.
52	4130 - Aspen	Medium Density Pole	36.5	46		5 stick aspen with spruce/fir. Final harvest no retention.
53	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	High Density Pole	22.9	99	111-140	No sugar maple regeneration, carpet of sedge. Heavier ba north of the road.
54	4130 - Aspen	Medium Density Pole	62.9	36		Almost pure 3-4 stick aspen 50-90 ba average about 70 ba. The stand is breaking up, about 1/4 to 1/3 of the stand is dead and down. A few basswood clumps from stump sprouts. Illegal blind in the opening.

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Cover Type	Acres	Managed Site	Management Priority (Objective)	General Comments:
310 - Herbaceous Openland	2.8	No	Unspecified	
6229 - Mixed lowland shrub	12.2	No	Unspecified	
50 - Water	2.4	No	Unspecified	Small pond.
3102 - Grass	1.2	No	Unspecified	
3105 - Mixed Upland Herbaceous	10.6	No	Unspecified	Grass opening with aspen clones and scattered white spruce.
310 - Herbaceous Openland	5.5	No	Unspecified	Grass opening with scattered aspen.
6220 - Alder/willow	1.7	No	Unspecified	
310 - Herbaceous Openland	1.7	No	Unspecified	
622 - Lowland Shrub	7.5	No	Unspecified	
3105 - Mixed Upland Herbaceous	1.2	No	Unspecified	
310 - Herbaceous Openland	3.1	No	Unspecified	
710 - Sand, Soil	0.8	No	Unspecified	Gravel pit.
6220 - Alder/willow	30.3	No	Unspecified	From OIPC Lowland brush mostly alder along Ross Grade and stream. Older beaver activity. Scattered small tamarack
622 - Lowland Shrub	8.3	No	Unspecified	
3102 - Grass	1.4	No	Unspecified	Grass opening, filling in.
310 - Herbaceous Openland	1.0	No	Unspecified	grass opening
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