

Compartment Review Presentation

Grayling Forest Management Unit

Compartment 298
Entry Year 2015
Acreage: 3,010

County Crawford

Management Area: Ausable Outwash

Revision Date: 07/22/2013

Stand Examiner: Patrick Mohney

Legal Description:

T25N R02W Sections 1, 11, 12, 14 T25N R01W Sections 30, 31

Identified Planning Goals:

The emphasis of management shall be on retaining and enhancing the natural beauty and biological diversity of the area, and enhancing wildlife habitat for both hunting and wildlife observation purposes while maintaining forest health, productivity, sustainability, species and structural diversity while accounting for visual management and multiple uses. Much of this property was received from the U.S.D.A. Forest Service with four covenants of restriction. Three areas are affected by the restrictions.

Soil and topography:

Soil types within this compartment consist mostly of Grayling, and Graycalm sand, with some Kellogg and Wakeley muck along Thayer creek. Topography is gently rolling with a few ridges.

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

This compartment consists of solid state ownership. It is bounded on the east and south primarily by state land within the Mason Tract, a special management area. It is bounded on the west by state, U.S.D.A. Forest Service land and private land holdings. The north boundary interfaces with private land. Much of the private interface is still currently used as seasonal residences or hunting land. Most private interface on the compartment boundaries in dominated by three private landowners, one of which is Forest Dunes Golf and Country Club (originally known as South Branch Ranch). Forest Dunes Golf and Country Club, has since reorganized and reopened with less acreage. Currently a portion of the original tract is for sale by BankOne. This property is only exposed to the compartment boundaries in a very small area, and has a very jagged boundary line. Obtaining these acres would be of little benefit to the State in its current condition. Much of the compartment property was received in 1985 from the U.S.D.A Forest Service with four covenants restriction.

- 1. Any use and/or change, which may affect the archaeological research value and/or historical features of any of the described properties in Sections 1 and 12, including but not limited to such activities as timber cutting, road building or improvement, running of mechanize equipment over the property other than on existing roadways, use of metal detectors, and brush removal, is prohibited without prior review and approval of the Michigan State Historic Preservation Officer.
- 2. In the event of a violation of the above restrictions, the United States or other entity may institute a suit of enjoin such violation, a suit for damages by reason of any breach thereof, or both.
- 3. The above restrictions shall be binding on the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, its successors or assigns, in perpetuity, but the Michigan State Historic Preservation Officer may, for good cause, modify or cancel any or all of the foregoing restrictions upon written application the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, it successors or assigns. Such modification or cancellation will take into account the exact nature and extent of the proposed construction or other activities and results of any future evaluations of the property's historic and archaeological significance made in accordance with the procedures set forth in Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 800. If the keeper of the National Register determines that any of the above described property is not eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places, the Michigan State Historic Preservation Officer shall deliver to the Michigan Department of natural Resources, its successor or assigns, an appropriate document in recordable form releasing any such property from the conditions, restrictions, and limitations set forth herein.
- 4. The acceptance of the delivery of this deed or patent shall constitute conclusive evidence of the agreement of the Michigan department of Natural Resources, its successors or assigns, to be bound by these condition, restriction, and limitations, and to perform the obligation herein set forth.

Unique Natural Features:

Thayer Creek, a tributary of the South Branch of the AuSable River, is a designated natural river and trout stream.

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

There are known concerns within the compartment. All proposed management activities have taken these concerns into consideration.

Special Management Designations or Considerations:

Much of this property was received from the U.S.D.A. Forest Service with four covenants of restriction. Also, stand 131, which is a well stocked white pine sawtimber stand next to a swampy area, interfaces with good wildlife habitat and is visually pleasing.

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

This compartment contains Thayer Creek, a tributary to the South Branch of the AuSable River, a designated natural river and trout stream. Thayer Creek offers limited fisheries potential, but does affect the AuSable. Currently, much of Thayer Creek has been dammed by beavers and has active beaver lodges.

Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

The southern portion of the compartment offers excellent wildlife habitat. There is a diverse type of cover and age classes near Thayer Creek, which offer food and cover for a variety of wildlife. Many deer were sighted in the compartment, as well as multiple signs of bear, badger, fox, woodcock, coyotes, beaver, rabbits, and songbirds. Much of the southern part of the compartment is winter deeryard. The compartment does contain a one acre maintained wildlife opening.

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

Surface sediments consist of ice-contact and glacial outwash sand and gravel and postglacial alluvium. Glacial drift thickness varies between 200 and 600 feet. Beneath the glacial drift is the Michigan Formation, which is quarried for gypsum elsewhere in the State. Gravel pits are located in the area and its potential should be good on the upland areas. This area has been sparsely drilled. The nearest production is Hickeys Creek Field, located two miles to the southeast, producing oil from the Richfield and gas from the Prairie du Chien. Oil and gas leases are located just to the east of the Compartment.

Vehicle Access:

Access to most of the compartment is easily obtained from county roads M-72 and South Branch Ranch Road. A series of trail roads make most of the compartment seasonally accessible by a four-wheel drive vehicle. No existing roads need to be closed at this time. All new roads created through management activities are to be closed upon completion.

Survey Needs:

Potential needs for suveys exist.

Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:

The compartment receives heavy dispersed recreational use, partly because it is adjacent to one entrance point for the well-known "Mason Tract". One primary use of the area is hunting, due to the excellent wildlife habitat in the vicinity. The Michigan Riding and Hiking trail runs through a portion of the compartment. The compartment is also adjacent to Canoe Harbor Campground and receives use from campers and canoeists using the nearby AuSable River.

Fire Protection:

Current road system is adequate, and no timber conversion is needed.

Additional Compartment Information:

Due to the compartment's proximity to the Canoe Harbor Campground, and its high recreational potential, they are many opportunities for educational and visual management.

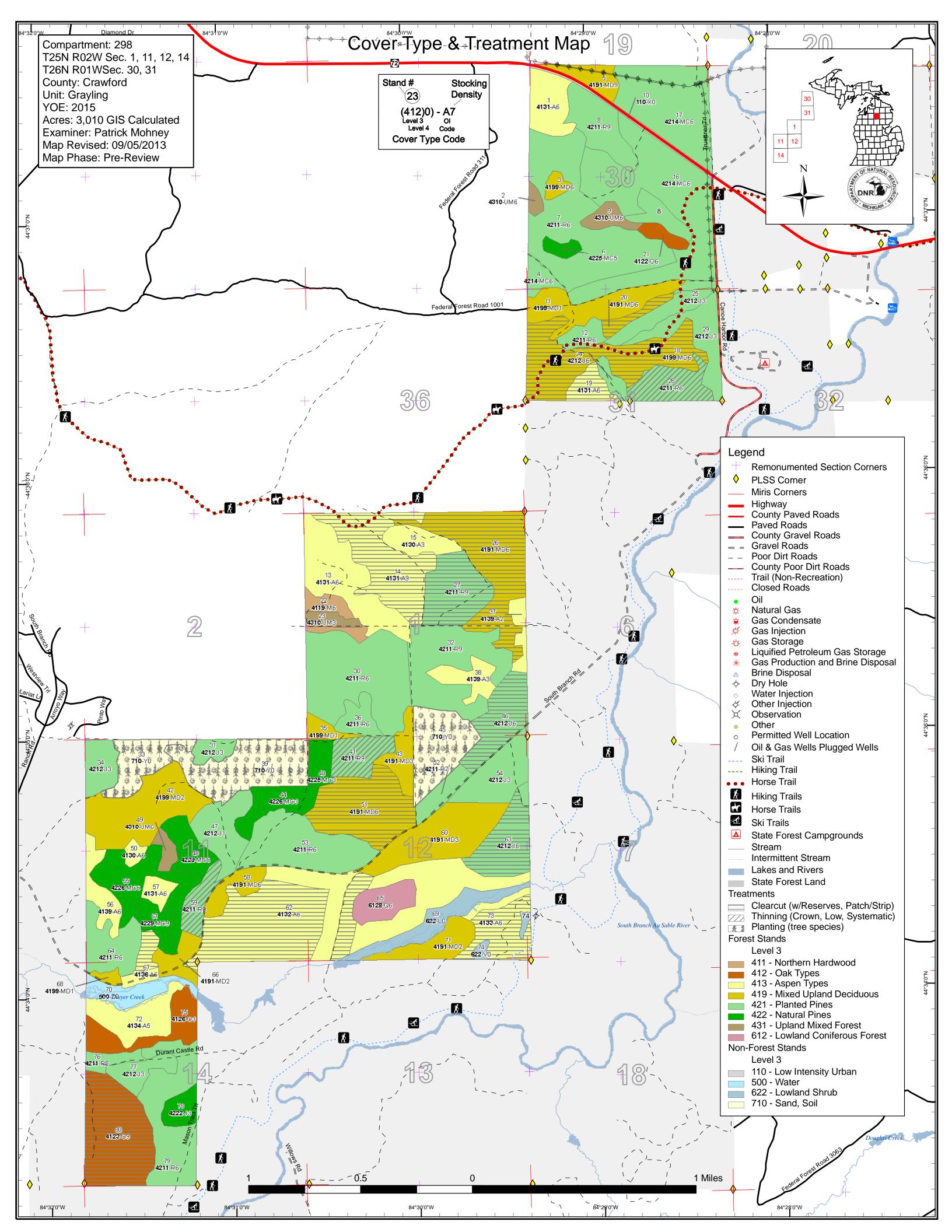
The following reports from the Inventory are attached:

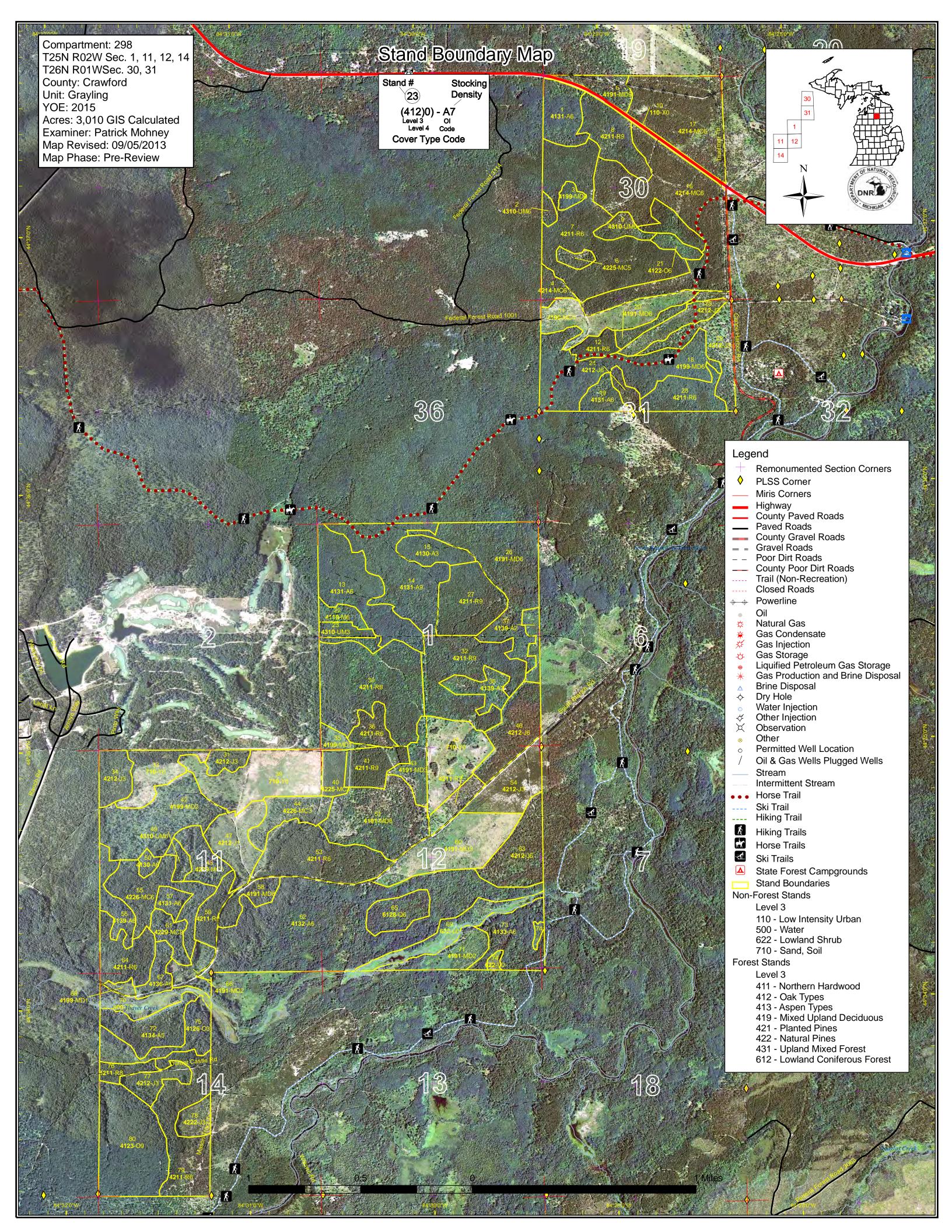
Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class
Cover Type by Harvest Method
Proposed Treatments – No Limiting Factors
Proposed Treatments – With Limiting Factors
Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested)
Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas
Site Condition Details

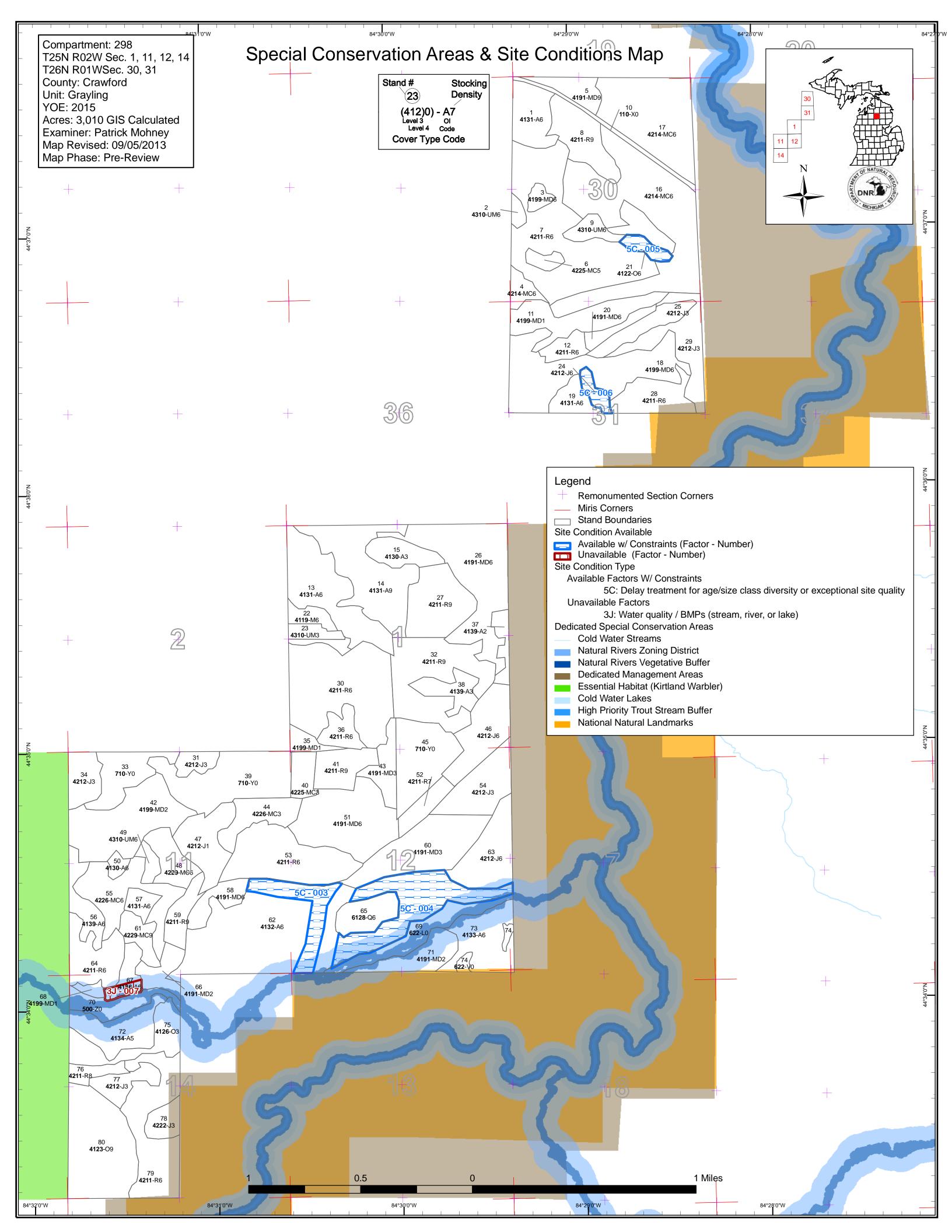
The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:

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

Details on the road access system







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Grayling Mgt. Unit



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Aspen	0	30	0	89	388	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	599	ĺ
Bog	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	
Jack Pine	79	126	0	0	87	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300	
Lowland Conifers	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	
Lowland Shrub	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	
Mixed Upland Deciduous	219	20	27	18	6	0	0	17	260	0	10	0	0	0	577	
Natural Mixed Pines	0	14	27	23	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	138	
Northern Hardwood	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	
Oak	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	85	0	0	0	127	
Planted Mixed Pines	0	0	0	0	233	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	243	
Red Pine	0	0	0	0	541	70	99	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	725	
Sand, Soil	157	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	157	
Upland Mixed Forest	0	9	0	0	0	5	8	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	33	
Urban	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	
Water	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	
Total	526	232	55	170	1313	185	107	32	281	0	95	0	15	0	3010	



Report 2 – Proposed Treatment Summaries

Grayling Mgt. Unit Year of Entry 2015

Compartment 298 **Total Compartment Acres: 3,010**

Acres by Treatment Type

Commercial Harvest - 829 Tree Planting - 157 Other - 0

Habitat Cut - 0

Opening Maintenance - 0

		Cover Type by Harvest Method										
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spen Types		264	0	0	0	0	0	264				
lixed Upland Deciduous		270	0	0	0	0	0	270				
ak Types		85	0	0	0	0	0	85				
lanted Pines		134	0	0	0	75	0	209				
	Total	753	0	0	0	75	0	829				

Compartment: 298 Grayling Mgt. Unit Report 3 -- Treatments Prescribed Year of Entry 2015 with No Limiting Factor s t а **Treatment** Acres CoverType Size BA **Treatment Treatment Cover Type** Stand Approval n Method Objective d Name Density Age Range Type **Status** High 72298014-Cut 78.1 55 81-110 Clearcut with 4121 - Oak, Aspen Cmpt. Review 14 4131 - Aspen, Oak Harvest Density Log Reserves Proposal Prescription Sale was set up before and never cut. Final harvest stand, use islands for retention, focus retention along forest dunes border for visual. Also be sure to protect shore to shore horse trail. Leave 5-10 large canopy oaks for mast production. Use Drumming Log Spec. Specs:

Other Comments:

Acceptable regen is oak and aspen.

Next Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2014 Start Date:

90.7 4199 - Other Mixed High 83 81-110 4121 - Oak, Aspen Cmpt. Review 18 72298018-Cut Harvest Clearcut with **Upland Deciduous** Density Reserves Proposal

Pole

Prescription Final harvest stand, leave retention in islands so that the shore to shore horse trail will be protected. add trail protection spec to sale. Use

Specs: drumming log spec.

Other Comments:

<u>Next</u> Acceptable regen is oak, aspen, maple.

Steps:

<u>Proposed</u>

Start Date: 10/01/2014

72298019-Cut 4131 - Aspen, Oak High 42 Harvest Clearcut 4131 - Aspen, Oak Cmpt. Review 19 Proposal Density

Pole

Prescription Final harvest stand. Leave no retention to maximize regeneration in the stand. Use Drumming log spec.

Specs:

Other |

Comments:

<u>Next</u> Acceptable regeneration is aspen and oak.

Steps:

<u>Proposed</u>

10/01/2014 Start Date:

20 72298020-Cut 9.7 4191 - Mixed High 100 81-110 Harvest Clearcut 4121 - Oak, Aspen Cmpt. Review **Upland Deciduous** Density Proposal

> with Conifer Pole

Prescription Final harvest stand. Leave no retention to maximize regeneration in small stand. Use Drumming Log Spec.

Specs:

Other Comments:

Next Acceptable regeneration is oak, aspen and maple.

Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2014 Start Date:

Report 3 -- Treatments Prescribed with No Limiting Factor

Compartment: 298 Year of Entry 2015

a n d	Treatment Name	Acres	CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Approval Status
26	72298026-Cut	93.3	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Pole	89	111-140	Harvest	Clearcut with Reserves	4121 - Oak, Aspen	Cmpt. Review Proposal

Prescription Final harvest stand. Let regenerate naturally. Place retention around old foundations by using islands. Use Drumming Log spec.

Specs:

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Other Comments:

<u>Next</u> Acceptable regeneration is oak, pine, aspen, maple

Steps:

Proposed

Start Date: 10/01/2014

72298027-Cut 49.2 42110 - Planted High 111-140 Harvest Clearcut Cmpt. Review Red Pine Proposal **Density Log**

Prescription Final harvest stand. Leave no retention to help with site prep. Trench and plant to jack pine.

Specs:

Other_

Comments:

Trench and plant to jack pine. <u>Next</u>

Steps:

Proposed

Start Date: 10/01/2014

72298028-Cut 31.7 42111 - Planted High 111-140 Harvest Crown Thinning Cmpt. Review 28 Proposal Red Pine, Mixed Density

Deciduous Pole

Prescription Mark to thin red pine to 80-90 BA. Stand was underplanted so the rows are very difficult to distinguish. Remove all oak.

Specs:

<u>Other</u>

Comments:

<u>Next</u>

Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2014 Start Date:

42110 - Planted Cmpt. Review 72298041-Cut 25.9 High 54 111-140 Harvest Crown Thinning Red Pine **Density Log** Proposal

Prescription Thin red pine to 80-90 BA. Remove oak as well from the stand. Good regen in the understory, should be a nice mixed stand in the future.

Specs:

<u>Other</u> Comments:

<u>Next</u> Steps:

Proposed

Start Date: 10/01/2014

Report 3 -- Treatments Prescribed

Compartment: 298 Year of Entry 2015

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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
46	72298046-Cut	42.8	42120 - Planted Jack Pine	High Density Pole	49	81-110	Harvest	Clearcut		Cmpt. Review Proposal
Pres Spec			. Focus any retention lanting operations.	in islands a	along the	edge of th	e stand to help w	ith visual along the	e road and so that it wil	I not impede
Othe Com	e <u>r</u> ments:									
<u>Next</u> Step		and plant to	Jack Pine.							
Propo Start		14								
51	72298051-Cut	76.3	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Pole	89	1-50	Harvest	Clearcut with Reserves	4121 - Oak, Aspen	Cmpt. Review Proposal
Pres Spec			. Focus retention in is may come across.	slands alono	g south b	ranch road	l and for visual co	ncerns. Leave ar	y large diameter (>16")	dbh red and
Othe	<u>r</u>									

Comments: <u>Next</u> Steps:

Let stand naturally regenerate. If it fails, trench and plant to jack pine. Acceptable natural regen is oak, aspen, maple, pine.

Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2014

72298059-Cut 17.7 42110 - Planted High 68 111-140 Harvest Crown Thinning Cmpt. Review 59 Red Pine **Density Log** Proposal

Prescription Thin red pine down to 80-90 BA. Remove oak at the same time.

<u>Other</u>

Comments:

<u>Next</u> Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2014 Start Date:

Cmpt. Review 62 72298062-Cut 107.8 4132 - Aspen, Jack High 48 51-80 Harvest Clearcut with Pine Density Reserves Proposal Pole

Prescription Final harvest stand west of mason tract trail. Leave retention along south branch road and mason tract trail for visual in the form of a buffer approximately 100 yards wide the entire way. Cut a strip along east side of Mason Tract trail approximately 100 yards wide the full length of the Specs: stand. This will provide visual buffers from the sale, and in ten years when the rest of the stand is cut, the 10 year old regen will provide a visual buffer for the second phase of the sale. Use appropriate buffers for Thayer Creek. Let stand regenerate to aspen. Use Drumming Log Spec.

Other_ Comments: Aspen, oak, pine is acceptable natural regeneration.

<u>Next</u> Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2014 Start Date:

Report 3 -- Treatments Prescribed with No Limiting Factor

Compartment: 298 Year of Entry 2015

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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
62	72298062- Cut_small_sm all	17.6	4132 - Aspen, Jack Pine	High Density Pole	48	51-80	Harvest	Clearcut with Reserves		Cmpt. Review Proposal

Specs:

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Prescription Final harvest stand west of mason tract trail. Leave retention along south branch road and mason tract trail for visual in the form of a buffer approximately 100 yards wide the entire way. Cut a strip along east side of Mason Tract trail approximately 100 yards wide the full length of the stand. This will provide visual buffers from the sale, and in ten years when the rest of the stand is cut, the 10 year old regen will provide a visual buffer for the second phase of the sale. Use appropriate buffers for Thayer Creek. Let stand regenerate to aspen. Use Drumming Log Spec.

Other_

Aspen, oak, pine is acceptable natural regeneration.

Comments:

Next Steps:

<u>Proposed</u>

Start Date: 10/01/2014

72298063-Cut 41.9 42120 - Planted 47 Harvest Clearcut with 4122 - Oak, Pine Cmpt. Review High Jack Pine Reserves Proposal Density Pole

Prescription Final harvest stand. Use retention in the form of a single island off to one side along the boundary line so that it will not impede trenching and planting or site prep efforts in the event of failed natural regeneration. Let stand regenerate naturally. Specs:

Other Property Comments:

Acceptable regeneration is oak, jack pine, white pine. If natural regen fails, trench and plant to jack pine. Next

Steps:

<u>Proposed</u>

Start Date: 10/01/2014

4131 - Aspen, Oak Cmpt. Review 72298067-Cut 88 4136 - Aspen, High 54 Harvest Clearcut with 67 Mixed Conifer Density Reserves Proposal Pole

Prescription Final harvest stand. Focus retention along Thayer Creek area to achieve appropriate setback. Let regenerate naturally. Use Drumming Log

Specs:

Other

Comments:

Acceptable regeneration is aspen, oak.

Next Steps:

Proposed

10/01/2014 Start Date:

37.2 141-170 4133 - Aspen, Cmpt. Review 73 72298073-Cut 4133 - Aspen, High Harvest Clearcut with Mixed Pine Density Reserves Mixed Pine Proposal

Pole

Prescription Final harvest stand. Let regenerate naturally. Place retention in islands for visual management and to protect the bogs within the stand. Leave Specs:

red and white pine over 16" dbh. Use Drumming Log Spec.

<u>Other</u> Acceptable regeneration is aspen, oak, pine mix.

Comments:

<u>Next</u> Steps:

<u>Proposed</u>

Start Date: 10/01/2014

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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
80	72298080-Cut	84.9	4123 - Red Oak	High Density Loc	104	51-80	Harvest	Clearcut with Reserves		Cmpt. Review Proposal

Prescription Final harvest stand. Mark 1-2 large oak per acre for mast. Leave red pine. There are lots of large diameter large canopy oak, so a chipping

spec would be beneficial. Let regenerate naturally. Specs:

Other Comments:

Acceptable regeneration would be oak and mixed pine. If natural regeneration fails, trench and plant to Red pine. Next

Steps:

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Proposed

10/01/2014 Start Date:

Tree Planting Cmpt. Review NF_72298033-32.5 710 - Sand, Soil Machine Plant 33 **Plant** Proposal

Prescription Specs:

<u>Other</u> Comments:

Regen survey at year 1, release herbicide if needed. Next

Steps:

Proposed Unspecified Start Date:

NF_72298039-39 72.0 710 - Sand, Soil Tree Planting Machine Plant Cmpt. Review **Plant** Proposal

Prescription Specs:

<u>Other</u>

Comments:

Next Regen survey, release herbicide if needed.

Steps:

Proposed

Start Date: Unspecified

NF_72298045-Tree Planting 45 52.2 710 - Sand, Soil Machine Plant Cmpt. Review Proposal

Plant

Prescription

Specs: Other

Comments:

Next Regen survey, Release herbicide if needed.

Steps:

Proposed

Start Date: Unspecified

Total Treatment

985.2 Acreage Proposed:

Grayling Mgt. Unit Report 4 -- Treatments Prescribed with Compartment: 298 a Limiting Factor s Year of Entry 2015 t **Treatment** Acres CoverType Size Stand ВА **Treatment Treatment Cover Type Approval** n Method Objective Status Name Density Age Range Type #Type! #Type! **Prescription** Specs: Other Comment: **Next** Steps: Proposed

Total Treatment

Start Date: # Limiting Factor

#Type!

Acreage Proposed: 0.0

Report 5 – Site Conditions

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Availability for Management Total Acres Acres Dominant Site Conditions Acres Available No 5C 3J 598 593 6 Aspen 493 100 6 300 300 Jack Pine 291 8

598	593	6	Aspen	493	100	6
300	300		Jack Pine	291	8	
24	24		Lowland Conifers	24	0	
576	576		Mixed Upland Deciduous	576	0	
138	138		Natural Mixed Pines	138		
16	16		Northern Hardwood	16		
127	127		Oak	119	9	
243	243		Planted Mixed Pines	243		
725	725		Red Pine	725	0	
33	33		Upland Mixed Forest	33		
2,781	2,775	6	Total Forested Acres	2,657	118	6
	100%	0%	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.

•	Dominant Site ond Availability	Dominant Site Condition	Acres	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition
003	Available	5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality	33				
_	omments: ildlife chose to del	lay treatment due to break up	large sta	nd area being so close to	the Mason Tract.		
004	Available	5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality	70				

Report 5 – Site Conditions

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005	Available	5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality	9
C	comments:		
006	Available	5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality	8
	comments: xaminer Approved	d 1/7/2013	
007	Not Available	3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	6
C	comments:		

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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 - 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.

Conservat Area	ion Type	Description	ERA = Ecological Reference Area HCVA = High Conservation Value Area SCA = Special Conservation Area
SCA	Archaeological Site	An aquatic or terrestrial area of the State that contains ph sites of cultural and historical significance that may occur bottomlands. They include thousands of Native American and British outposts, nineteenth century logging camps, the Great Lakes, there are shipwrecks and other remains be identified by Natural heritage data from the State Histothis compartment will be implemented in such a manner at the sensitive nature of this information, no further detail all	upon terrestrial areas and Great Lakes settlements and burial sites, as well as French mines and homesteads. Beneath the waters of documenting the maritime trade. Such sites may bric Preservation Office. Proposed treatments in as to maintain the integrity of these sites. Due to
SCA	Cold Water Lake	A coldwater lake has temperature and dissolved oxygen of stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fis conditions for coldwater fishes may occur in Michigan lake groundwater inflows, or are located in colder (northern) are Director's action and designated as trout resources by Fisher	h species to persist from year to year. Suitable es if they are relatively deep, have substantial reas of the state. Such lakes are established by
SCA	Cold Water Stream	A coldwater stream has temperature and dissolved oxyge stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fis year to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically procontributions of groundwater to their stream flows. Such s designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 210.	h species (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from ride these conditions due to substantial
SCA	Non-Dedicated Natural Areas and National Natural Landmarks	This category is comprised of those Natural, Wilderness a proposed for legal dedication, but for which legal dedication nomination process is defined by Part 351, Wilderness ar Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451. The program require the submittal of a Natural Areas Nomination Pack proposed sites in various stages of review. Final dedication Areas is accomplished through legislative action.	on by legislature has not occurred. The nd Natural Areas, of the Natural Resources and is administered by the DNR. Nominations et to the DNR. This is an active program, with
SCA	Riparian Area	A transitional area between aquatic and terrestrial ecosys influences the aquatic ecosystem and vice-versa. Becaus streams and open water wetlands, riparian areas harbor a communities are ecologically and socially significant in the as aesthetics, habitat, bank stability, timber production, and	e of the unique conditions adjacent to lakes, a high diversity of plants and wildlife. Riparian eir effects on water quality and quantity, as well
HCVA	Dedicated Management Areas	Such areas are dedicated by the DNR Director for specific rules, as governed by Part 5, Department of Natural Resc 324.504). Section 38 of the Administrative Procedures Act the promulgation of rules. This is an active program, with DNR.	ources, of the NREPA (MCL 324.502(2) and at (MCL 24.238) provides for public requests for
HCVA	Designated Critical Habitat	Critical habitat areas are established via a consultative ar U.S. Fish and Wildlife service for the recovery of threaten 365, Endangered Species Protection, of the Natural Resc PA 451, and the Federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 species plans in various stages of review. As of now only Plover Habitat.	ed and endangered species, as governed by Part burces and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 3. This is an active program, with proposed
HCVA	Legally dedicated Natural Areas, Wilderness or Wild Areas	The nomination process is defined by Part 351, Wildernes and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451. The progrequire the submittal of a Natural Areas Nomination Pack proposed sites in various stages of review. Final dedication Areas is accomplished through legislative action.	gram is administered by the DNR. Nominations et to the DNR. This is an active program, with
HCVA	Natural Rivers	There are two Natural Rivers datasets which are derived approved distance from the river centerlines. The Natura most Natural Rivers. The Vegetative Buffer ranges from and Vegetative Buffers for each Natural River see the tab folder.	I Rivers Zoning District is a 400 foot buffer for 25 to 100 feet. To view specific Zoning Districts

S	Grayling	Grayling Mgt. Unit			– Forested	Stands Compartment: 298 Year of Entry: 2015
t a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
1	4131 - Aspen, Oak	High Density Pole	30.7	47		PARVVB. stand was cut in 1965 per previous OI. Large RP XLog in stand. Nice looking oak. Mixed size classes for all species. Stand is dominated by big tooth aspen. Not much for ground cover. Some bracken fern and wintergreen.
2	4310 - Pine, Oak Mix	High Density Pole	4.7	52	81-110	PVCD/PARVHA. Small jack pine plantation with good mixture of oak species intermixed. Pocketed stand within large red pine plantation. JP is not in great condition. Ground cover is blueberry, moss, bracken.
3	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	High Density Pole	6.2	48	51-80	PVCD/PARVHA Srand is borderline sapling/pole sized. could go either way. Few super canopy oak about 20 ba scattered throughout stand. small component of BT aspen. Pocket inside red pine stand. Groundcover blue berry and moss.
4	42141 - Planted Mixed Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	10.1	59	51-80	PVCD/PARVHA. Similar to stand 21. Just a tad smaller in dbh. Planting rows are not very well defined.
5	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Log	17.0	76	51-80	PVCD/PARVHA. Small stand of oak, maple and aspen. with mixed conifer. Low end of canopy closure. Would treat stand when stand 4 is treated.
6	42250 - Pine, Oak	Medium Density Pole	7.0	48	1-50	More open grown stand. not planted. Could have been an old landing or something from previous harvest. Stand would be treated with stand 21. Narrow road down center of stand. Blue berry ground cover.
7	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Pole	131.0	48	141-170	PVCD/PARVHA. Red Pine stand with some oak in understory and minor component of stand. Jack pine is also mixed in with RP. Stand has not been row thinned. Planting is erratic and not very intuitive.
8	42111 - Planted Red Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Log	54.1	48	51-80	PVCD/PARVHA. This was originally an oak stand, it was underplanted with red pine in 1965. All seems to be growing well at this point.
9	4310 - Pine, Oak Mix	High Density Pole	11.8	89	81-110	A very mixed stand. slopes were not planted.
11	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Low Density Sapling	46.7	6		PVCD/PARVHA. Stand was cut in 2007 Canoe harbor jack (720370501). Majority of stems are oak regen. However most of oak regen was hit pretty hard by frost, not much leaf out. Stand is about 50% canopy coverage, some areas have 0 coverage. Pretty good natural regen for jack pine, seedling stage.
12	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Pole	12.2	52	141-170	PVCD/PARVHA. Horse trail is along south side of stand. Previous inventory only states that its at 70 BA. Current inventory records much higher BA in stand.
13	4131 - Aspen, Oak	High Density Pole	68.4	35		PVCD/PARVVB. Regenerating pole sized stand. Bordering forest dunes golf course. Numerous No Trespassing signs were posted on state land. They have been removed. Stand seems to be healthy and growing well.

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14	4131 - Aspen, Oak	High Density Log	78.1	55	81-110	PVCD/PARVHA. Stand was prescribed, set up and sold (sale#720310501 "Forest Dunes Shelterwood"). Sale was never cut and has been turned back in. Primarily aspen and oak. Some areas do not have much for aspen and more oak in them. Aspen is starting to break down in places. Oak is fair to good quality. Shore to shore horse trail passes thrgouh stand.
15	4130 - Aspen	High Density Sapling	20.7	37		PVCD. Young aspen stand with oak and red maple. Red pine left from previous harvest. Borderline sapling/pole stand. Being conservative and calling sapling sized. Stand was final harvested 1976.
16	42140 - Planted Mixed Pine	High Density Pole	145.1	47		PVCD/PARVHA. Per previous OI stand was planted to RP in a haphazard fashion by USFS in 1965. Plantation with various species of pine. Some XLog RP throughout. NW corner is almost all RP with sapling sized RM in the understory.
						Horse trail is in somewhat poor condition. Is approximately 1 foot deep trench, very sandy.
17	42140 - Planted Mixed Pine	High Density Pole	87.7	46	51-80	PVCD/PARVHA. Stand was planted with 2-0 stock in 1965 by USFS. Hills thistle supposedly in the area. Eastern edge is at Truettner Trl and is fairly open. Even mix of JP and RP. As you move to west of stand it is dominated by jack pine with Rp and some oak mixed in. Poor quality for all species.
18	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	High Density Pole	90.7	83	81-110	Mixed stand. Oak and aspen are about the same amount of coverage throughout stand. Oak is uniform, aspen is in clones. Stand was once trenched and planted, but most of the underplanted pine has failed. Shore to shore horse trail passes through the stand.
19	4131 - Aspen, Oak	High Density Pole	14.9	42		PVCD/PARVHA. Per old OI, stand was underplanted to red pine in 1961. Edge of stand is planted to Jack Pine as you move west. Aspen oak stand is about 50 BA oak. Some pockets heavily consisting of oak. Over aspen has greater coverage. Great oak regen in planted jack pine areas.
20	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Pole	9.7	100	81-110	PVCD/PARVHA. Oak with jack pine, maple and aspen. Fairly open understory decent oak regen. Quality of stems poor. Not sure why it wasnt treat with adjacent stands unless.
21	4122 - Oak, Pine	High Density Pole	8.6	87	1-50	PVCD/PARVHA Narrow stand running along side of a slope. Stand was underplanted to RP. Slopes were not planted.
22	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	High Density Pole	15.8	38	1-50	PARVVB. This stand is a multipart polygon. Originally was a stand with a large oak overstory. Over the years it seems to have dropped out of the picture. Now it is mostly red maple and aspen. Seems to be growing well, still some oak in teh stand, very few larger stems, most is same size as the red maple and other species.

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
23	4310 - Pine, Oak Mix	High Density Sapling	9.1	17		PARVVB. I am pretty sure this is a plantation, but the rows are extremely difficult to distinguish due to the very dense regen. I was not able to find any record on it. Oak regen is excellent and keeping right up with everything else. Stand was cut 1995-1997. Jack pine is doing well, again very dense and high stem density. Seems to be growing very well.
24	42121 - Planted Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	8.0	59		PVCD/PARVHA. Jack pine plantation with log sized oak. Approx 30 ba of stand is Oak.
25	42121 - Planted Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	21.3	12		PVCD/PARVHA. planted to 2-0 JP in 5/03 under FTP C72-402. Stand is growing fairly well. has some nice oak and cherry regen.
26	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Pole	93.3	89	111-140	PVCD/PARVHA. This is a mixed stand. Originally was broken out as multiple stands. After field verification, stands were lumped and will all be treated the same. It appears stand was trenched and planted at some point to JP. Fire seems to have frequented the area. Hodge podge stand with pockets of aspen, oak white pine and jack pine. Other areas mixed deciduous and confier. Eastern edge goes back to aspen type. Northern edge is more oak dominated. JP densities vary through stand.
27	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Log	49.2	43	111-140	PVCD. RP plantation with no recent evidence of any type of treatment. Not sure of planting orientation, difficult to determine. Trench furrows are present but not very consistent. Quality is not great. more of a JP site than a RP site.
28	42111 - Planted Red Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	31.7	51	111-140	PVCD/PARVHA. Planted red pine. Was underplanted in 1961. Scattered log sized oak throughout. Doesnt appear to have been thinned yet. Some illegal firewood cutting. Rows are difficult to determine. Where heavy clumps of oak are found, there is no RP planted.
29	42121 - Planted Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	41.4	8		PVCD/PARVHA. Planted jack pine with fair to good advanced oak regen. Oak and jp are growing pretty evenly. some areas oak is overlapping JP.
30	42111 - Planted Red Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	108.2	47	111-140	PARVVB. Originally an oak stand that was underplanted with red pine. Two salvage sales were set up, one in 1996, one in 1998 to remove dead oak from the stand. Stand is primarily now red pine with some oak maple and aspen mixed throughout.
31	42121 - Planted Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	11.0	12		PVCD. 2003: Stand was forrow seeded to jack pine in 2000 FTP #C72-402. Seeding failed and stand was planted to 2-0 JP in May 2003 under C72-402. Stand seems to be growing well, nice mixed stand at this point.
32	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Log	78.5	46	111-140	PARVVB. RP plantation that doesnt appear to have been treated. Rows are difficult to determine. Quality is fair.
34	42121 - Planted Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	21.1	19		PARVVB. Stand was planted in 1996. I am assuming with 2-0 stock. Seems to have good survival and growth. Nice oak regen mixed in with it.

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35	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Low Density Sapling	8.8	6		PARVVB. Final harvest 2007 Metal Wheels Oak TS_720350501. Stand is slowly regenerating, some of the oak has passed the browse line. Heavy browse could be the result of cutting such a small stand.
36	42111 - Planted Red Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	15.9	48	51-80	PVCD/PARVVB. An old oak stand that was underplanted to red pine in the mid 1960's. Red pine is doing well. Decent quality. Starting to prune itself. Still seems to be growing well at this point.
37	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	Medium Density	10.7	17		PARVVB. Previous inventory says that it was scheduled to be planted if natural regen failed. From the aerial it appears as if natural regen is adequate. I will try and get out there and check it out to verify.
38	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	19.1	17		PARVVB. Narrow band of regeneratiing trees. Aspen, oak, RM, few log sized trees. Red pine was left from previous harvest in 1996.
40	42250 - Pine, Oak	High Density Sapling	14.1	17		PARVVB. Stand cut in 1996 South Branch Jack (720379501) Dog hair thick oak regen. Has jack pine coming in underneath. All seems to be growing very well.
41	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Log	25.9	54	111-140	PARVVB. Nice quality red pine. Stand was third row thinned in 1997. Stand responded well but is starting to slow down in growth. Understory is fairly dense in spots.
42	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Medium Density	75.3	6		PARVVB. "Metal Wheels Oak" TS_720350501. Stand has regenerated fairly well. Should be a fully stocked stand. Remaining oak is doing alright.
43	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Sapling	19.7	10		PVCD/PARVVB. Stand was cut in 2003 to manage for oak. Regen is excellent. Stand is extremely thick and difficult to walk through.
44	42260 - Natural Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	27.4	23		PVCD/PARVVB. Stand was cut in 1990. All is natural regen in the stand. Seems to be doing fairly well. Would consider stand fully stocked.
46	42120 - Planted Jack Pine	High Density Pole	42.8	49	81-110	PVCD. Jack pine is starting to develop areas of mortality. Each plot that I took had at least 1 or 2 dead trees in it. Most trees are 4-5 sticks tall, not very large diameter, but merchantable. Growth rings are extremely tight, its time to take it.
47	42121 - Planted Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	Low Density Sapling	37.7	6		PVCD/PARVVB. Harvested under contract #720230501, FTP#C72-610 to plant to Jack Pine. Regen survey was done this year. Stand seems to be doing well, decent jack pine survival.
48	42290 - Natural Mixed Pine	High Density Pole	22.8	37	51-80	PARVVB. Nice mixed pine stand. Most is just entering pole class. Oak is poor quality. There is a little bit of a low piece of soil toward the northern part of the stand.

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49	4310 - Pine, Oak Mix	High Density Pole	7.6	61	81-110	PARVVB. Lots of multi stemmed red maple which ran up the BA measurements. Quality is decent. most is all in pole class. Some larger red and white pine mixed throughout. Understory is mixed but fairly sparse.
50	4130 - Aspen	High Density Pole	5.0	46	51-80	PARVVB. Small acreage stand. Aspen is good quality, thats why I split it out. Understory is pretty sparse.
51	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Pole	76.3	89	1-50	PVCD/PARVVB. Stand had a small patch (6 Ac.) salvaged in 2003 from tornado damage. Included in this stand just because of how variable the rest of the stand is. Has some patches of dense aspen mixed throughout. Just an all around mixed stand. Oak and aspen is starting to decline in some areas.
52	42110 - Planted Red Pine	Low Density Log	15.3	77	1-50	PARVVB. This is residual BA left from a harvest in the stand to the north for visual along the road. It seems to be doing alright for such low basal area out in the open. Not much has blown down at this point.
53	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Pole	71.1	61	81-110	PVCD. Tornado damage June 2012 salvage cut 7 acres (retention islands left). Sale thinned in 08 TS#72-033-05-01 "South Branch Red" THIRD ROW THIN IN 1997. Nice quality Red Pine.
54	42120 - Planted Jack Pine	High Density Sapling	40.0	16		PVCD. Young jack pine plantation. All is growing well, good survival from planting and lots of natural regen filling in. Final harvested and planted in 1997. Heavy natural regen toward center of stand, mainly where skid trails and landings seemed to be located.
55	42260 - Natural Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	51.1	46	51-80	PARVVB. Potential Legacy trees in Red Pine. Very nice mixed stand. All species seem to be doing well. Size of RP is variable but there are some very large diameter mixed throughout stand. Understory is very sparse. I covered most of the stand except for the very eastern leg.
56	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	20.3	46	51-80	PARVBB/PARVCO. Fair quality aspen stand. Stand is just now entering pole sized. Understory is pretty sparse, not a lot coming in underneath.
57	4131 - Aspen, Oak	High Density Pole	9.4	46	51-80	PARVVB. Stand has lower soils than adjacent but I would still call it upland. Decent quality aspen. Understory is doing well.
58	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Pole	17.9	34	1-50	pvcd/parvvb. Very mixed stand. Extremely dense. Seems to be growing well. Saw lots of wildlife in stand, lots of young fawns.
59	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Log	17.7	68	111-140	PARVVB. Decent quality red pine, very tall but not huge diameter. Dense red maple understory. Responded well to thinning. Was thinned in 1997. Some potential Legacy sized red pine mixed within stand.

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60	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	High Density Sapling	66.4	4		PVCD/PARVVB. Cut in 2009, planted in 2011 FTP C72-610. Regen check was done this year. Stand seems to have good survival from initial inventory. Unable to code as a plantation. Regen check will tell the tale more completely.
61	42290 - Natural Mixed Pine	High Density Log	15.3	128	81-110	PARVHA/PARVVB. Interesting stand. Some very large diameter pine throughout stand. Understory is mostly pole sized. Stand seems to be growing well. Definitely has legacy tree potential.
62	4132 - Aspen, Jack Pine	High Density Pole	225.9	48	51-80	PARVVB. Large acreage stand. Has varying quality aspen throguhout. Stand has some pot hole depressions in places. Jack pine is pretty well distributed throughout stand. Ground is wet in spots, but high and dry in others. Stand is operable, even during wet seasons I think it would be easily operable. Cored aspen to check age and quality, it is solid to the center in several spots through stand. Thayer Creek wetland borders south side of the stand.
63	42120 - Planted Jack Pine	High Density Pole	44.3	47		PVCD/PARVVB. Planted jack pine, stand continues to the east into compartment 300. Mature jack pine with some large oak mixed in.
64	42111 - Planted Red Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	35.1	44	51-80	PARVVB. Looks like this was underplanted in the mid 1960's. Quality is decent throughout stand. Very dense stand. Red pine still has good growth on them. Has not done much self pruning yet. Oak is variable quality. Lots of stems just approaching merchantable size at this point.
65	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Pole	24.4	31		Borderline lowland/upland stand. In wet years it would be wet. Dry years, it would be pretty dry. Very dense stand. Has a fair amount of jack pine. Aspen is fair quality.
66	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Medium Density	17.3	4		PARVVB. Decent oak, pine and aspen regeneration. Pretty dense stand. Tough walking in some spots.
67	4136 - Aspen, Mixed Conifer	High Density Pole	14.4	54		PARVVB. Poor quality aspen stand. Some of it is starting to fall down. Quality varies throughout stand, but all is pretty low quality. South branch road passes through stand.
68	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Low Density Sapling	4.2	7		PARVVB. Harvested under contract #720230501, FTP#C72-610 Jack Pine planted in 2009. Seems to be growing well. Have lost some to mortality. Lots of other species filling in as well so it will be a mixed stand. Regen survey should have been done this year.
71	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Medium Density	27.4	26		PVCD/PARVHA. Nice mixed stand. Oak is growing well and will be a significant stand component.
72	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Medium Density Pole	37.7	45		Tough to get an age on this because its very poor quality. Some of it is starting to fall down. It is barely merchantable.

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
73	4133 - Aspen, Mixed Pine	High Density Pole	43.7	44	141-170	PARVVB. There is a road into this stand, but it is very overgrown. i am guessing it was from previous sale access. Aspen is variable in quality. Declining in some spots, doing well in others. Some very large legacy sized red and white pine scattered throughout stand. NW part of stand has a nice grouping of natural red pine. As you approach thayer creek the stand becomes less dense and eventually fades into some grassy openings.
75	4126 - White, Black, N. Pin Oak	High Density Sapling	33.7	10		Stand has some wet pockets, I am sure it is very wet during a year with considerable rainfall. Excellent oak regeneration, it is doign well despite some browse. A few residual large oak trees left from harvest. All seems to be doing well. I would consider this a fully stocked oak stand if all this regen makes it to maturity.
76	42110 - Planted Red Pine	Medium Density Log	10.4	68	51-80	PVCD/PARVHA. High quality red pine stand. Good oak regen in the understory. Stand is healthy and has responded well to thinning in the past. Thinned in 1992. Could hold another 10 pretty easily.
77	42121 - Planted Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	18.4	13		PVCD/PARVHA. Stand was furrow seeded in 2000. Has filled in very well. Oak is hanging in with the jack pine and will likely be a significiant component of the canopy for the stand. Small aspen clone on east end of stand.
78	42221 - Natural Jack Pine, Mixed Deciduous	High Density Sapling	13.9	17		PVCD/PARVHA. Stand was created by a wildfire in 1996. Natural regen is decent. Stand seems to be growing well.
79	42110 - Planted Red Pine	High Density Pole	68.7	42	51-80	PVCD/PARVHA. Decent quality red pine. Did not make it to the southern most part of the stand, it appears to be less dense according to imagery. Northern most part of the stand has lower quality stems than the rest of the stand. Seems to be growing well. Responded well to 3rd row thin. Thinned in 1997.
80	4123 - Red Oak	High Density Log	84.9	104	51-80	PARVHA/PARVVB. Thinned in 1997. Has decent oak regeneration in the understory. Overstory is very nice quality but getting BIG. Growth has definitely slowed in the oak, but is still very healthy. Legacy sized oak?

Report 9 - Nonforested Stands

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Stand	Cover Type	Acres	Managed Site	Management Priority (Objective)	General Comments:
10	11 - Low Intensity Urban	10.5	Unspecified	Unspecified	
33	710 - Sand, Soil	32.5	Plantation	Red Pine	
39	710 - Sand, Soil	72.0	Plantation	Red Pine	
45	710 - Sand, Soil	52.2	Plantation	Red Pine	Stand was final harvested 2010 South Branch RPP 72-027-08-01. Stand has been trenched and will be planted. to Red Pine. FTP C72-646 was submitted for planting RP. Trencher was sitting on this site when I was inventorying the stand.
69	6229 - Mixed lowland shrub	33.7	Unspecified	Unspecified	
70	50 - Water	22.7	No	Unspecified	Thayer Creek
74	6225 - Bog	5.1	No	Unspecified	