

## GWINN FOREST MANAGEMENT UNIT COMPARTMENT REVIEW PRESENTATION

**COMPARTMENT 2 ENTRY YEAR: 2011** 

Compartment Acreage: 1606 County: Marquette

Revision Date: 7/16/09

Stand Examiner: Kevin LaBumbard

Legal Description: T45N R23W Sec's. 21, 22, 28

Management Goals: This compartment lies south of Carlshend (Skandia) with extremely poor access thru corporate and private lands. At this time, access is denied to the general public. It consists of large wetland complexes with hardwood ridges and remote hardwood islands. Management goals of the two scheduled hardwood stands are to improve stem quality and diameter class distribution while maintaining species diversity, conifer content, and den trees. There is a good opportunity to enhance the Mesic conifer composition thru underplanting of hemlock and/or white pine in these stands. Harvest plans will also include considerations for conifer retention, coarse woody debris, and BMP's. Special conservation area stands are included along the primary drainages to protect and enhance the riparian values and wildlife travel corridors. In addition, there are a few upland stands within this large wetland complex that have remained essentially untouched since the turn of the century that contain many special habitat elements such as supercanopy trees, numerous large snags, abundant and varied tree cavities/dens, frequent large diameter downed trees, and intact natural ecosystem processes/disturbances.

**Soils and topography** Terrain is primarily flat with rolling uplands, ridges, and islands rising abrubtly from the swamps. Soils range from very poorly drained loam to sandy ridges. Major soil associations include: Carbondale/Tawas mucks, Amasa, and the Munising-Skanee Complex.

Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment: This compartment is entirely surrounded by private and corporate land holdings.

**Unique, Natural Features** 

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features

### **Special Management Designations or Considerations:**

Special Conservation Area Stands included: 1,3,5,7,8,10,14,16,20,21,29,31,36-40,42. Stand 10 is the only new addition.

#### Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

#### Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

**Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions**: Sections 21, 22, 27, 28 & 33, T45N-R23W, Marquette County

Surface sediments consist of medium-textured glacial till. The glacial drift thickness varies between 10 and 50 feet. The Ordovician Black River and Prairie du Chien Groups subcrop below the glacial drift. The Black River is quarried in the UP for dolostone. A gravel pit is located two miles to the east and potential appears to be good on uplands. Abandoned iron mines are located twelve miles to the west. This compartment has not been previously leased for metallic exploration. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP.

**Vehicle Access:** Access to this compartment is restricted through gated private land.

Survey Needs: none

**Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:** Recreational activity for this area is primarily for upland hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock and whitetail deer.

**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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Table 3

(acres shown in boxes) STAND AGE CLASS

COVER TYPE	Not Coded	0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	100- 109	110- 119	120- 129	130- 139	140- 149	150- 159	All Aged	Total
Aspen			24																24
Black Spruce													7						7
Cedar												38							38
Grass	14																		14
Lowlnd Brush	177																		177
Mx Swmp Cnfr								62		152		156							370
Spruce Fir										2									2
Swamp Hrdwds										295	111								406
Upland Hdwds									6									562	568
Total	191		24					62	6	449	111	194	7					562	1606

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ESCANABA RIVER STATE FOREST

**GWINN FOREST MGT UNIT** 

MARQUETTE COUNTY

COMPARTMENT: 2

Table 3A

(acres shown in boxes)

#### MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE TYPE

COVER TYPE	Α	S	V	С	G	Н	J	I	L	Р	N	Q	Χ	0	В	R	K	Υ	F	Е	Т	D	U	М	Z	W	Total
A Aspen	24																										24
S Black Spruce		7																									7
C Cedar				38																							38
G Grass					14	ļ																					14
L LowInd Brush									177																		177
Q Mx Swmp Cnfr												370															370
F Spruce Fir																			2								2
E Swamp Hrdwds																				406							406
M Upland Hdwds																								568			568
Total	24	7		38	14	4			177			370							2	406				568			1606

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ESCANABA RIVER STATE FOREST

GWINN FOREST MGT UNIT

MARQUETTE COUNTY

COMPARTMENT: 2

#### Table 10 - COMPARTMENT VOLUME SUMMARY - ALL STANDS

COMPARTMENT SUMMARY	COM	IPARTI	MENT	SUM	ΜМΑ	RY
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TOTAL V Hardwood Hardwood Softwood Softwood	8947 Cds 1895 Mbf 5935 Cds 49 Mbf	CUT VOLUME Hardwood 412 Cds Hardwood 62 Mbf Sum CutVol 536 Cds	
Sum TotVol  Total Cm	18770 Cds	Acres Proposed For Cut	92
160	6		

GWINN FOREST MGT UNIT						Proposed To With NO Limit		Compart	ment: 2	Entry Year: 2011	
Stand	Cover Type	Acres	Age	Site Index	Mgt Obj	Condition	Method Cut	Harvest Priority	Cultural Need	FDF Status	
24	М9	67		58	northern hardwood	unevenaged	selection	2		prescribed for fdf	

**Proposed Treatments** 

comnts Fmd: Last harvested in 1996 the stand is ready for another selection cut. The stand is made up of primarily sugar maple, cherry, and a few very large yellow birch with soft maple along the transition zones.. Cutting will occur in all size classes removing the high risk, defective and suppressed trees. Most of the cherry and yellow birch will be retained, along with scattered wildlife trees and any conifers. Within the stand are 3 small pockets of aspen saplings.

Wld: Cut no Hemlock, Cedar, or White pine if it exists in stand.

Total Acres......

67

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GWINN FOREST MGT UNIT	Proposed Treatments
	With Limiting Factors

Compartment: 2

Entry Year: 2011

	Stand	Cover Type	Acres	Age	Site Index	Mgt Obj	Condition	Method Cut	Harvest Priority	Cultural Need	FDF Status
_	27	M6	25		55	northern hardwood	unevenaged	selection	3		prescribed for fdf treatment

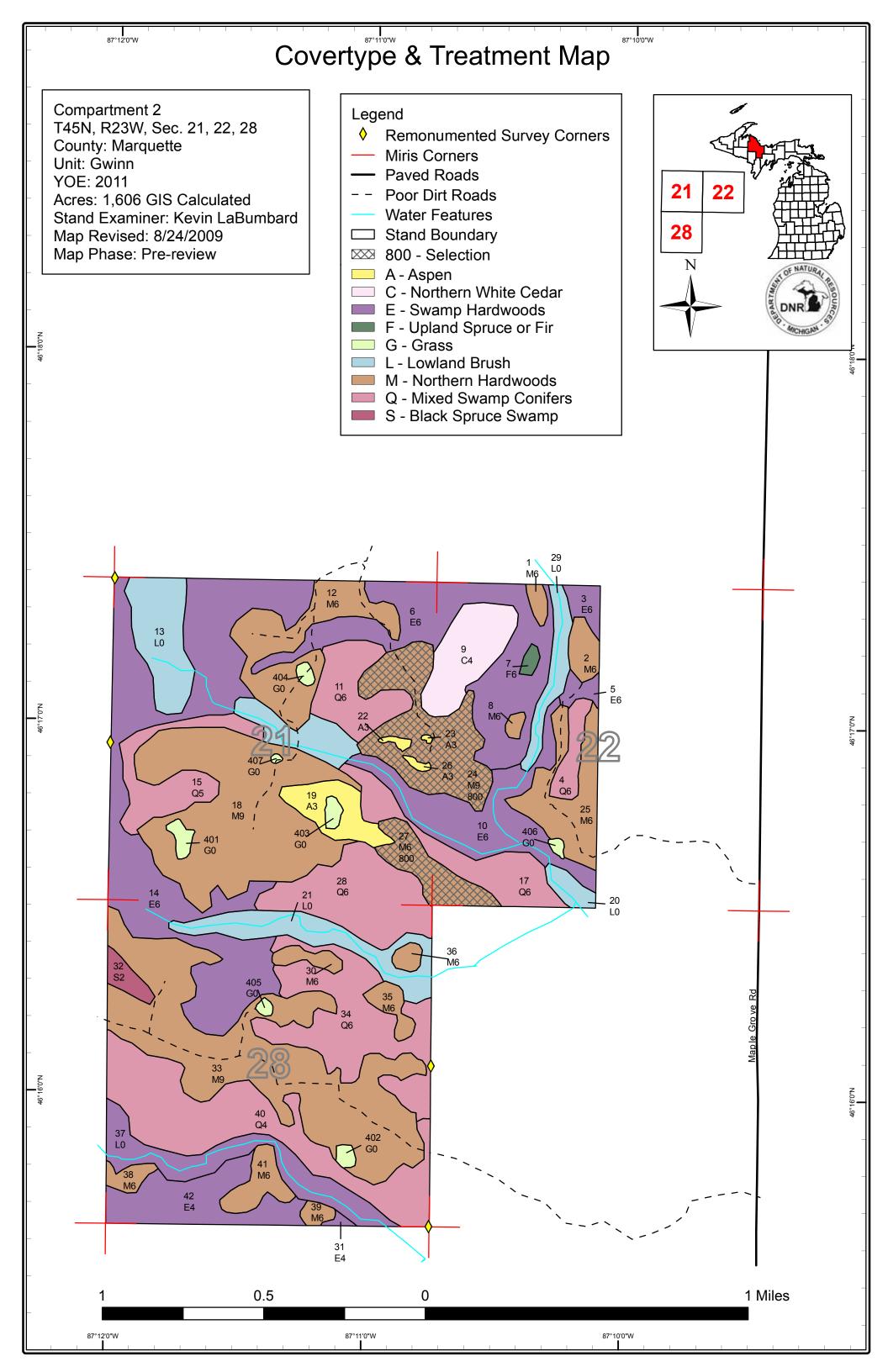
TREATMENT LIMITING FACTORS: Land survey needed

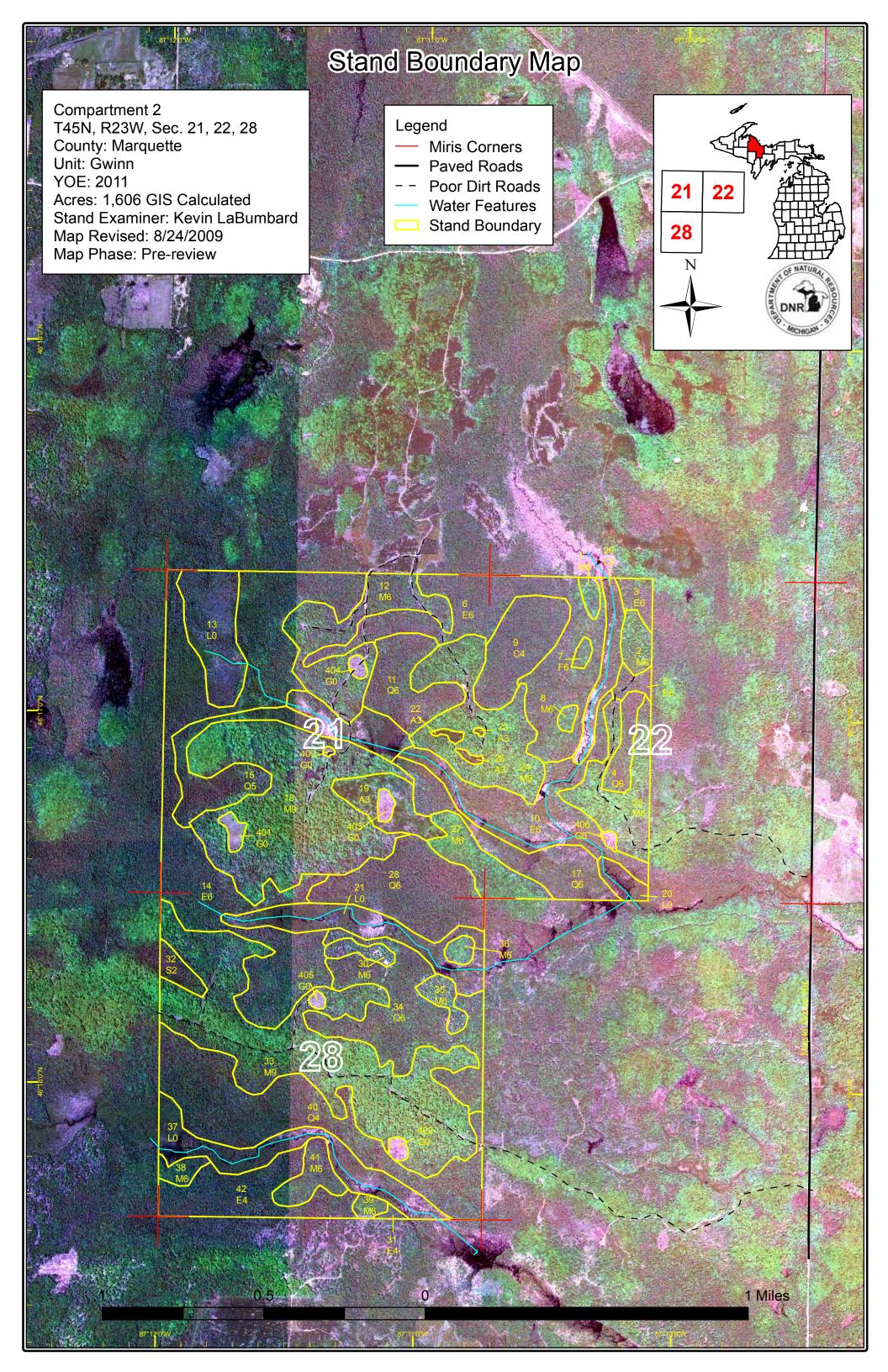
comnts Fmd: FDF MARGINAL ACCESS. HOLD OFF UNTIL STAND18 IS READY TO CUT. 2009-Good quality hardwoods growing on sandy ridge. Access is somewhat restricted by a lengthy access road and steep logging conditions. Species consist of mixed hardwoods, primarily sugar maple, cherry, red maple. Occasional conifer especially along the transition zone. Within stand retention will include cherry, hemlock, cedar, white pine, as well as the residual hardwoods. Sale prep for this stand will require an extensive line running

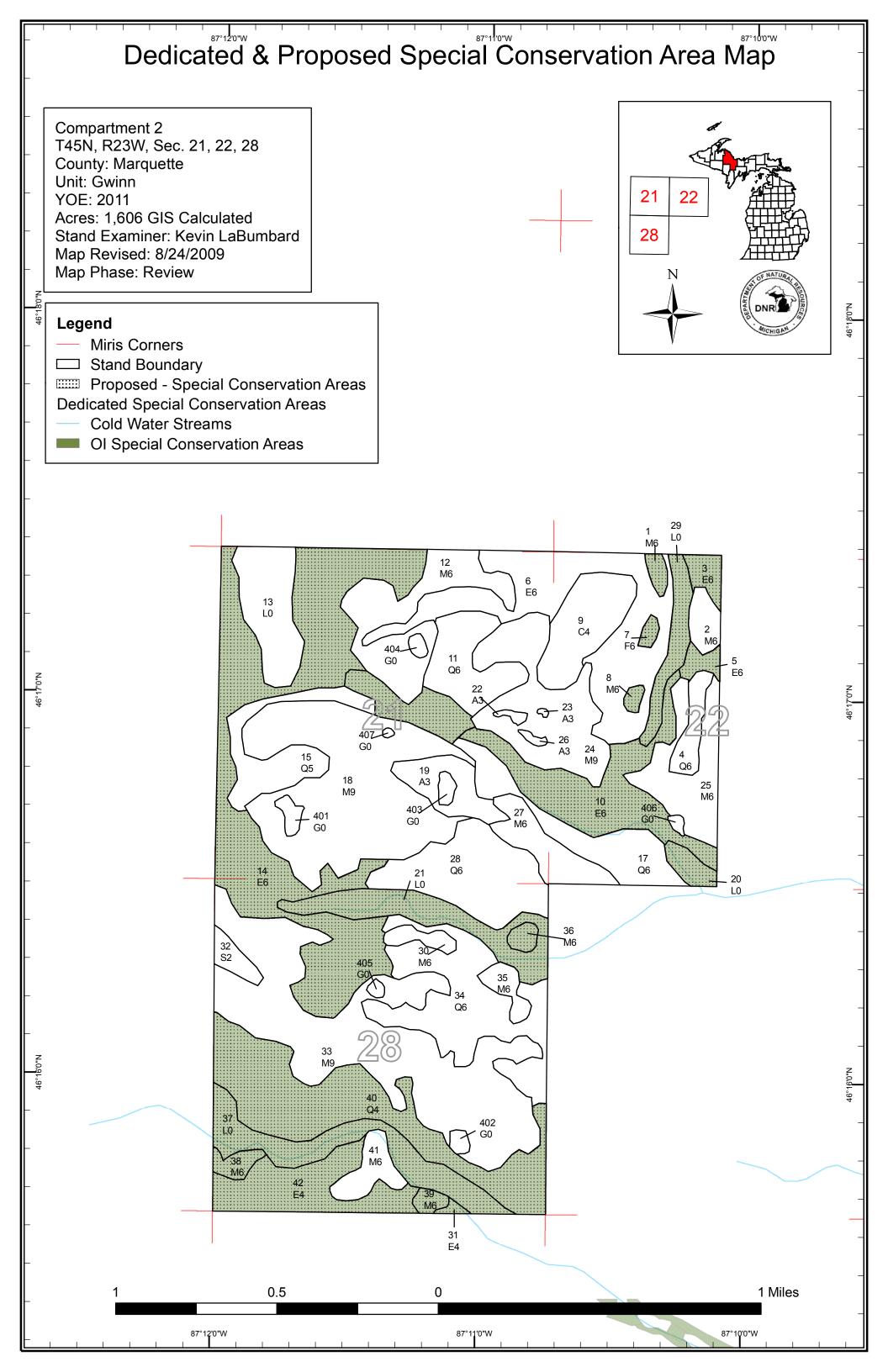
Wld: Cut no Hemlock, Cedar, or White Pine if it exists in stand.

Total Acres......

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Report Date: 07/31/2009 Gwinn Mgt. Unit

Compartment: 002



### **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.

Conservatio Area	on 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 coldw to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically p	d oxygen conditions that allow naturally-reproduced or water fish species (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from year rovide these conditions due to substantial contributions of are established by Director's action and designated as