

GWINN FOREST MANAGEMENT UNIT COMPARTMENT REVIEW PRESENTATION

COMPARTMENT # 59 ENTRY YEAR: 2011 Compartment Acreage: 1905 County: Marquette

Revision Date: 03/19/2009

Stand Examiner: Jerry Mohlman

Legal Description: T44N R26W Sections 31, 32, 33

Management Goals: For the 2011 entry year, we propose selection harvests on three hardwood stands in the center of the compartment. This is the second harvest. Regeneration is good in most areas. We will retain representatives of all species in these harvests as well as legacy trees and other trees important to wildlife. The main goal is to improve or maintain the high quality timber in these stands, while preserving biodiversity. We propose final harvests in three Aspen stands. We will retain all pine, cedar and hemlock in those stands, if present. They will be naturally regenerated to aspen. One birch stand shows heavy mortality due to advanced age. We propose harvesting the remaining birch in that stand and leaving all hardwood. Mixed hardwood is in the understory, and the plan is to have that stand convert to northern hardwood.

Soils and topography: Ensley muck, Carbondale and Tawas soils, Greenwood and Dawson soils, Emmet fine sandy loam, Escanaba loamy fine sand, Solona fine sandy loam, Mashek fine sandy loam, Emmet-Escanaba complex, Kinross muck. Flat to rolling topography.

Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment: Some private land used for hunting camps west and south. Mostly state land elsewhere surrounding the compartment.

Unique, Natural Features:

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

Special Management Designations or Considerations: No special conservation areas in this compartment.

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions:

Vehicle Access: Vehicle access is good throughout the compartment

Survey Needs: No survey work is requested for the 2011 entry period.

Recreational Facilities and Opportunities: General forest recreation, no developed recreational facilities.

Fire Protection: Fire frequency is low. Access for fire equipment is good throughout the compartment.

Additional Compartment Information: Very high quality hardwood is in this compartment.

- > 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		21	145	133	11		73	56	3										442
Black Spruce											69	58							127
Cedar											5		250						255
Grass	51																		51
Hemlock																		35	35
Lowind Popir										16									16
Marsh	2																		2
Mx Swmp Cnfr								18		63		186							267
Paper Birch								16											16
Spruce Fir				18			31	27											76
Upland Hdwds																		583	583
White Pine				21								14							35
Total	53	21	145	172	11		104	117	3	79	74	258	250					618	1905

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MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE TYPE

COVER TYPE	Α	S	V	С	G	Н	J	I	L	Р	N	Q	Х	0	В	R	K	Υ	F	Е	Т	D	U	M	Z	W	Total
A Aspen	439																							3			442
S Black Spruce		127																									127
C Cedar				255																							255
G Grass					51																						51
H Hemlock						35	5																				35
P LowInd PopIr										16																	16
N Marsh											2	!															2
Q Mx Swmp Cnfr												267															267
B Paper Birch																								16			16
F Spruce Fir																			76	3							76
M Upland Hdwds																								583			583
W White Pine																										35	35
Total	439	127		255	5	1 35	5			16	2	267							70	6				602		35	1905

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Table 10 - COMPARTMENT VOLUME SUMMARY - ALL STANDS

COMPARTMENT SUMMARY

TOTAL VOLUME CUT VOLUME Hardwood 9933 Cds Hardwood 2158 Cds Hardwood 1852 Mbf Hardwood 128 Mbf Softwood 10847 Cds Softwood 170 Cds Softwood 642 Mbf Softwood 9 Mbf Sum TotVol 25768 Cds Sum CutVol 2602 Cds Total Cmpt Acres Acres Proposed For Cut				
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	190	05		

Proposed Treatments GWINN FOREST MGT UNIT Compartment: 59 Entry Year: 2011 With NO Limiting Factors Cover Method **FDF** Harvest Cultural Site Mgt Stand Type Obj Condition Cut **Priority** Need Status Acres Index Age 19 **B5** 16 northern hardwood delayed removal mature comnts Fmd: Thinned 1994 permit #021-91-01. Some mortality and dieback in birch occurring. Converting to M. Good regen 2" dbh in sugar maple. Good hardwood site(AOCa). Recommend cut all but token amount of w. birch.(paint some leave trees 1-2 acres for diversity), leaving all hardwood. Convert stand to hardwood. Hardwood BA would still be low, but regeneration is adequately established for stand of hardwood. Protect advanced regneration during harvest. Cut mature fir, leave cedar. Wld: Underplant white pine and/or hemlock post harvest. 30 Α6 2 3 75 northern hardwood mature final harvest comnts Fmd: Mature aspen and w. birch. Some areas pure w. birch. Mortality occuring in both species. Could cut out aspen and birch, leave hardwood and protect regeneration to attempt full or partial conversion to hardwood. Higher ground is mostly a highly productive hardwood site. Also leave all hemlock and cedar. Nice sugar maple along road should be left for visual values even if a full clearcut is decided. 34 Α6 aspen (upland) mature final harvest comnts Fmd: Mature aspen well-stocked with some areas of blowdown especially on clearcut edge. Areas of w. birch but mostly aspen throughout. Some nice hardwood in stand but not well-stocked with hardwood. Possible to leave some hardwood for diversity or visual values, especially along roads. Some cedar patches to exclude. Wld: Type out and protect vernal ponds that exist in this stand during sale. 35 northern hardwood selection 2 unevenaged comnts Fmd: Thinned 1994 permit # 21-91-01.Good Quality. Good sugar maple regeneration 6-10' tall in areas. Patches of hemlock. Some areas not much to cut due to lower BA but most areas could thin. Mostly an M9 stand but some M6. Thinner areas are stand 19 which is mostly a birch removal, difficult to type out on current imagery so actual marked area may be more or less. Wld: Retain all hemlock, as well as any cedar and white pine if it exists in stand. Underplant hemlock and/or white pine if it exists in stand. 36 3 final harvest A6 aspen (upland) comnts Fmd: Small stand of A6 fades down into E. Vernal ponds. Mixed with birch. On good soil areas protect sugar maple regeneration and convert stand to hardwood. Wld: Protect vernal ponds that exist in this stand as "no cut" areas. 38 northern hardwood unevenaged selection comnts Fmd: Thinned 1994 Permit # 22-91-01.Good quality potential but still some poor quality to remove. Ready for another thinning, however some areas not much to remove due to existing BA. Low spot in stand at base of peninsula is mostly ash and cedar. South part of stand is an old "wildlife" cut which now has good regeneration 2-4" with scattered larger cedar and maple. Not much existing regeneration in the

48 M6 3 68 northern hardwood unevenaged selection 2

unevenaged

comnts Fmd: Thinned 1994 permit # 21-91-01.Good quality. Mostly small log stand. Good regen of sugar maple in gaps. Ready for another light

selection

Wld: Cut no hemlock, white pine, or cedar if it exists in stand. Underplant hemlock and/or white pine post harvest.

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northern hardwood

comnts Fmd: Moraine between low areas. Mostly Red maple fair quality. Thin with better quality stand east. Some areas aspen west could do small patch clearcut. Leave hemlock. Good potential for quality improvement.

Wld: Underplant hemlock and/or white pine post harvest. Cut no hemlock, white pine, or cedar if it exists in stand. Clear a couple small openings within sale to promote aspen patches.

Total Acres...... 294

М9

thinning.

44

main part of stand due to higher BA.

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Proposed Treatments With Limiting Factors

Compartment: 59

Entry Year: 2011

Cover Method **FDF** Mgt Harvest Cultural Site Stand Type Obj Condition Cut **Priority** Need **Status** Acres Age Index 26 2 Α6 13 49 65 aspen (upland) mature final harvest

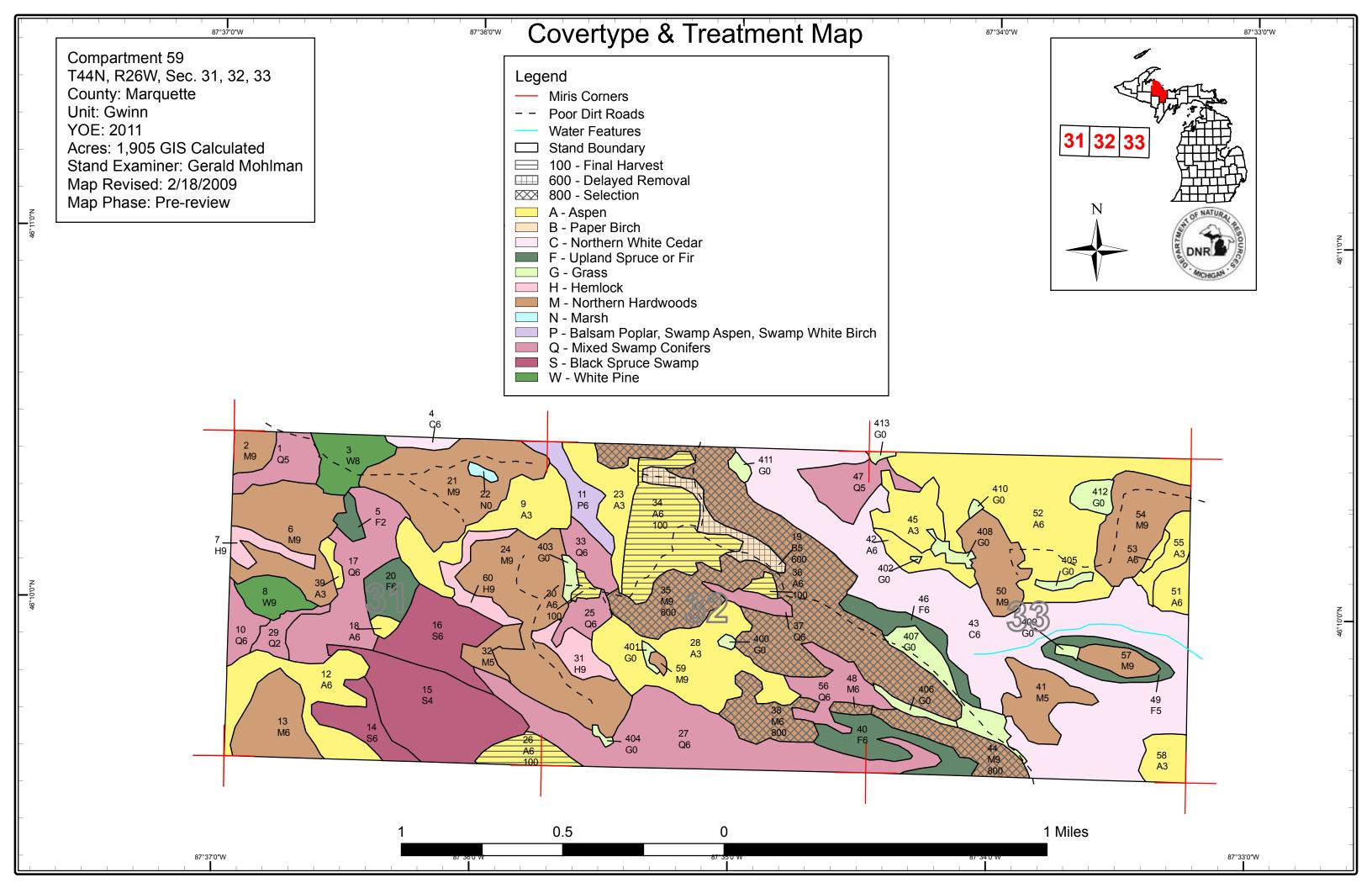
TREATMENT LIMITING FACTORS: Delayed treatment for age/size class diversity

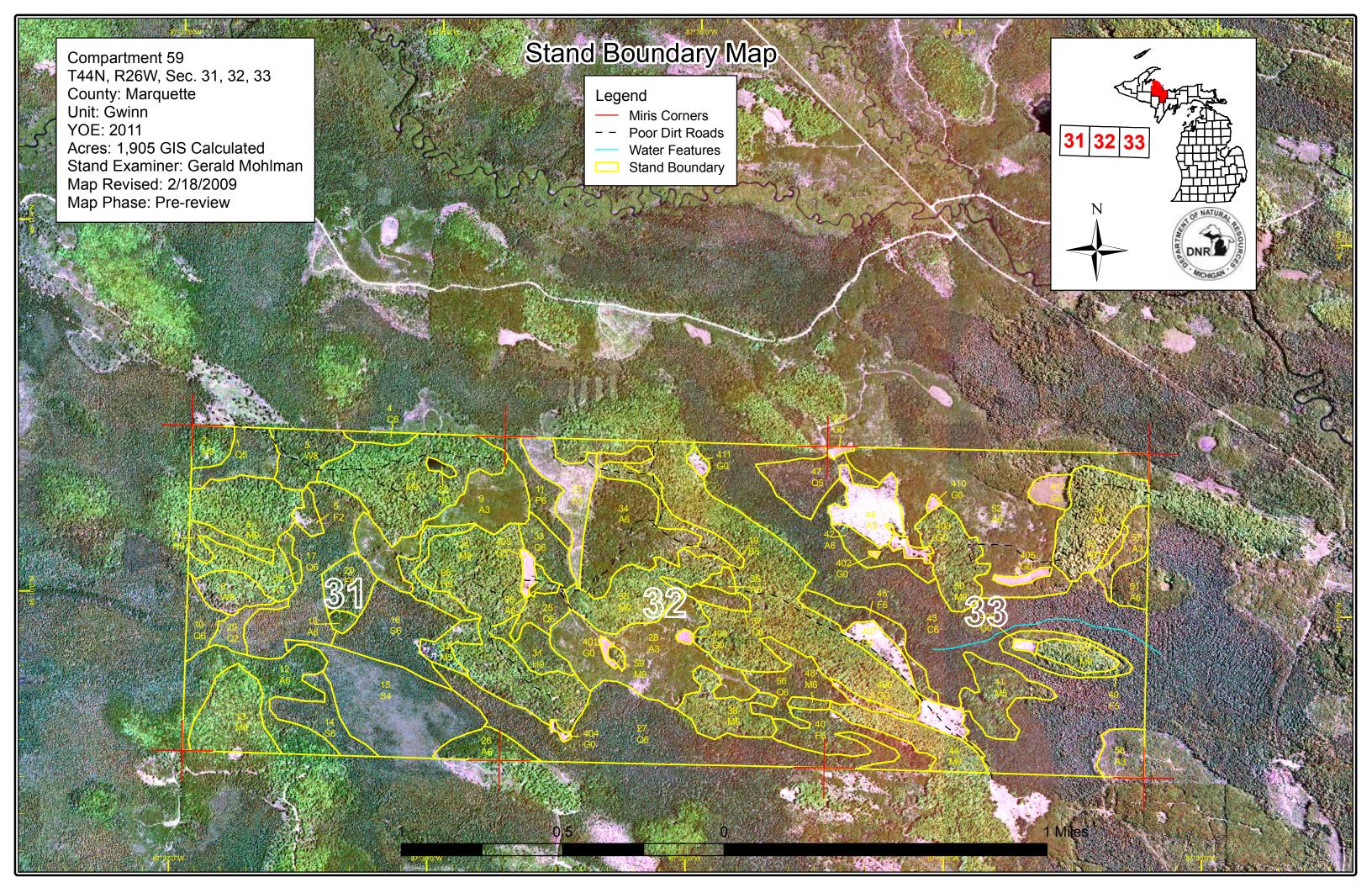
comnts Fmd: An old wildlife cut is here. Scattered Big H,W.P., and C. Otherwise aspen is in good shape. Cut on private to south. Should clearcut but leave w. pine and any hemlock. Some nice hardwood is here but is not well-stocked with hardwood. Possible to leave some larger maple in harvest for diversity. Farther north in stand is more aspen and fir only.

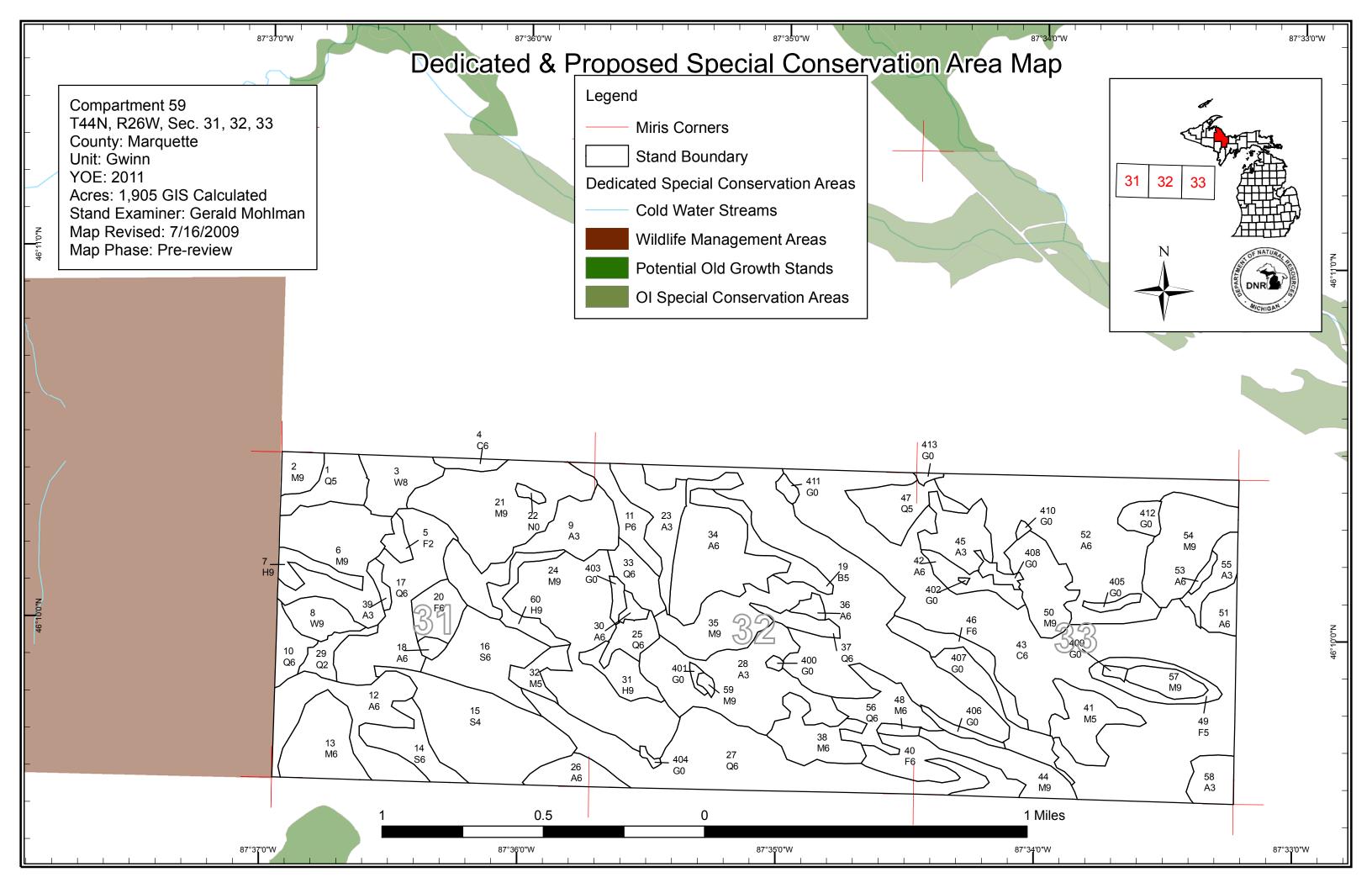
Total Acres......

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Compartment: 059

ERA = Ecological Reference Area



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	п Туре	Description	HCVA = High Conservation Value Area SCA = Special Conservation Area
SCA	Archaeological Site	An aquatic or terrestrial area of the State that contains physical resites of cultural and historical significance that may occur upon to bottomlands. They include thousands of Native American settlem and British outposts, nineteenth century logging camps, mines a Great Lakes, there are shipwrecks and other remains documentified by Natural heritage data from the State Historic Preserv compartment will be implemented in such a manner as to maintal sensitive nature of this information, no further detail about location	errestrial areas and Great Lakes nents and burial sites, as well as French and homesteads. Beneath the waters of the ing the maritime trade. Such sites may be vation Office. Proposed treatments in this in the integrity of these sites. Due to the
SCA	Habitat Area	An area that provide some specific need for the life cycle of wildli and Waterfowl Production Areas, deer wintering complexes in low openings and savannas. Habitat areas are distinct from critical hat endangered or threatened species (such as Kirtland's warbler or general in nature, are not primarily associated with threatened or by species recovery plans that are developed in cooperation with	wland conifer communities, grassland abitat designated for recovery of piping plover areas) in that they are more endangered species, and are not covered
SCA	Potential Old Growth Areas	This category contains stands were identified for a broad range of database as stand condition 8 as potential old growth (POG). A identified through the Operations Inventory (OI)/Compartment Re 2008 and forward, potential old growth is managed for the identifithe Biodiversity Conservation Planning Process (BCPP) and give an ERA, HCVA, or other type of SCA) and is released from the preleased from the potential old growth designation via the Compared	Approximately 310,000 acres have been eview process. For stands in Year of Entry ied objective until it is: 1) vetted through en a specific designation and objective (as otential old growth designation; or 2) it is