COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS

Red Pine Project Compartment Review

Location: RAM Center

March 28, 2008

The following documents the changes and decisions made at the compartment review to the Inventory database, reports, and compartment maps presented at open house for the Red Pine Project compartment review. This document is the official record of changes and decisions. Proposals originally presented were approved unless noted below.

Attendees

DNR Staff: Dayle Garlock, FMFMD; John Pilon, FMFMD; Jason Stephens, FMFMD; Karen Rodak, FMFMD; Patrick Hallfrisch, FMFMD; Dale Ekdom, FMFMD; Randy McKenzie, FMFMD; Bob Heyd, FMFMD; Laurie Marzolo, FMFMD; Steve Cross, FMFMD; Rich Earle, WLD; Todd Neis, FMFMD; Jim Bielecki, FMFMD; Tom Haxby, FMFMD; Dave Neumann, FMFMD; Joe Durbin, FMFMD; Doug Heym, FMFMD; Penney Melchoir, WLD; Mike Paluda, FMFMD; Roger Hoeksema, FMFMD; Michelle Kleckler, FMFMD; Keith Kintigh, WLD; Tim Greco, FMFMD; Shannon Harig, FMFMD; Joyce Angel-Ling, FMFMD; David Lemmein, FMFMD; Don Kuhr, FMFMD; Cara Boucher, FMFMD; Sherry MacKinnon, WLD; Mark Boersen, WLD; Brian Mastenbrook, WLD; Patrick Potter, FMFMD; Bill O'Neill, FMFMD

Members of the public: Marv Roberson, Sierra Club; Tom Jennett, Hydrolake, Inc; Tony Furlich, Hydrolake, Inc; Tom Callison, GTB Ottawa/Chippewa

Comments from Stakeholders

The Red Pine Project Open House was held at the DNR Gaylord Operations Service Center on March 13, 2008 – 25 visitors came to view maps and data and discuss prescriptions with staff.

Comments were received at the open house or were sent in by:

- Arch Reeves, Wolverine – Inquired how specific compartments and stands were chosen for the Red Pine Project.
- Marv Roberson, Sierra Club – Stated that red pine age class target distribution ended at economic rotation age. Suggested that red pine age classes should be allowed to go out to biological rotation of 200 plus years. He was told that his concerns would be better addressed in the ecoregional state forest plans.
- Mary Jergenson, Sen. Tony Stamas' Aide – Attended open house to learn about resource management in light of citizen complaints about timber harvesting. Requested DNR work with her more in advance.
- Josh Greenberg, Northwoods Call – Attended open house to view maps and data, to gain knowledge on the compartment review process and get acquainted with staff.
- Tom Jennett, Hydrolake, Inc. – Attended to pick up information packets for each prescribed compartment. Suggested, due to slowing economy, sale contracts with loggers be longer than two years. Tony Furlich: Hydrolake, Inc needs extended contract periods in order to meter out utility poles better.
- Danny Watson, Otsego County citizen – Regarding Gaylord compartment 22, stand 78: Concerned with leaving a buffer along river corridors. Requested that clearcutting not be

done right up to his private property line so as to minimize snowmobile access to his property. Also, requested that oak be left in the sale area.

- Alan Diodore, Anglers of the AuSable – Grayling compartment 211 – concerned with cutting close to Kolka Creek. Grayling compartment 21 – wishes to be notified if there is a change to the harvest plan. Grayling compartment 22 – appreciates the consideration that went into the recommendation that there be no cutting near Frenchmen's Creek. Grayling compartment 10 – said it appeared the cut will not be right up to Big Creek, but was unsure.
- Tom Krause, Friends of the Jordan River – Concerned about cutting in the Jordan Valley. Stated he had difficulty reading the packets.
- Frank Krist, Rogers City – Stated DNR management over-emphasized early successional management. Expressed concern about harvesting near state forest campgrounds.
- Boyd Kauffman, Fairview – Concerned about red pine mortality on his own property.
- Mrs. Lyndell Robinson, Grayling – Requested information packets. In phone conversation, she expressed concern with large cuts in Crawford County and in the Mason Tract. She was added to the contact list for future compartment open houses in the Grayling unit.

Comments from stakeholders that were provided at the open house or otherwise during the comment period were announced and discussed. Comments specific to compartments were read and considered as each compartment was discussed. Stakeholder input that resulted in changes to prescriptions for a specific compartment or stand is recorded in the compartment notes below. Copies of comments pertaining to specific units are on file at the unit office.

Sault Ste Marie FMU

Soo Comp 106

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: Tony Furlich expressed concern about cherry out-competing red pine regeneration. Don Kuhr said herbicide release is scheduled if necessary.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 20 - Add to stand comment: Buffer bog.

Soo Comp 107

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Soo Comp 108

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Gaylord FMU

Gaylord Comp 2

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Gaylord Comp 10

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: Alan Didodore: Concerned about buffering along Big Creek. It was noted that no cutting was near the stream and that riparian set-back standards are in place for all cuttings.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 66 – Add to stand comment: Green up requirements will not be invoked because it was determined that the resulting expanded stand would be advantageous for Kirtland's Warbler management.

Gaylord Comp 11

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 41 – Add to stand comment: Acceptable mix of regeneration is aspen, red pine, jack pine, oak and red maple.

Gaylord Comp 21

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Gaylord Comp 22

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: Danny Watson, Otsego County citizen – Concerned with leaving a buffer along river corridors. Requested that clearcutting not be done right up to his private property line so as to minimize snowmobile access to his property. Also, requested that oak be left in the sale area. It was agreed to leave the oak, but would not leave buffer along the property line because there is already some aspen and red maple regeneration near the line.
Alan Didodore – Concerned that cutting zone be at least 100 feet from Frenchmen Creek. It was stated that his concern was already in the stand comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 78 – As per Danny Watson's suggestion, add to stand comment: Leave all oak.

Gaylord Comp 63

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Gaylord Comp 142

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stands in section 28 will be planted; stands in section 33 will not be planted.

Gaylord Comp 151

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 18 – Add to stand comment: Invoke green-up guidelines.

Pigeon River Country FMU

PRC Comp 31

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

PRC Comp 41

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Atlanta FMU

Atlanta Comp 39

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Atlanta Comp 41

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 55 – Southwest portion needs to be split off and made into a new stand. Not to be harvested.

Atlanta Comp 49

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 12 – Split off east nine acres of the stand and make it into a new stand.
- Stand 38 – Prescribed for final harvest with 3 – 5 % retention. Plant back to red pine.

Atlanta Comp 135

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Atlanta Comp 143

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 24 – Change method of cut to shelterwood-seed.

Atlanta Comp 156

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stands 23, 25, 26, 46, 49 – Add to stand comment: Scarification is an option.

Atlanta Comp 169

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 15 – Add to stand comment: "or scarification if harvest doesn't produce desire result.

Atlanta Comp 176

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 19 – Some or all the stand will be treated as prescribed. Unit will work with red pine forester to determine which portions. Change method of cut to shelterwood-seed.

Traverse City FMU

TC Comp 3

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

TC Comp 15

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

TC Comp 59

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

TC Comp 101

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

TC Comp 110

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:

- Stand 1 - Green up requirements will not be invoked in order to maintain continuity with adjacent stand and to lessen fragmentation.

TC Comp 140

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Cadillac FMU

Cadillac Comp 102

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Cadillac Comp 103

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stands 84 and 100 should be recorded on treatment report. Assign new stand number for uncut portion.

Roscommon FMU

Rosco Comp 47

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Add stand 38 of comp 2 to the north. Apply same prescription as stand 29.
- Stands 29, 38, 129 – Add to stand comment: Trench around areas of heavy hardwood under story.

Rosco Comp 49

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Rosco Comp 161

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 8 - Drop treatment, deferred to Phase II during regular YOE 2010 compartment review.
- Stand 46 – Add to the stand comment: Do not cut aspen to limit suckering competition.

Rosco Comp 197

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Grayling FMU

Grayling Comp 5

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: Marv Roberson asked if converting red pine to aspen fit the goals of the red pine project. It was explained that converting off-site pine was one of the goals as was explained on the documentation on the web.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Grayling Comp 10

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: Alan Diodore: Asked to be notified if there were changes to the prescriptions that affected Big Creek.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Grayling Comp 27

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Grayling Comp 195

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Grayling Comp 197

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stands 36, 76 and 79 – Change management objective to aspen.

Grayling Comp 211

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: Alan Diodore - Asked that cutting stay back from Kolka Creek and Bradford Creek, as per policy.

Changes made at compartment review: No changes.

Grayling Comp 261

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 41 - Change management objective to hardwoods.

Grayling Comp 263

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 4 – Change management objective to jack pine.

Grayling Comp 274

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 6 – Change management objective to red pine.
- Stand 106 – Remove water treatment code 8. Delete part of the stand comment that says "stand treated under red pine project."

Grayling Comp 298

Discussion of comments from individual outside parties: There were no comments.

Changes made at compartment review:
- Stand 71 – Approved as is. Add to stand comment: Meet with sale contractor to discuss set-up to improve visual effects.

As the Compartment Review Meeting Facilitator, I certify that the above changes were agreed upon.

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