

# COMPARTMENT REVIEW RECORD OF CHANGES AND DECISIONS

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Newberry Forest Management Unit

2027 Year-of-Entry (YOE)

Newberry Customer Service Center – Lake Superior Room

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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The following documents the changes and decisions made at the compartment review to the Inventory database, reports and compartment maps presented [at Open House or for online review] for the Newberry Forest Management Unit compartment review. This document is the official record of changes and decisions. Proposals originally presented were approved unless noted below.

## **Attendees**

Facilitator: Lester Livermore, FRD; Recorder: Rose Wilbur, FRD; Keith Magnusson, FRD; Jason Tokar, FRD; Matt Payment, FRD; Kristie Sitar, WLD; Troy Sumbera, PRD; Amy Livermore, FRD; Lloyd Martindale, FRD; Anthony Ciaramitaro, FRD; Scott Lakosky, FRD; Karen Sexton, WLD; Nick Wheeler, FRD; Chris Cox, FRD; and Audrey Baetz, FD

## **Virtual/Online Attendees**

Cory Kovaks, FD; Holly Toohey, FRD; Nate Poley, FRD

## **Public Attendees**

Jesse Lincoln

### **Comments from stakeholders received prior to Compartment Review**

Comment received recognizing the significance of Whitefish Point in many aspects including its migratory habitat corridor, and bird habitat area and seeking clarification on nomination as an official Natural Area designation.

Comment received recognizing the significance of Vermilion Point as an ecologically diverse area with cultural, migratory bird habitat and recreational values. Comment proposes the area be established as an official Natural Area.

Comment received in compartment 42054 suggesting the area should be a “nature preserve” under the basis of the abundance of native animal species present. Comment also requests no clearcutting.

Comment received in compartment 42067 to extend the areas unavailable to harvest from the widewaters to the private property line along the northside of betsy/sheldrake river.

Comment received in compartment 42067 to keep Vermilion Road wild by not clearcutting and preserving road aesthetics.

Comment received in compartment 42054 for stronger enforcement by law enforcement to monitor issues arising from dispersed camping within the area.

### **Comments from stakeholders received during Compartment Review**

Comment heard during opening public comment period requesting the use of prescribed fire within natural red pine stands in compartments 42054, 42067 and 42094. Specific comment heard during compartment 42054 and 42067 requesting the use of a sequence of prescribed fires in combination with timber harvest.

## **Compartment specific changes made during Compartment Review**

### **Compartment 122 – Payment**

Stand 13 – Add “Leave all hemlock, white pine and some larger yellow birch.”

### **Compartment 13 – A. Livermore**

Stand 43, 61 – Change start date to 10/29/25.

Stand 61 - Change to “Leave white pine greater than 20 inches

### **Compartment 26 – Ciaramitaro**

Stand 33 – Drop treatment

Stand 31, 34 – Thin pine to 70-80 BA

Stand 31 – Remove remaining jack pine

Consider treating Stands 31, 33 and 34 as one stand in next year of entry

### **Compartment 39 – Martindale**

No Changes

### **Compartment 50 – Martindale**

Stand 401 – Add site condition 1C

### **Compartment 54 – A. Livermore**

Stand 62 – Change comments to “leave one white pine per acre.”

Propose reviewable Special Conservation Area for habitat around Vermilion Point with comments regarding important migratory bird habitat.

Stand 60 – Site Condition area of the stand adjacent to the wide waters as unavailable for topography and remove treatment from that portion of the stand.

### **Compartment 69 – Payment**

Stand 7 – Add “leave white pine over 22 inch for nest trees.”

### **Compartment 88 – A. Livermore**

Stand 95 – Add the language “create one drumming log for grouse on the west side” to the treatment.

Stand 79 and 83 – Add final harvest treatments. Leave aspen in red line and one drumming log in each stand.

Stand 101 – Change treatment type to non-commercial bush cutting matching treatment on stand 89.

**Compartment 90 – Payment**

Stand 20 – Drop treatment and add planting for WLD; WLD sponsor.

Stand 19 – Change to Mastication – WLD Sponsor.

Stand 56 – Drop Treatment / Add Planting for WLD – WLD Sponsor.

Stand 121 – Drop Treatment.

**Compartment 94 – Payment**

Stand 42 – Designate as retention for stand 25.

**Compartment 84 – Wheeler**

No Changes

**Compartment 117 – Wheeler**

No Changes

**Compartment 121 – Ciaramitaro**

No Changes

**Crisp Point ERA Complex Plan – L. Livermore**

Add Management Action(s) for BMPs and MIST Tactics similar to other ERA Plans.

**Paradise Area Fens ERA Plan – L. Livermore**

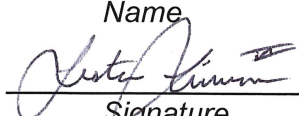
No Changes

**County Road 421 ERA Plan – L. Livermore**

No Changes

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As the Compartment Review Meeting Facilitator, I certify that the above changes have been agreed to.

Lester Livermore  
Name  
  
Signature

EUP Inventory and Planning Specialist  
Title  
10/29/25  
Date