

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN

## TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #6125

<u>SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME:</u> 3:00 p.m. (local time) on February 1, 2018. <u>LOCATION:</u> GAYLORD FIELD OFFICE, 1732 WEST M-32, GAYLORD, MI 49735.

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PROSPECTUS NOTE: The bidder is advised to inspect the sale area and review the location, estimated volumes, operating costs and contract terms of proposed sales. Please be aware that some landowners may request 60 days or more notice for access across their land.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Unit Manager, GAYLORD MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

Last Minute Patches (52-038-17)

Antrim County, Advertised Price \$30,379.50, 19.5 Acres, Hardwood, Sugar Maple.

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A timber sale contract for this lump sum, sealed bid timber sale will be awarded to the responsible bidder offering the highest sealed bid price. Bids must be at or above the following advertised price for each species:

PRODUCTS & SPECIES	ESTIMATED UNITS*		ADV	ADVERTISED PRICE	
Sawtimber					
Black Cherry	4.20	MBF	\$	211.00 / MBF	
Quaking Aspen	2.10	MBF	\$	59.00 / MBF	
Red Maple	102.90	MBF	\$	160.00 / MBF	
Sugar Maple	5.10	MBF	\$	308.00 / MBF	
Pulpwood					
Mixed Hardwood	465.00	Cords	\$	24.10 / Cord	
Quaking Aspen	6.00	Cords	\$	21.35 / Cord	

## BOND AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

1. A bond in the amount of \$1,518.98 to insure faithful performance of the conditions of the contract will be deposited by the successful bidder within 21 days of the sale award.

- 2. Cutting in any sale or unit without the required advance payment would be considered a trespass.
- 3. Total payment must be paid in advance or according to the following schedule:
- (a) Ten percent (10%) of the sale value must be paid within 21 days of the sale award.
- (b) The remainder is due before cutting begins.
- 4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- 5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 03/31/2021.

## Description of Timber by Payment Unit (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	Black Cherry	Sawtimber	4.2	MBF	19.5	\$30,379.50
	Quaking Aspen		2.1	MBF		
	Red Maple		102.9	MBF		
	Sugar Maple		5.1	MBF		
	Mixed Hardwood	Pulpwood	465.0	Cords		
	Beech		11.0	Cords		
	Black Cherry		17.0	Cords		
	Red Maple		412.0	Cords		
	Sugar Maple		25.0	Cords		
	Quaking Aspen		6.0	Cords		
TOTAL: 114.3 MBF						
		TOTAL:	471.0	Cords		

## Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

## Sale Name: Last Minute Patches

Sale Number: 52-038-17 Seq#: 1

## 1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted boundaries (1/14)

The sale boundary is marked and identified by red paint. Skid trails between cut areas are marked with orange paint.

## 2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.1 - Clearcut unit(s) with unmerchantable trees (6/14)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1, cut all trees that are two (2) inches or more at DBH.

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.5 - Limbed tree skidding (1/09)

The skidding of whole trees or tree segments with limbs attached is prohibited unless approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

## 3 - Payments

## 3.3 - Pre-measured Sales

3.3.4 - Dividing payment units (7/14)

Payment Unit(s) may be divided at the request of the Purchaser and upon approval of the Unit Manager. Dividing Payment Units is a contract modification which requires a Timber Sale Contract Supplement. There will be only one division per Payment Unit.

3.4 - Damaged Timber

3.4.1 - Damaged timber (6/14)

General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged Timber, defines liquidated damages for undesignated live merchantable trees which are cut or injured.

No damage is acceptable to merchantable trees. Within the sale area, if more than 10% of trees (> 4.5" DBH) within a specified area of the sale are damaged, liquidated damages will be assessed for all trees damaged. Rates will be in accordance with General Condition and Requirement 3.4 Damaged Timber.

## 4 - Transportation

## 4.1 - Construction

## 4.1.3 - Slash and earthen piles (8/04)

Piles or windrows of earth along roads and landings that have been widened or constructed shall be leveled. Slash from road maintenance or construction, including stumps, shall be dispersed throughout the sale.

## 4.1.4 - Timber removed for construction (12/09)

Trees cut or damaged in the process of pre-approved road, landing or skid trail construction will be decked in an area separate from other Designated Timber and not removed until measured by the sale administrator. Payment will be made at the specified Purchase Unit Price.

## 4.1.6 - Road construction (1/09)

Construction of new roads or improvements of existing roads shall be done in such a way as to minimize the environmental and visual impacts. Merchantable trees shall be cut and utilized unless otherwise directed. Non-merchantable trees shall be severed and laid flat on the ground. Slash shall be scattered, and not left in windrows and kept a minimum of 10 feet back

from the road edge. Stumps shall be set upright, not left on edge, and be moved at least 10 feet away from the road edge. Disturbed soil shall be feathered into the woods and not left in berms or windrows.

4.1.7 - Road closure (10/11)

All new roads built into the sale must be blocked to vehicle traffic upon completion of the sale. Overgrown roads that are reopened shall be considered new roads. In general, this will require constructing a four (4') foot high berm of stumps and logs covered with earth. Stumps and brush must be placed along the remainder of the trail. These roads must be rendered impassable to cars and trucks. Contact the sale administrator for specific details of design and placement.

## 4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.4 - Grading (10/16)

For completion of the sale, state forest roads must be graded. In general, this will require a road grader or bull dozer to shape up the roads after forest products have been hauled off site. This includes cleaning of drainage areas, grading, crowning and filling with gravel, if necessary. The grading equipment to be used must be approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

4.2.5 - Two wheel drive condition (2/04)

All existing trail roads on and adjacent to the sale area must be passable by two-wheel drive traffic for the duration of the sale.

#### 5 - Operations

#### 5.1 - Notification

5.1.3 - Well heads and natural gas pipelines (11/15)

The Purchaser is responsible for contacting the the gas or pipeline company prior to operating equipment in the vicinity of well heads or natural gas pipelines.

#### 5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.8 - Slash height (12/08) No slash or tree tops may exceed 24 inches in height.

5.2.1.13 - Dispose of slash as directed (12/05)Slash is to be disposed of as directed by the sale administrator.

#### 5.2.2 - Hazard Trees/Snags

5.2.2.1 - Den trees (10/16)Obvious hollow and/or den trees shall be protected and left standing unless they are a safety hazard.

5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

5.2.3.11 - Coppice regeneration protection (4/10)

Timber harvesting in any Payment Unit must be completed before significant sprouting occurs in that Payment Unit so as to minimize damage to the new regeneration. Any post harvest operations, such as chipping, must be completed before sprouting of regeneration occurs. If it is anticipated that chipping will be delayed, then tops shall be carried to one central location or left unchipped. The Unit Manager or his/her representative may cease such operations if sprouting occurs before the operation is complete.

#### 5.2.29 - Shrub protection (9/07)

Do not cut or damage hawthorn, witch-hazel, dogwood or juneberry. These woody-shrub plants are highly beneficial to various wildlife species.

## 5.2.32 - Decking/landing restoration (9/13)

All decking and landing areas must have the surface area restored to a condition equal to or better than before. This is to ensure the proper regeneration of the stand. Wood debris, chips and "cookies" from trimmings must be removed or scattered away from landing and loading areas and may not be windrowed on the edge. In the event that G0 or X0 areas adjacent to the sale area are utilized as landings, then those sites must be re-vegetated with a seed mixture approved by the DNR.

## 5.2.38 - No decking against live trees (2/04)

Cut products may not be decked against unmarked or designated leave trees.

## 5.2.39 - ORV trail/route protection (12/12)

The ORV trail or route and is shown on the Timber Sale Map. Do not cut trees or damage posts with orange ORV markers. All stumps within 5 feet of the trail must be cut flush with the ground. Maintain a 20 foot wide slash, debris, and rut free zone daily using the ORV trail or route as the centerline. Do not run equipment down the ORV trail or route. Skidding across the trail or route may only occur in locations approved by the sale administrator.

#### 5.4 - Soil Protection

## 5.4.1 - Rutting restriction, general (7/16)

Operations are to cease immediately if equipment and weather conditions result in rutting of roads and/or skid trails which is 12 inches or greater in depth and 50 feet in length. The Unit Manager or his/her representative may restrict hauling and/or skidding if ruts exceed the specified depth. With the Unit Manager or his/her representative's approval, the Purchaser may return to the area when the risk of rutting has decreased.

## 5.4.2 - Skid trails (2/04)

Skid trails up and down slopes should be avoided. If however this is unavoidable, these trails will be left in a non-erodible condition using water bars, logs, and slash. Placing of slash on these skid trails while logging is ongoing may alleviate need for any further action. At the direction of the sale administrator, seed, fertilizer, and mulch may also be required.

#### 5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

## 5.8.3 - Red shoulder hawk or goshawk (2/16)

In the event that an active red shoulder hawk or goshawk nest is found, the contract may be amended to protect the nest site until the nest is determined to be inactive. The value of the trees in this excluded area will be refunded or credited to the Purchaser. The nest will be buffered with a five-chain radius (eight acre) protection area, centered on the nest tree, in which there will be no cutting or new roads constructed. Avoid human disturbance, including loading and skidding, in the protection area.

An additional zone of five chains (ten chains centered on the active nest tree) will be established in which there is no management activity from March 15 to July 15. Limit biomass harvesting and chipping operations within this ten-chain zone, retain the maximum one-third of residues per the Woody Biomass Harvesting Guidelines (Michigan DNR 2010). Nests determined to be inactive will be protected with a one-chain no-harvest buffer.

#### **6 - Safety and Fire Prevention**

## 6.2 - Signing

## 6.2.1 - Road posting (9/09)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on Deward Road prior to beginning operations. The road must be posted at appropriate distances from the sale area to warn of logging activity and truck traffic. Signs must be removed when harvest operations are suspended or completed. The Purchaser will provide these signs.

#### 6.2.3 - Recreational trail posting (2/10)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on the ORV Trail prior to beginning operations. The trail must be posted at appropriate distances from the sale area to warn of logging activity and truck traffic at both ends of the trail. Signs must be removed when harvest operations are suspended or completed. The Purchaser will provide these signs.

