

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN <u>TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #7680</u>

<u>SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME:</u> 9:00 a.m. (local time) on July 8, 2025. <u>LOCATION:</u> GAYLORD MGMT UNIT, 1732 WEST M 32, GAYLORD, MI 49735.

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<u>PROSPECTUS NOTE</u>: 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:

<u>Ice Carving Salvage</u> (52-018-25) / T29N, R03W, SEC. 22, E1/2SW. T29N, R03W, SEC. 27, NW,S1/2NE,SE. Otsego County, Advertised Price \$4,415.00, 126.5 Acres, Red Pine. SALE NOTE: This sale has been reduced, as it was a "no bid" on previous advertisement.

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A timber sale contract for this scaled, sealed bid timber sale will be awarded to the responsible bidder offering the highest sealed bid price. All units of volume listed below were estimated using the Inventory Manager computer program and the new Michigan taper model. Bids must be at or above the following advertised price for each product and species:

PRODUCTS & SPECIES	ESTIMATED UNITS*	ADVERTISED PRICE	
Pulpwood			
Red Pine	883 Cords	\$	5.00 / Cord

* The estimated units are final and not subject to adjustment. Prospective bidders are urged to examine this timber and to make their own estimates of quantity and quality.

BOND AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

- 1. A bond in the amount of \$1,000.00 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 10% down payment will be credited towards the first unit cut.
- (c) Payment for each of the following units must be made before cutting begins in that unit:

01	21.5%
02	70.6%
03	7.9%

4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.

5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 06/30/2027.

SALE STATISTICS

Volumes were calculated in cubic feet using the Michigan taper model. Cubic foot volume includes all wood inside bark for the product indicated. For display purposes, cubic feet were converted to cords and MBF using a simple conversion factor, e.g. 79 cubic feet per cord and 185 cubic feet per MBF. The cubic foot volumes are precise; the cords and MBF volumes are not. Cubic foot volume cannot be directly converted to cords or boards with precision.

SALE VOLUMES

The total estimated sale volume may not equal the sum of the species/products due to the nature of statistical calculations associated with double sampling methodology.

VOLUME			STATISTICAL RANGE IN CORDS		
TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	
69,728	883	0.00%	883	883	

VDU VOLUMES

A VDU is a Volume Determination Unit. Volumes and their associated statistics are calculated at the VDU level and summarized to the sale level. There is often a one to one relationship between a VDU and a Payment Unit, but not always, depending on the cruise design. Refer to the VDU TO PAYMENT UNIT table.

	VOLUME			RANGE IN CORDS	
VDU	TOTAL CUBIC FEET	TOTAL CORDS	PERCENT ERROR	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
8	49,222	623	0.00%	623	623
20	14,997	190	0.00%	190	190
22	5,508	70	0.00%	70	70
TOTAL:	69,728	883		883	883

VDU TO PAYMENT UNIT

When a VDU is associated with more than one Payment Unit (PU), the VDU volumes are assigned to the PU based on acres of the VDU within the PU.

VDU	VDU ACRES	PU	PU ACRES
TOTAL:			

DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER BY PU (PU)

PU	MARKET GROUP	PRODUCT	QUANTITY	UNIT	ACRES	ADVERTISE PRICE
1	Red Pine	Pulpwood	190	Cords	27.2	\$950.00
2	Red Pine	Pulpwood	623	Cords	89.3	\$3,115.00
3	Red Pine	Pulpwood	70	Cords	10.0	\$350.00
		883	Cords			

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: Ice Carving Salvage

Sale Number: 52-018-25 Seq#: 3

1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted Boundaries (9/19)

The sale boundary and Payment Unit boundaries are marked and identified by red, blue, and yellow paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against private property are marked with blue paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint or defined by timber cover type change (see Timber Sale Map). Interior sale boundary lines are marked with yellow paint. The painted boundary line trees are Included Timber if they are a pine species and are to be harvested along state boundaries. The painted boundary line trees along private property are Not Included timber and not to be harvested.

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 except special protection trees identified by green paint. Special protection trees defined in accordance with spec 3.4.2 are Not Included timber and are to be protected.

2.1.4 - Designated Timber Unit(s) (6/17)

Within Payment Unit(s) 2 and 3, all ice-damaged red pine trees are designated for cutting which meet minimum piece specifications in 2.2 Utilization. Ice-damaged trees are defined as the following: All damaged red pine with less than 50% crown remaining as compared to nearby undamaged red pine. This also includes all red pine trees that are leaning at an angle greater than 30 degrees. Whole red pine and portions of red pine which are tipped and down or broken off and down are included timber and may be salvaged.

2.1.11 - Description of Timber Note (2/04)

Note that this is an ice storm salvage sale. All Payment Units will be scaled by the Sale Administrator. Chipping of the Sale Area will not be required but is encouraged (see sale condition 5.2.1.11). If chipped, the Purchaser must provide electronic confirmation of scale tickets at a minimum of once per week. To convert red pine chip weight to cords, we will use a conversion of 1 cord = 1.9 tons or 1 cord = 3,800 pounds. This is from the USDA's Timber Management Field Book, 2008 Edition Table 2.10 Weight Table for Various Woods.

Species other than red pine will be scaled as follows: Mixed Aspen: \$16.50/cd White Pine: \$19.00/cd Jack Pine: \$13.50/cd Mixed Hdwd: \$14.00/cd Mixed Oak: \$7.50/cd

2.2 - Utilization

2.2.3 - Stump Heights (12/24)

Stump heights within payment unit 1 shall not exceed six (6) inches for all trees. This is in order to facilitate planting operations.

3 - Payments

3.2 - Scaled Sales

3.2.1 - Scale Location (2/04)

Forest products will be placed for measurement in an area identified by the Sale Administrator. In addition, negotiate with the Sale Administrator to determine the frequency of the scaling.

3.4 - Damaged Timber

3.4.2 - Special Protection Trees (1/25)

The Purchaser shall not cut live or dead special protection trees within cutting units or clearings. Special protection trees are marked with green paint. Trees marked in green paint are of wildlife value and are to be protected. Special protection trees are located in Payment Unit 1 only. If Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection trees through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$300 as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for each special protection tree cut or damaged. Such payment does not constitute ownership of the undesignated 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 (3/23)

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 contract prices or average prices, if not on the contract.

4.1.6 - Road Construction (4/24)

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, 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. Temporary berms may be required if no sale activity occurs for 30 or more consecutive days. Contact the Sale Administrator for specific details of design and placement.

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.3 - Road maintenance (8/13)

The following road maintenance may be needed: Within 60 days of completion of hauling, or if no hauling occurs for 60 days, the road must be maintained and graded. This includes cleaning of drainage areas, grading, crowning and filling with gravel, if necessary. Damages will be assessed if grading/repair does not occur.

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

5.1.1 - Pre-sale Conference (10/16)

A pre-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and Sale Administrator is required prior to beginning any operations to determine landing and road locations.

5.1.3 - Well Heads and Natural Gas Pipelines (11/15)

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

5.1.4 - Post-Sale Conference (10/16)

A post-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and sale administrator is required five (5) days prior to the completion of active logging operations to determine clean-up and repair of landings, road edges, and the fulfillment of other contract

specifications.

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.11 - Slash for Reforestation (3/21)

Within the Sale Area or Payment Unit(s) 1, chipping is not required, but it is encouraged, as it is the most effective and efficient way to mitigate slash for reforestation. Other tactics to mitigate slash for site preparation would need to be approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

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.

5.2.38 - No Decking Against Live Trees (2/04)Cut products may not be decked against unmarked or designated leave trees.

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 are 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.

5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

5.8.5 - Protection of Raptor Nests (3/13)

All trees with raptor nests will be protected if found during harvesting operations. Notification will be made to the Unit Manager or his/her representative who will notify the Wildlife Biologist so an onsite evaluation and recommendation can be made, if necessary.

6 - Safety and Fire Prevention

6.2 - Signing

6.2.1 - Road Posting (10/20)

The Purchaser is responsible for posting and maintaining caution signs on Sherman or Marlette 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.

7 - Other Conditions

7.2 - Extensions

7.2.2 - No Extensions (3/09)

There will be no extensions granted on this contract. This is an ice-damage salvage harvest that requires timber to be removed efficiently to recover value.

7.5 - Loss

7.5.1 - Deteriorating Timber (7/09)

The Sale Area has received damage from an ice storm in late March 2025. The Purchaser should harvest the wood as soon as possible. The Department of Natural Resources is held free of responsibility of any further damage or deterioration due to delay in harvesting.

Section Name: Sale Specific

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