

# **Compartment Review Presentation**

**Escanaba Forest Management Unit** 

Compartment 33009 Entry Year 2019 Acreage: 790

**County Menominee** 

Management Area: Menominee End Moraine

Revision Date: 2017-06-30 Stand Examiner: Dustin Salter

**Legal Description:** 

T37N R28W Sections 21, 22, and 23

#### **Identified Planning Goals:**

This compartment is a mix of upland aspen and pine stands, with a large percentage of lowland conifer stands mixed in. The spruce budworm has been present for the past decade, causing a significant amount of balsam fir and spruce mortality. The eastern larch beetle is present and is causing tamarack mortality. The stands that contain a significant portion of spruce, balsam fir, and tamarack are being prescribed for harvest. With the intent of regenerating the stands and minimizing the loss of volume. The large white pine stands will be treated. Some of them already have advanced regeneration that needs to be released and the others will be thinned or opened up to allow for regeneration. The mature aspen stands will also be harvested. A few of the mature lowland conifer/hardwood stands will also be harvested, while there is an opportunity to regenerate them before the pests that are currently present along with the emerald ash borer causes significant mortality.

### Soil and topography:

The topography is nearly level with some gently rolling hills. Soils include poorly drained black muck over sand and well drained loamy sand over gravelly sand. Prominent soil series are Lupton-Tawas, Pemene-Rubicon, Mancelona-Nadeau, and Tawas-Banat-Nadeau.

## Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment:

This compartment is located on the northern edge of a block of state land that is about 20 miles long and 8 miles wide in the southwestern portion of Menominee County. This compartment has no private ownership within its boundaries. This compartment blocks in with other state land on its North and East sides. The primary uses for the land in this area are recreation and farming.

#### **Unique Natural Features:**

None

#### Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

None known

#### **Special Management Designations or Considerations:**

None

#### **Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:**

The Pemenee Creek flows through this compartment with a number of feeder creeks and drainages flowing into it.

#### Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

Ecological Context: This compartment is near the transition between 2

landscape ecosystems--sandy outwash plains and loamy ground moraine. Historically, this area supported white pine, red pine, aspen, birch, northern hardwoods, and swamps of cedar. Today this small compartment contains most of these same cover types.

This compartment contains several aspen stands. A portion of this aspen will be harvested and regenerated, providing habitat for early-successional wildlife such as deer, grouse, and woodcock. A portion of the aspen will remain in other age classes ensuring the development of vegetative diversity within stands. Interest was expressed by forest managers to treat some of the cedar and swamp conifer acreage, especially in light of forest health concerns. Wildlife Division worked with Forest Resources Staff to preserve valuable winter shelter, whiling allowing some harvest of cedar in stands recognizing the value of wood product.

#### Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

There is metallic mineral potential in this area, and there has been some past mineral exploration. In addition, there has been past leasing in the area, and Aquila Resources recently leased state minerals just south of the compartment for metallic mineral exploration. Sand/gravel pits are not located in the area but there does appear to be some potential on upland areas. No economic oil and gas production has been found in the UP. There is an active gravel pit within stand 14.

#### **Vehicle Access:**

Access into the south and eastern portions of this compartment is from a good dirt road running north off of County Road G-18. There are also a number of two track roads leading off from this dirt road. Access into the portion of the compartment north of Pemenee Creek is off of the Houte's Spur Road.

#### **Survey Needs:**

One registered corner will need to be set.

#### **Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:**

There are no developed facilities within this compartment. The primary uses of this compartment are hunting, fishing, four wheeling, and snowmobiling.

#### **Fire Protection:**

The majority of the compartment is easily accessible. There are numerous water sources also present. The upland portions of this compartment are very well drained, so they dry out quickly. These stands have potential for a fast moving fire, but these upland stands are broken up by a number of lowland conifer stands.

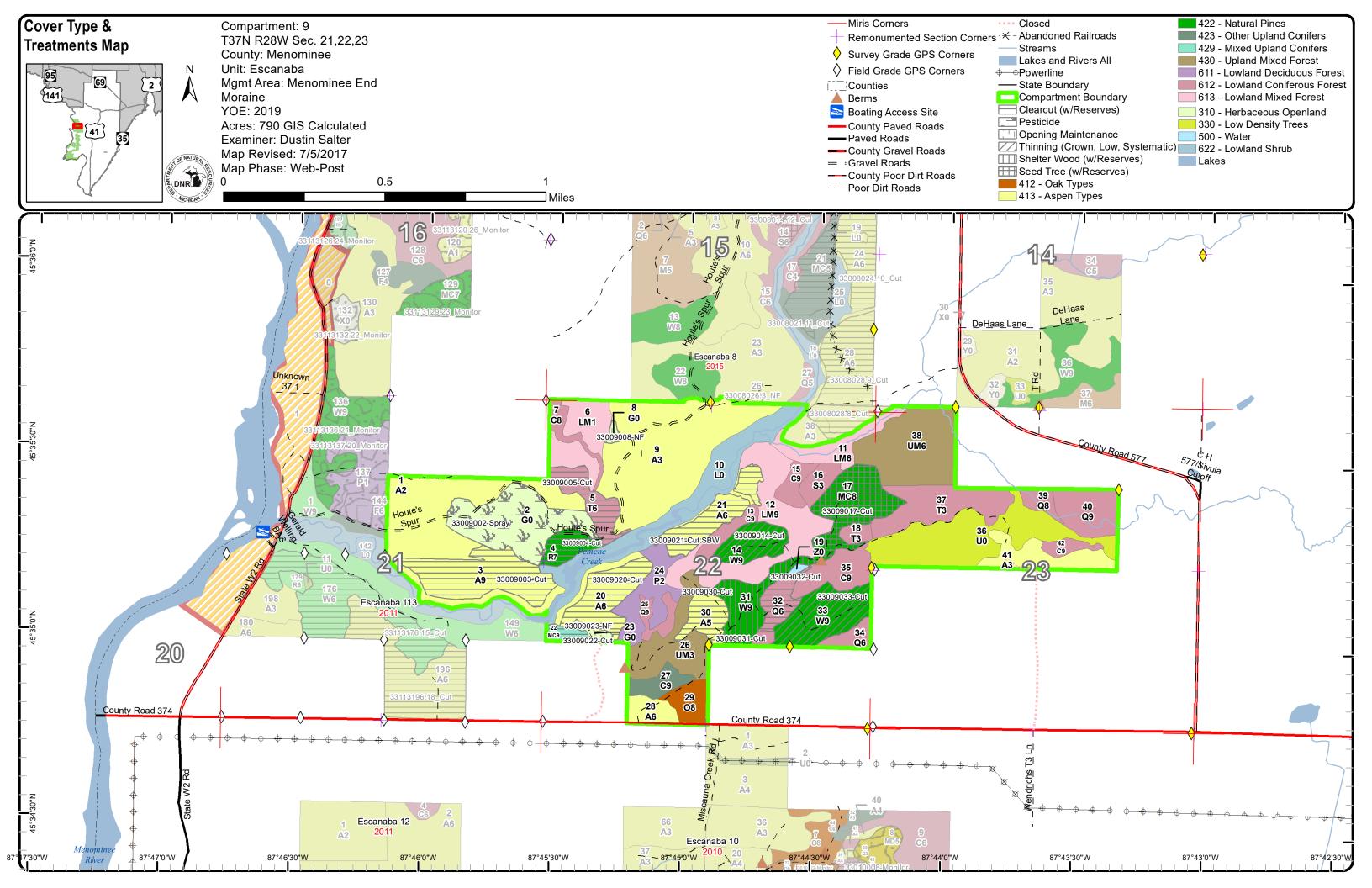
#### **Additional Compartment Information:**

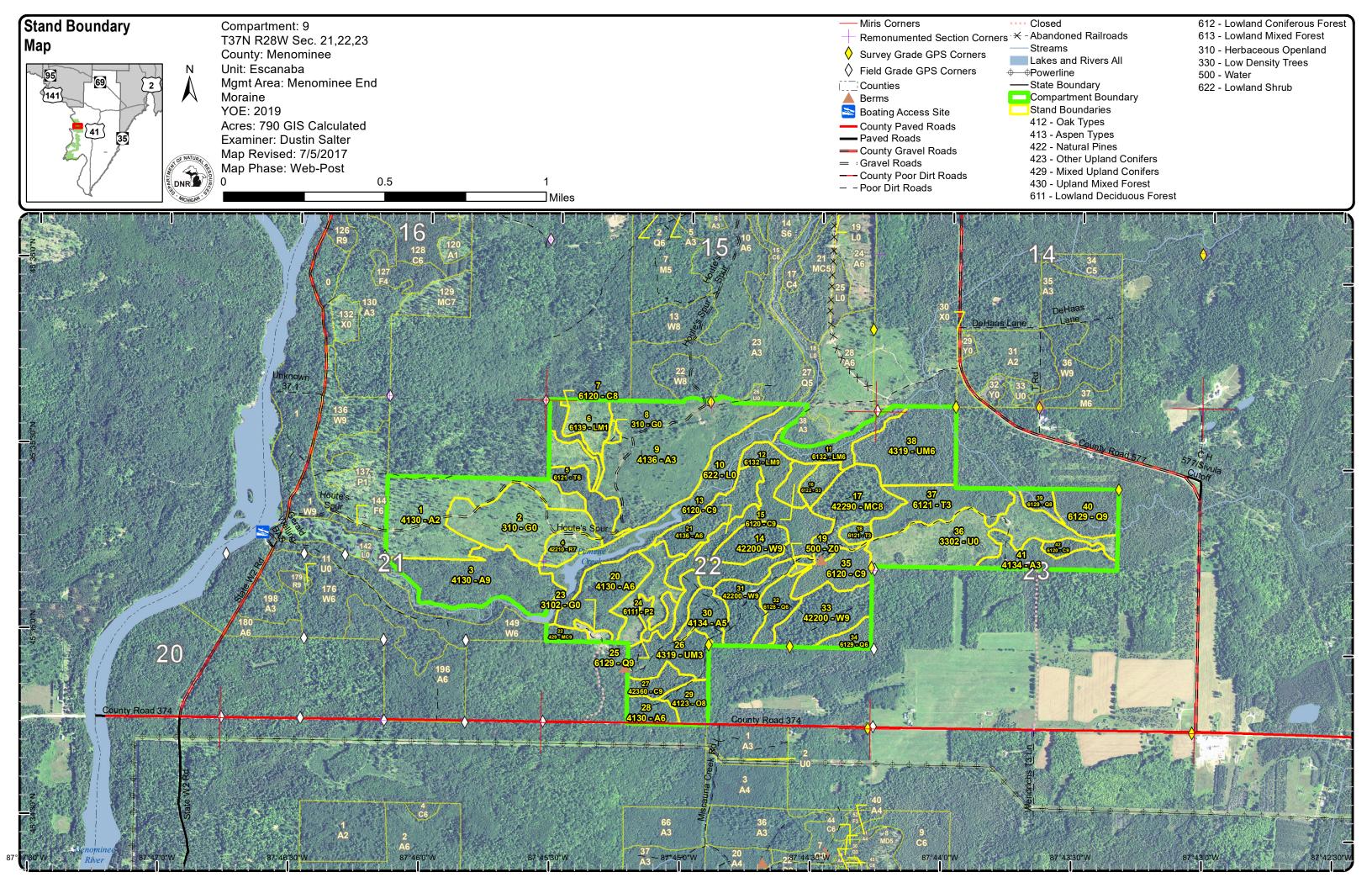
The following reports from the Inventory are attached:

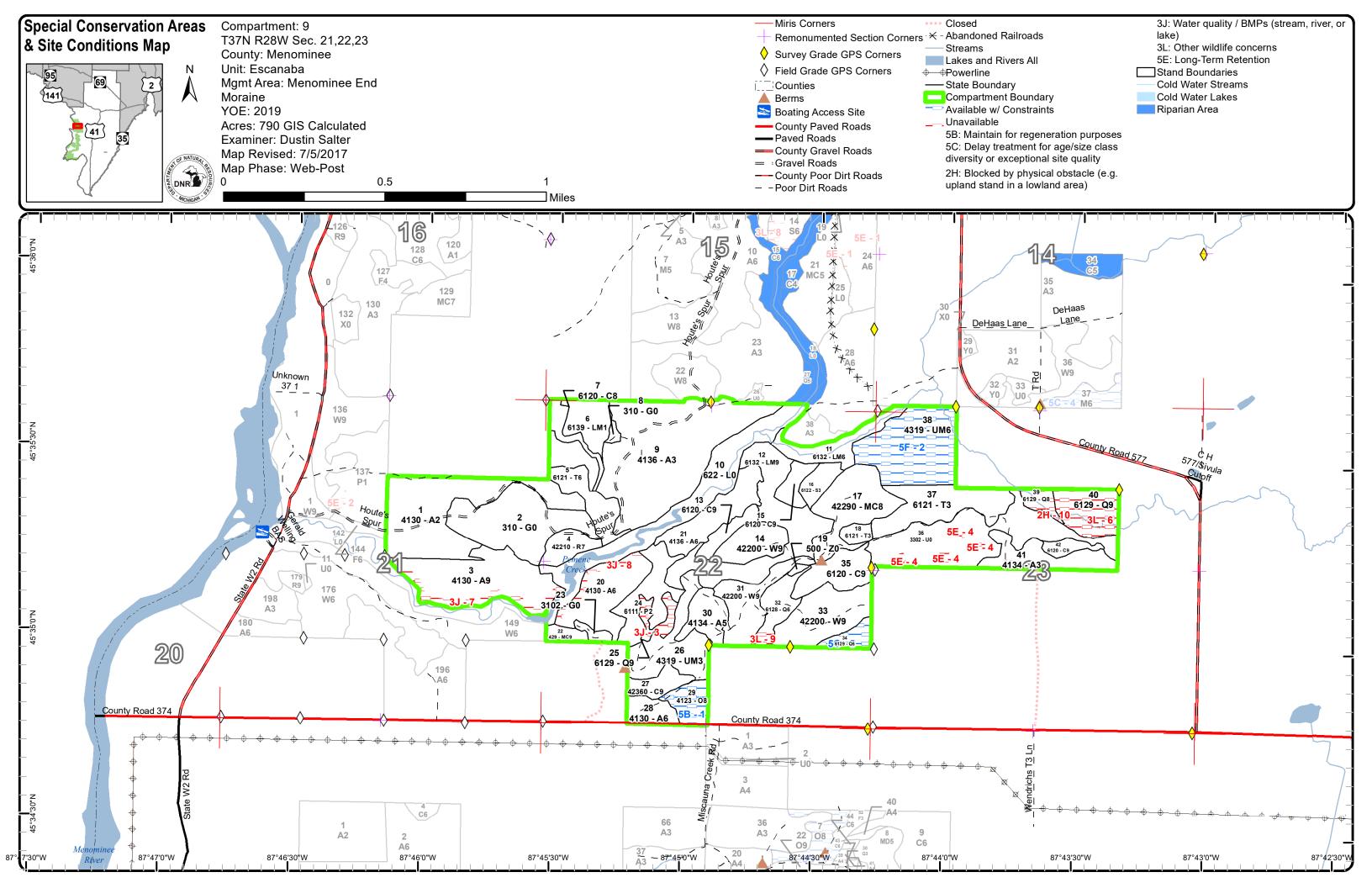
Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class
Cover Type by Harvest Method
Proposed Treatments – No Limiting Factors
Proposed Treatments – With Limiting Factors
Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested)
Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas
Site Condition Details

The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:

Base feature information, stand boundaries, cover types, and numbers Proposed treatments
Site condition boundaries
Details on the road access system







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### Age Class

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|-----------------------------|----------------|--|-------|----|----|-----|--------|-------------|-------|----------------|-----|----------|-------|---------------------------------------|---|-----|-----|---------|-------|
| Aspen                       | 0              | 130  | 17    | 8  | 0  | 55  | 45     | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 255   |
| Cedar                       | 0              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 18       | 27    | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 45    |
| Herbaceous Openland         | 42             | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 42    |
| Low-Density Trees           | 49             | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 49    |
| Lowland Aspen/Balsam Poplar | 0              | 18   | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 18    |
| Lowland Conifers            | 0              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 22  | 6        | 17    | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 44    |
| Lowland Mixed Forest        | 0              | 20   | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 54       | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 74    |
| Lowland Shrub               | 44             | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 44    |
| Lowland Spruce/Fir          | 0              | 0  | 6     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 6     |
| Natural Mixed Pines         | 0              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 27       | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 27    |
| Oak                         | 0              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 9        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 9     |
| Red Pine                    | 0              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 9     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 8     |
| Tamarack                    | 0              | 0  | 4     | 26 | 14 | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 44    |
| Upland Conifers             | 0              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 4        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 4     |
| Upland Mixed Forest         | 0              | 0  | 0     | 24 | 39 | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 63    |
| Water                       | 1              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 0   | 0        | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 1     |
| White Pine                  | 0              | 0  | 0     | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0      | 0           | 0     | 0              | 14  | 44       | 0     | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 58    |
| Total                       | 136            | 168  | 27    | 58 | 53 | 55  | 45     | 0           | 9     | 0              | 36  | 162      | 44    | 0                                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0       | 791   |



# **Report 2 – Treatment Summary**

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#### **Acres of Harvest**

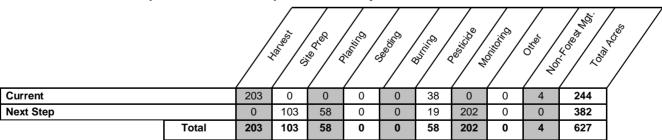
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Commercial Harvest - 202 Harvests with Site Condition - 0 Next Step Harvest - 0 Habitat Cut - 0

# **Cover Type by Harvest Method**

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| Aspen               |       | 84  | 0     | 0               | 0     | 0                                      | 0        | 0           | 0              | 0      | 84  |   |
| Lowland Conifers    |       | 9   | 0     | 0               | 0     | 0                                      | 0        | 0           | 0              | 0      | 9   |   |
| Natural Mixed Pines |       | 0   | 0     | 0               | 27    | 0                                      | 0        | 0           | 0              | 0      | 27  |   |
| Red Pine            |       | 9   | 0     | 0               | 0     | 0                                      | 0        | 0           | 0              | 0      | 9   |   |
| Tamarack            |       | 14  | 0     | 0               | 0     | 0                                      | 0        | 0           | 0              | 0      | 14  |   |
| Upland Conifers     |       | 4   | 0     | 0               | 0     | 0                                      | 0        | 0           | 0              | 0      | 4   |   |
| White Pine          |       | 0   | 0     | 0               | 0     | 19                                     | 38       | 0           | 0              | 0      | 57  |   |
|                     | Total | 119 | 0     | 0               | 27    | 19                                     | 38       | 0           | 0              | 0      | 203 |   |

## **Proposed and Next Step Treatments by Method**



Escanaba Mgt. Unit Report 3 -- Treatments Compartment: 9 s Year of Entry: 2019 а **Treatment** Acres Stand Size Stand BA **Treatment Treatment Cover Type** Age Approval n Method Objective Status Name Density Structure d CoverType Age Range **Type** 33009002-4211 - Planted 2 38.2 310 - Herbaceous Nonstocked 0 Unspec Pesticide Skidder/Mechanic Even-Aged Proposal Red Pine **Spray** Openland ified al **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Prescription Herbicide stand to prepare for planting red pine, per TMS instructions. Specs: Next Step SitePrep, Trenching; Planting, Initial Plant; Monitoring, Artificial Regen(3yr) Treatments: Acceptable Planted Red Pine Regen: Other Comment: Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2018 33009003-Cut 33.5 4130 - Aspen Sapling Immatu Harvest Clearcut with 413 - Aspen Even-Aged Proposal Medium re Retention **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except leave some scattered pine. The buffer along Pemene Creek will be the retention. Specs: Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) Treatments: Acceptable Aspen, spruce/fir, and pine. Regen: Other Comment: **Proposed Start Date:** 10/01/2018 33009004-Cut 8.5 42210 - Natural Red Sawtimber 1-50 Harvest Clearcut 4211 - Planted Even-Aged Proposal Pine Poor Red Pine Site Condition: **Habitat Cut: No** Prescription Cut all trees greater than 2" inches. No retention will be left. Specs: Next Step Pesticide, Skidder/Mechanical; SitePrep, Trenching; Planting, Initial Plant; Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) Treatments: <u>Acceptable</u> Planted red pine.

Regen:

Other Following the harvest herbicide, trench, and plant red pine per TMS instructions.

Comment:

**Proposed Start Date:** 10/01/2018

33009005-Cut 13.6 6121 - Tamarack Poletimber 37 81-110 Harvest Clearcut with 6129 - Mixed Even-Aged Proposal

Well

Retention Coniferous Lowland Forest

**Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** 

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except retain a buffer along the small creek/drain that flows through the eastern portion of the stand.

Specs:

Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory)

**Treatments:** 

Acceptable Tamarack, spruce/fir, balm, and aspen.

Regen:

Other Comment:

Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2018

Escanaba Mgt. Unit Report 3 -- Treatments Compartment: 9 s Year of Entry: 2019 а **Treatment** Acres Stand Size Stand BA **Treatment Treatment Cover Type** Approval n Age Method Objective Name Density Structure **Status** d CoverType Age Range **Type** 33009008-NF 8 1.2 310 - Herbaceous Nonstocked Unspec NonForestMgt Herbaceous/Crop/ 310 -Proposal Herbaceous Openland ified **Grass Planting** Openland **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Prescription Prescribed fire, farming (dozing, disking, raking, herbiciding, seeding (native or naturalized species only)), fertilizing and liming, brushhog/saw removal of competing trees and establishment of native hard and soft mast producers such as red oak, crabapple or others. Specs: Next Step Treatments: <u>Acceptable</u> Regen: Other Comment: Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2018 33009014-Cut 13.5 42200 - Natural Sawtimber 96 141-Harvest Crown Thinning 4220 - Natural Uneven-Proposal White Pine Well 170 White Pine Aged **Habitat Cut:** No **Site Condition:** Prescription Cut all hardwood, spruce/fir, and aspen/balm greater than 3" inches. In addition, thin the stand down to 70 to 80 BA. Specs: Next Step Treatments: Acceptable White pine, red pine, cedar, and spruce/fir. Regen: Other Comment: **Proposed Start Date:** 10/01/2018 33009017-Cut 26.8 42290 - Natural Sawtimber 107 51-80 Harvest Seed Tree with 42260 - Natural Uneven-Proposal Mixed Pine Medium Retention Pine, Mixed Aged Deciduous **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Cut all trees 4" inches and greater; except mark to retain some white pine, red pine, and cedar seed trees. In the open areas leave 10 BA and the Prescription areas that are denser leave 20 BA, to provide seed and some partial shade. Following the harvest scarify the areas without advanced regeneration. Specs: Next Step SitePrep, Scarification; Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) Treatments: Acceptable Pine, aspen, and spruce/fir. Regen: Other Comment: **Proposed Start Date:** 10/01/2018 33009020-Cut 21.1 4130 - Aspen Poletimber 50 51-80 Harvest Clearcut 413 - Aspen Even-Aged Proposal Well

Habitat Cut: No

Site Condition:

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches. No retention will be left due to the low quality stand and the presence of the budworm.

Specs:

Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory)

Treatments:

Acceptable Aspen, white pine, and spruce/fir.

Other Comment:

Regen:

Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2018

Escanaba Mgt. Unit Report 3 -- Treatments Compartment: 9 s Year of Entry: 2019 а **Treatment** Acres Stand Size Stand BA **Treatment Treatment Cover Type** n Age Approval Method Name Objective Structure Status d CoverType Density Age Range Type 33009021-Cut 21 18.5 4136 - Aspen, Mixed Poletimber 52 51-80 Harvest Clearcut 413 - Aspen Even-Aged Field Boundary SBW Conifer Well **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Prescription Clearcut: cut all trees 3" dbh and greater. Specs: Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) Treatments: Acceptable Acceptable regeneration of aspen and other species currently of site. Regen: Other This stand was evaluated for SBW in January 2016 and proposed to treat. WLD approves. Comment: Proposed Start Date: 01/21/2016 33009022-Cut 3.6 429 - Mixed Upland Sawtimber 111-Harvest Clearcut with 4133 - Aspen. Even-Aged Proposal Mixed Pine Conifers Well 140 Retention **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except mark to leave some scattered pine and oak seed trees. Specs: Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) Treatments: Acceptable Aspen, pine, maple, birch, and spruce/fir. Regen: Other Comment: **Proposed Start Date:** 10/01/2018 33009023-NF 3102 - Grass Nonstocked Unspec NonForestMqt Herbaceous/Crop/ 310 -Proposal ified **Grass Planting** Herbaceous Openland **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Prescription Prescribed fire, farming (dozing, disking, raking, herbiciding, seeding (native or naturalized species only)), fertilizing and liming, brushhog/saw removal

of competing trees and establishment of native hard and soft mast producers such as red oak, crabapple or others. Specs:

Next Step **Treatments:** 

Acceptable Regen:

Other Comment:

Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2018

33009030-Cut 10.9 Poletimber 4211 - Planted 4134 - Aspen, 51-80 Harvest Clearcut Even-Aged Proposal Spruce/Fir Medium Red Pine

**Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** 

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 2" inches. No retention will be left due to forest health concerns and conversion to red pine.

Specs:

Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory); Pesticide, Skidder/Mechanical; SitePrep, Trenching; Planting, Initial Plant

Treatments:

Acceptable Planted red pine

Regen: Other

Possibly harvest this stand to maximize the volume salvaged.

Comment:

Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2017

Escanaba Mgt. Unit Report 3 -- Treatments Compartment: 9 s Year of Entry: 2019 а **Treatment** Acres Stand Size Stand BA **Treatment Treatment Cover Type** Age Approval n CoverType Method Objective Status Name Density Age Structure d Range Type 33009031-Cut 42200 - Natural Shelterwood 4220 - Natural 31 18.6 Sawtimber 107 111-Harvest Two-Aged Proposal White Pine White Pine Well 140 Site Condition: **Habitat Cut: No** Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except mark to retain about 30 BA of pine, oak, and cedar for seed and to provide partial shade. No trees will be left around the gravel pit, to allow for future use/expansion. Specs: Next Step SitePrep, Scarification; Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) Treatments: Acceptable White and red pine, oak, cedar, maple, and spruce/fir. Regen: Other Comment: Proposed Start Date: 10/01/2018 33009032-Cut 6128 - Lowland 81-110 6139 - Mixed Poletimber Harvest Clearcut with Even-Aged Proposal Coniferous, Mixed Lowland Forest Well Retention Deciduous **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches. The retention will be the dense area of cedar along the southern edge. Specs: Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) **Treatments:** Acceptable Tamarack, spruce/fir, balm, cedar, maple, and ash. Regen: Other Comment:

White Pine **Habitat Cut: No Site Condition:** 

24.9

Prescription This stand down to 70 to 80 BA, by cutting all aspen/balm, hardwood, spruce/fir greater than 3" inches and marking enough pine, cedar, and oak to Specs:

Harvest

Crown Thinning

42290 - Natural

Mixed Pine

Even-Aged

Proposal

get to the desired BA.

Next Step Treatments:

**Proposed Start Date:** 

33009033-Cut

Acceptable White and red pine, cedar, spruce/fir, and oak.

10/01/2018

42200 - Natural

Sawtimber

Well

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140

Regen:

Other Comment:

**Proposed Start Date:** 10/01/2018

**Total Treatment** Acreage Proposed: 244.3

Compartment: 9

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|--|-------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|-------|---------|--------|---------|----|----|----|
| Total  | Acres       | Acres Avail    | Acres         | D                           | omina | nt Site | e Cond | ditions | S  |    |    |
| Acres  | Available   | With Condition | Not Available |                             | 5B    | 5C      | 5F     | 2H      | 3J | 3L | 5E |
| 255  | 241         | 0              | 14            | Aspen                       |       |         |        |         | 14 |    |    |
| 45   | 45          | 0              | 0             | Cedar                       |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 42   | 42          | 0              | 0             | Herbaceous Openland         |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 49   | 47          | 0              | 2             | Low-Density Trees           |       |         |        |         |    |    | 2  |
| 18   | 18          | 0              | 0             | Lowland Aspen/Balsam Poplar |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 44   | 9           | 6              | 29            | Lowland Conifers            |       | 6       |        | 5       | 6  | 19 |    |
| 74   | 74          | 0              | 0             | Lowland Mixed Forest        |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 44   | 44          | 0              | 0             | Lowland Shrub               |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 6  | 6           | 0              | 0             | Lowland Spruce/Fir          |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 27   | 27          | 0              | 0             | Natural Mixed Pines         |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 9  | 0           | 9              | 0             | Oak                         | 9     |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 8  | 8           | 0              | 0             | Red Pine                    |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 43   | 43          | 0              | 0             | Tamarack                    |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 4  | 4           | 0              | 0             | Upland Conifers             |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 63   | 24          | 39             | 0             | Upland Mixed Forest         |       |         | 39     |         |    |    |    |
| 1  | 1           | 0              | 0             | Water                       |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 57   | 57          | 0              | 0             | White Pine                  |       |         |        |         |    |    |    |
| 790  | 690         | 54             | 45            | Total Forested Acres        | 9     | 6       | 39     | 5       | 20 | 19 | 2  |
| <u>-                                    </u> | 87%         | 7%             | 6%            | Relative Percent            |       | -       | -      |         |    |    |    |

\*Due to limitations in the current Site Conditions Analysis tool, all nonforested acres are considered available. Future development will enable analysis of nonforested types.

| Site<br>No. | Dominant Site<br>Cond Availability | Dominant Site Condition                | Acres | Other Site Condition | Other Site Condition | Other Site Condition | Other Site Condition |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--|-------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1           | Available                          | 5B: Maintain for regeneration purposes | 9     | Unspecified          | Unspecified          | Unspecified          | Unspecified          |
| C           | Comments:                          |  |       |                      |                      |                      |                      |

This stand has 30 to 50 BA of mature oak that should be harvested, but there is a very dense understory of advanced regeneration that would be severely damaged if the oak was removed.

# **Report 4 – Site Conditions**

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| 2 | Available                         | 5F: Evaluated for Forest<br>Health Considerations                            | 39       | Unspecified  | Unspecified               | Unspecified                | Unspecified        |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|----------|--|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
|   | Comments:<br>There is major defo  | oliation on the spruce/fir, but the  | ere isn' | t enough volume to try and c   | lo a salvage harvest.     |                            |                    |
| 3 | Unavailable                       | 3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)                            | 6        | 5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality | Unspecified               | Unspecified                | Unspecified        |
|   |                                   | eek that flows through the west<br>s being held for diversity/deer o         |          | tion into Pemene Creek, this   | s was the buffer when sta | nd 24 was harvested. The   | eastern portion is |
| 4 | Unavailable                       | 5E: Long-Term Retention  | 2        | Unspecified  | Unspecified               | Unspecified                | Unspecified        |
|   | Comments:<br>These areas are re   | tention patches retained from t  | he last  | harvest, for deer cover, see   | d, and diversity.         |                            |                    |
| 5 | Available                         | 5C: Delay treatment for age/size class diversity or exceptional site quality | 6        | Unspecified  | Unspecified               | Unspecified                | Unspecified        |
|   |                                   | s stand is being delayed, becaunp in the last 10 years. The low              |          |  |                           | ry period and there have b | een other lowland  |
| 6 | Unavailable                       | 3L: Other wildlife concerns  | 17       | Unspecified  | Unspecified               | Unspecified                | Unspecified        |
|   | Comments:<br>Wildlife didn't want | to harvest this stand, due to po   | ercenta  | ge of cedar within it.   |                           |                            |                    |
| 7 | Unavailable                       | 3J: Water quality / BMPs<br>(stream, river, or lake)                         | 10       | Unspecified  | Unspecified               | Unspecified                | Unspecified        |
|   | Comments:<br>Buffer along Peme    | ne Creek.  |          |  |                           |                            |                    |
|   |                                   |  |          |  |                           |                            |                    |

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| Inspecified | ι | Unspecified | Unspecified                         | Unspecified | 4 | 3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)                      | Unavailable                        | 8  |
|-------------|---|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|---|--|------------------------------------|----|
|             |   |             |                                     |             |   | ne Creek.  | Comments:<br>Buffer along Pemen    | -  |
| Inspecified | l | Unspecified | Unspecified                         | Unspecified | 2 | 3L: Other wildlife concerns  | Unavailable                        | 9  |
|             |   |             |                                     |             |   | tain dense cedar area.   | Comments:<br>Wildlife wants to ret |    |
| Inspecified | l | Unspecified | Unspecified                         | Unspecified | 5 | 2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area) | Unavailable                        | 10 |
| _           |   | ·<br>       | all acreage it isn't feasible at th | ·<br>       |   | obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)                         | Comments: Stand can only be a      |    |

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# Report 5 - PROPOSED SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA\* (SCA) DETAILS

\* This is a partial list of SCAs for this compartment. Not included are those areas identified under other Department initiatives (Natural Rivers, Deer Wintering Areas, etc.). Those will be identified in separate, future map and report products.

| SCA Name                                    | SCA Category         | Detail Type | Recommendation | Acres |
|---|----------------------|-------------|----------------|-------|
|   | Potential Old Growth |             | SCA Removal    | 67    |
| <b>Comments</b> Does not meet SCA criteria. |                      |             |                |       |

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# Report 6 - EXISTING SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA DETAILS

\* This is a list of SCA's for this compartment along with a 1/4 mile buffer surrounding the compartment. Refer to the Special Conservation Area Map for locations of the below listed Conservation Areas.

| Conservati<br>Area | ion Type             | Description   | HCVA = High Conservation Value Area SCA = Special Conservation Area   |
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| SCA                | Cold Water Lake      | A coldwater lake has temperature and dissolved oxygen constocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fish s conditions for coldwater fishes may occur in Michigan lakes i groundwater inflows, or are located in colder (northern) areas Director's action and designated as trout resources by Fisher | pecies to persist from year to year. Suitable if they are relatively deep, have substantial s of the state. Such lakes are established by |
| SCA                | Cold Water<br>Stream | A coldwater stream has temperature and dissolved oxygen of stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fish s year to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically provide contributions of groundwater to their stream flows. Such stre designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 210.        | pecies (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from these conditions due to substantial  |

| S<br>t      | Escanaba                                  | a Mgt. Unit         |       | Report 7     | <ul><li>Forested</li></ul> | Stands Compartment: 9 Year of Entry: 2019  |
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| a<br>n<br>d | Level 4<br>Cover Type                     | Size<br>Density     | Acres | Stand<br>Age | BA<br>Range                | General<br>Comments:   |
| 1           | 4130 - Aspen                              | Sapling<br>Medium   | 50.4  | 4            | Immature                   | Stand was clearcut in 2013-14 on contract 029-11-01. All species were cut; except oak and some pine and spruce were marked to retain. The stand did not fully regenerate, there are numerous small gaps/areas that didn't regenerate well.   |
| 3           | 4130 - Aspen                              | Sawtimber<br>Well   | 43.5  | 46           | 51-80                      | Mature lower quality aspen stand with more pine and spruce in the western 1/3rd of the stand. The spruce budworm has already killed all of the balsam fir, and some of the spruce has already died.  |
| 4           | 42210 - Natural Red<br>Pine               | Sawtimber<br>Poor   | 8.5   | 73           | 1-50                       | Stand was seed tree cut in 2012 on contract 029-11-01. Some red and white pine seed trees were marked to retain. The stand was to be mechanically scarified after harvest to regenerate pine. This was not done, so the overstory should be removed and the stand should be planted with red pine.   |
| 5           | 6121 - Tamarack                           | Poletimber<br>Well  | 13.6  | 37           | 81-110                     | This stand is a mix of lowland and upland. The lowland is primarily tamarack and black spruce and the upland is primarily white spruce and balsam fir. The eastern larch beetle and the spruce budworm are both present and have caused some defoliation/dieback, but no mortality at this time. The stand is not mature, but the majority of the stems are merchantable. This stand should be harvested, before any mortality occurs. There is a drain that runs down from stand 7 through the eastern half of the stand. |
| 6           | 6139 - Mixed Lowland<br>Forest            | Sapling Poor        | 19.9  | 6            | Immature                   | This stand was clearcut in 2011 on contract 028-09-01. There was a retention/buffer area left in the center of the stand, which is now stand 7. The stand is regenerating to a mix of balm and lowland conifer species. This stand should be fully stocked in a couple more years.   |
| 7           | 6120 - Lowland Cedar                      | Sawtimber<br>Medium | 5.8   | 103          | 141-170                    | Good quality cedar stand; except the northern quarter of the stand which is primarily ash. There is a small creek/drain that flows the entire length of the stand. This stand was part of stand 6 when it was harvested, but the dense cedar area was retained, along with a buffer along the creek.   |
| 9           | 4136 - Aspen, Mixed<br>Conifer            | Sapling Well        | 80.1  | 5            | Immature                   | Stand was clearcut in 2011 on contract 028-09-01. The white oak, red pine, and white pine was retained. Overall the stand has regenerated well, except along the east edge. Check in the spring with no snow cover, to determine if there is conifer regeneration present, or if a portion of the stand should be converted to red pine.   |
| 11          | 6132 - Mixed Lowland<br>Forest with Cedar | Poletimber<br>Well  | 14.3  | 105          | 111-140                    | Buffer along Hammond Brook, which runs through the stand.  |
| 12          | 6132 - Mixed Lowland<br>Forest with Cedar | Sawtimber<br>Well   | 39.5  | 105          | 81-110                     | Mature lowland hardwood stand with dense pockets of cedar. All of the species are mature and are in need of harvest. The majority of the balsam fir has already died out, due to the spruce budworm, and the spruce is dying out now. With the threat from the Emerald Ash Borer, the ash should be harvested. There is a small creek that flows through the center portion of the stand and into Pemene Creek.  |

| S<br>t      | Escanaba                        | a Mgt. Unit         |       | Report 7     | - Forested  | Stands Compartment: 9 Year of Entry: 2019  |
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| a<br>n<br>d | Level 4<br>Cover Type           | Size<br>Density     | Acres | Stand<br>Age | BA<br>Range | General<br>Comments:   |
| 13          | 6120 - Lowland Cedar            | Sawtimber<br>Well   | 6.3   | 116          | 111-140     | Dense stand of average quality cedar. The spruce is dying out of the stand. The southern half of the stand has quite a bit of spruce/fir regeneration.   |
| 14          | 42200 - Natural White<br>Pine   | Sawtimber<br>Well   | 13.5  | 96           | 141-170     | Stand was thinned in 1995-96 on contract 004-89-01. Overall a variable stocked mature white pine stand with some conifer regeneration coming in.   |
| 15          | 6120 - Lowland Cedar            | Sawtimber<br>Well   | 6.1   | 111          | 201+        | Overall a very dense good quality stand; except the southern 1/3rd is lower quality. There is quite of blown over cedar in the southern 1/3rd as well.   |
| 16          | 6122 - Black Spruce             | Sapling Well        | 6.4   | 17           | Immature    | Stand was clearcut in 2000 on contract 022-00-01. The cedar and some pine were retained. The stand has fully regenerated with a mix of black spruce and white pine primarily. The balsam fir regeneration is heavily defoliated from the spruce budworm.   |
| 17          | 42290 - Natural Mixed<br>Pine   | Sawtimber<br>Medium | 26.8  | 107          | 51-80       | Stand was thinned in 2000 on contract 022-00-01. The pine was thinned and the shorter lived species were all cut. The current stands, BA ranges from 10 to 140, with the densest area along the western 1/3rd of the stand. The open areas have filled in with aspen and pine regeneration. This regeneration needs to be released and the remainder of the stand needs to be regenerated. |
| 18          | 6121 - Tamarack                 | Sapling Well        | 3.5   | 17           | Immature    | Stand was clearcut in 2000 on contract 022-00-01. The cedar was retained along with some tamarack, spruce, and white pine seed trees. Stand contains very dense tamarack regeneration.   |
| 20          | 4130 - Aspen                    | Poletimber<br>Well  | 25.4  | 50           | 51-80       | Low quality aspen stand with a dense understory of white pine regeneration. The spruce/fir is heavily defoliated by the spruce budworm.  |
| 21          | 4136 - Aspen, Mixed<br>Conifer  | Poletimber<br>Well  | 19.9  | 52           | 51-80       | This stand was identified during the 2016 spruce budworm review as meeting the requirements for an Out of Entry harvest. This stand was put on contract 33-024-17 to cut. The stand is mature, with most of the balsam fir already dying out of the stand and the spruce has severe defoliation. A small creek flows through the northern half of the stand, which was buffered.           |
| 22          | 429 - Mixed Upland<br>Conifers  | Sawtimber<br>Well   | 3.6   | 106          | 111-140     | Mature stand, that is a mix of older pine and younger aspen and hardwood. There is a steep ridge on the southern edge of the stand.  |
| 24          | 6111 - Lowland Balsam<br>Poplar | Sapling<br>Medium   | 17.9  | 4            | Immature    | Stand was clearcut in the winter of 2012-13 on contract 022-09-<br>01. Stand 25 was originally part of this stand, but was retained to buffer a small creek and to protect the dense cedar area. The northern 2/3rds of the stand have good balm and aspen   |

northern 2/3rds of the stand have good balm and aspen regeneration. There is also some lowland conifer seedlings regenerating throughout. This stand will be fully stocked before the next entry cycle.

| S                | Escanaba   | Mgt. Unit            |       | Report 7     | – Forested  | Stands Compartment: 9 Year of Entry: 2019   |
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| t<br>a<br>n<br>d | Level 4<br>Cover Type                            | Size<br>Density      | Acres | Stand<br>Age | BA<br>Range | General<br>Comments:  |
| 25               | 6129 - Mixed Coniferous<br>Lowland Forest        | Sawtimber<br>Well    | 5.5   | 107          | 141-170     | Mature lowland conifer stand. This stand was originally part of stand 24, but was retained when stand 24 was harvested. Part of the stand was retained, because a small creek flows through the west side and there is a higher density of cedar on the east side. The tamarack is dying out of the stand from the Eastern Larch Beetle and spruce is over mature, which is causing it to blow over and snap off. |
| 26               | 4319 - Mixed Upland<br>Forest                    | Sapling Well         | 24.1  | 22           | 1-50        | Stand was cut in 1995 on contract 004-89-01. The pine, oak, and cedar was retained. The stand is about 70% upland with primarily aspen and balm and the lowland areas contain primarily tamarack and spruce/fir. A small creek flows down from stand 25, through the center of this stand and out to the east of the compartment.   |
| 27               | 42360 - Upland Cedar                             | Sawtimber<br>Well    | 7.6   | 102          | 171-200     | Stand was cut in 1994 on contract 004-89-01. All species were cut; except the cedar was retained, along with some white pine.  Mature good quality cedar stand with a dense understory of conifer regeneration.   |
| 28               | 4130 - Aspen                                     | Poletimber<br>Well   | 7.8   | 26           | 1-50        | Stand was clearcut in 1991 on contract 004-89-01. The oak was retained along with some pine. Stand has dense high quality aspen regeneration.   |
| 29               | 4123 - Red Oak                                   | Sawtimber<br>Medium  | 9.3   | 102          | 1-50        | Stand was cut in 1995 on contract 004-89-01. The oak was retained along with some pine. The stand is mature oak with a dense understory of aspen, hardwood, and conifer regeneration. The oak should be harvested, but the damage to the advanced regeneration at this point would be to severe. The oak averages 30 to 50 BA.  |
| 30               | 4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir                         | Poletimber<br>Medium | 10.9  | 41           | 51-80       | This stand was a 50/50 mix of aspen and spruce/fir, but due to the spruce budworm the majority of the balsam fir has already died out and the spruce is heavily defoliated. This stand contains very little volume, but should be salvaged, and increase the percentage of aspen in the stand.  |
| 31               | 42200 - Natural White<br>Pine                    | Sawtimber<br>Well    | 18.6  | 107          | 111-140     | Mature good quality white pine stand. There is an active gravel pit in the northern portion of the stand.   |
| 32               | 6128 - Lowland<br>Coniferous, Mixed<br>Deciduous | Poletimber<br>Well   | 10.8  | 93           | 81-110      | Overall this stand is low quality, the northern half is primarily ash and the southern half is primarily lowland conifer. All of the species are mature. The Eastern Larch Beetle and spruce budworm are present, and have caused defoliation.  |
| 33               | 42200 - Natural White<br>Pine                    | Sawtimber<br>Well    | 24.9  | 107          | 111-140     | Mature high quality white and red pine stand, that is ready to be regenerated. The stand was last thinned about 20 years ago.   |
| 34               | 6129 - Mixed Coniferous<br>Lowland Forest        | Poletimber<br>Well   | 5.7   | 93           | 171-200     | Mature good quality lowland conifer stand. The tamarack and spruce are high quality, but the cedar is lower quality; except along the transition zone. The tamarack are dying out of the stand from the eastern larch beetle.   |
| 35               | 6120 - Lowland Cedar                             | Sawtimber<br>Well    | 15.0  | 116          | 201+        | Good quality cedar stand with some very high quality black spruce pockets mixed in. The western half of the stand has much higher quality cedar.  |

| S<br>t      | Escanaba Mgt. Unit  Level 4 Size          |                     |       | Report 7     | – Forested  | Stands Compartment: 9 Year of Entry: 2019   |
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| a<br>n<br>d | Level 4<br>Cover Type                     | Size<br>Density     | Acres | Stand<br>Age | BA<br>Range | General<br>Comments:  |
| 37          | 6121 - Tamarack                           | Sapling Well        | 26.3  | 28           | 1-50        | This stand was clearcut in 1989. The majority of this stand is lowland, which contains tamarack and balm; and the upland portions contains aspen and spruce/fir. There are just small knobs of upland dispersed throughout the stand. The far eastern end has a higher percentage of spruce/fir, which is being defoliated by the spruce budworm. But, there isn't enough volume to try and salvage.  |
| 38          | 4319 - Mixed Upland<br>Forest             | Poletimber<br>Well  | 39.3  | 32           | 1-50        | This stand is a 50/50 mix of aspen/balm and spruce/fir. Overall the stand is very poor quality. About half of the spruce/fir is residual from the last harvest 32 years ago. The spruce budworm has caused major defoliation on the spruce/fir, but only about half of the spruce/fir is even merchantable. Only about half of the aspen/balm is merchantable. So, overall there isn't enough volume throughout the stand to try and salvage the spruce/fir. Manage the stand for aspen, possibly in 10 years clearcut the stand for aspen. |
| 39          | 6129 - Mixed Coniferous<br>Lowland Forest | Sawtimber<br>Medium | 4.7   | 93           | 51-80       | This stand is about 50% stocked, with all of the species in the canopy being mature. There are some open areas that have advanced conifer regeneration. The Hammond Brook flows along the western and southern edge. The spruce budworm and eastern larch beetle are present and have already caused mortality.   |
| 40          | 6129 - Mixed Coniferous<br>Lowland Forest | Sawtimber<br>Well   | 16.9  | 116          | 141-170     | Stand is a mix of spruce and cedar primarily. The quality of the spruce and cedar varies greatly throughout the stand. Overall the cedar quality is very low, with the exception of the cedar within 100' to 150' of Hammond Book. Hammond Brook runs along the southern edge of the stand. Some tamarack has already died due to the eastern larch beetle and a fair amount od the spruce has snapped off or blown over due to being over mature. This stand needs to be harvested while there is adequate spruce and tamarack seed.       |
| 41          | 4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir                  | Sapling Well        | 17.1  | 16           | Immature    | Stand was clearcut in 2001 on contract 022-00-01. The oak, pine, and cedar were retained. Overall good quality aspen regeneration, with pockets of conifer regeneration. The majority of the spruce/fir is residual from the last harvest. The spruce budworm is defoliating the spruce/fir, but there isn't enough volume to try and salvage it.   |

6120 - Lowland Cedar

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Stand was cut in 2001 on contract 022-00-01. All species were cut; except the cedar and some white pine and spruce. The stand is mature cedar over lowland conifer and balm regeneration. The

stands BA varies from 50 to 140.

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| Stand | Cover Type                       | Acres | Managed<br>Site | General Comments:   |
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| 2     | 310 - Herbaceous Openland        | 38.3  |                 | Stand was clearcut in 2013-14 on contract 029-11-01. All species were cut; except oak and some pine and spruce were marked to retain. This stand was part of stand 1, but this area didn't regenerate very well. Convert this stand to red pine, by planting.   |
| 8     | 310 - Herbaceous Openland        | 1.2   | No              | Poor quality opening with some cherry brush.  |
| 10    | 622 - Lowland Shrub              | 44.1  | No              | The stand is the floodplain of Pemene Creek, which runs through it. The majority of the stand is a mix of tagalder and marsh grass, with clumps of ash and tamarack.  |
| 19    | 500 - Water                      | 0.8   | No              | Little pond with cattails and grass around it.  |
| 23    | 3102 - Grass                     | 2.4   | No              | Grass opening with only some seedlings around the perimeter. Part of this stand was a former borrow pit.  |
| 36    | 3302 - Low Density Conifer Trees | 49.3  |                 | Stand was clearcut in the winter of 2012-13 on contract 022-09-01. There were 4 retention pockets retained totaling about 2.5 acres. Currently about 50% of the stand has regeneration. The eastern 1/3rd of the stand is more upland and has more aspen and balm regeneration. This stand will regenerate to a mix of T, S, Fb, and P primarily. |