

Compartment Review Presentation

Grayling Forest Management Unit

Compartment 72248 Entry Year 2022 Acreage: 2,235

County Crawford

Management Area: Camp Grayling

Revision Date: 2020-04-03

Stand Examiner: Kevin Ehlert

Legal Description:

Crawford County - Lovells Twp: T28N R02W, Sections 7, 15-20; Maple Forest Twp.: T28N R03W- Sections 12, 13, 24

Crawford County - Frederic Township, T27N R04W Sections 1, 2 and 3.

Identified Planning Goals:

To provide an area that allows for National Guard training while maintaining forest health, productivity, sustainability, species diversification, and structural diversity throughout the compartment.

Soil and topography:

The compartment is flat to gently rolling. Soils are primarily Graycalm, Klacking, and Grayling Sands.

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

This compartment and surrounding area is under the 1935 long-term lease agreement L-1479 (Act 154 P.A. 1935) with the Michigan National Guard, Department of Military and Veteran Affairs. The agreement provides for use by the military during their encampment, with no permanent buildings or improvements to be erected. Military needs take precedence over resource management needs on long-term lease lands. The DNR will coordinate all prescribed treatments and associated activities with the National Guard to ensure they are compatible with military training needs. The majority of this compartment is inaccessible to the public due to the Range 40 Complex fence. There is excellent potential for unexploded ordinances within the fence boundary.

Unique Natural Features:

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

None known at this time.

Special Management Designations or Considerations:

Military training and Range 40 complex. The East Branch AuSable River is a designated "Natural River" (HCVA). The entire Compartment is considered a Special Conservation Area (SCA), it is designated under "Research and Development" for military lands.

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

The East Branch AuSable River meanders through section 18 of this compartment. This river is a designated "Natural River". Rivers and streams with this designation are considered High Conservation Value Areas (HCVA). Timber Lake and two other small bodies of water feeding the river are also encompassed by compartment 248. The entire portion of the river and the small lakes found in this compartment are within the fenced portion of Range 40 and are not accessible by public land users.

Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

The range provides excellent habitat for species best suited to large open areas. The range has several fires annually and creates opportunities for plant species that have adapted to ecosystems which are prone to frequent fire events.

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

No known potential exists for commercial metallic mineral production in this part of the state. The closest active sand/gravel pit is just over two miles to the southeast. Sand & gravel potential appears to be good in the compartment. Antrim Shale gas production is occurring less than two miles to the west. No test wells have been drilled within the compartment, but there could be some Antrim potential. Due to low gas prices, potential for additional Antrim development in this area is considered low at this time. The entire compartment is within DMVA's Camp Grayling managed area, and all state-owned mineral rights are classified as non-leasable.

Vehicle Access:

Access is poor. The southern boundary of the compartment is drivable along the range fence. The range fence boundary is easily accessible off of County Road 612 by forest 2-tracks and designated county roads.

Survey Needs:

None at this time.

Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:

None at this time.

Fire Protection:

Range 40 is subject to frequent fire events created by military artillery. Burn out operations along fences boundaries and frequent monitoring help to limit fires to within the range boundaries. Sand and hills are the greatest limiting factors for fire equipment in the event of an escaped fire.

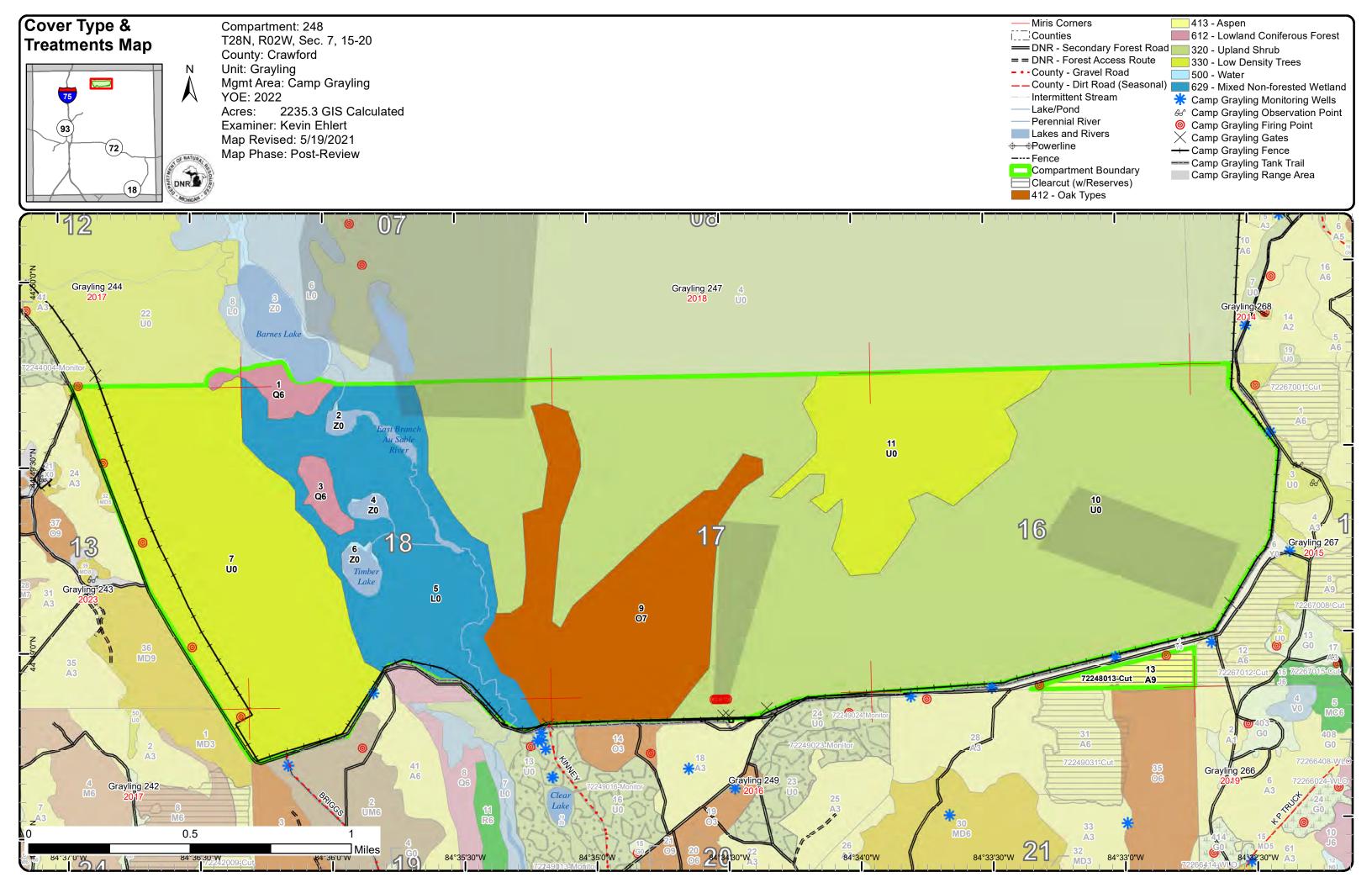
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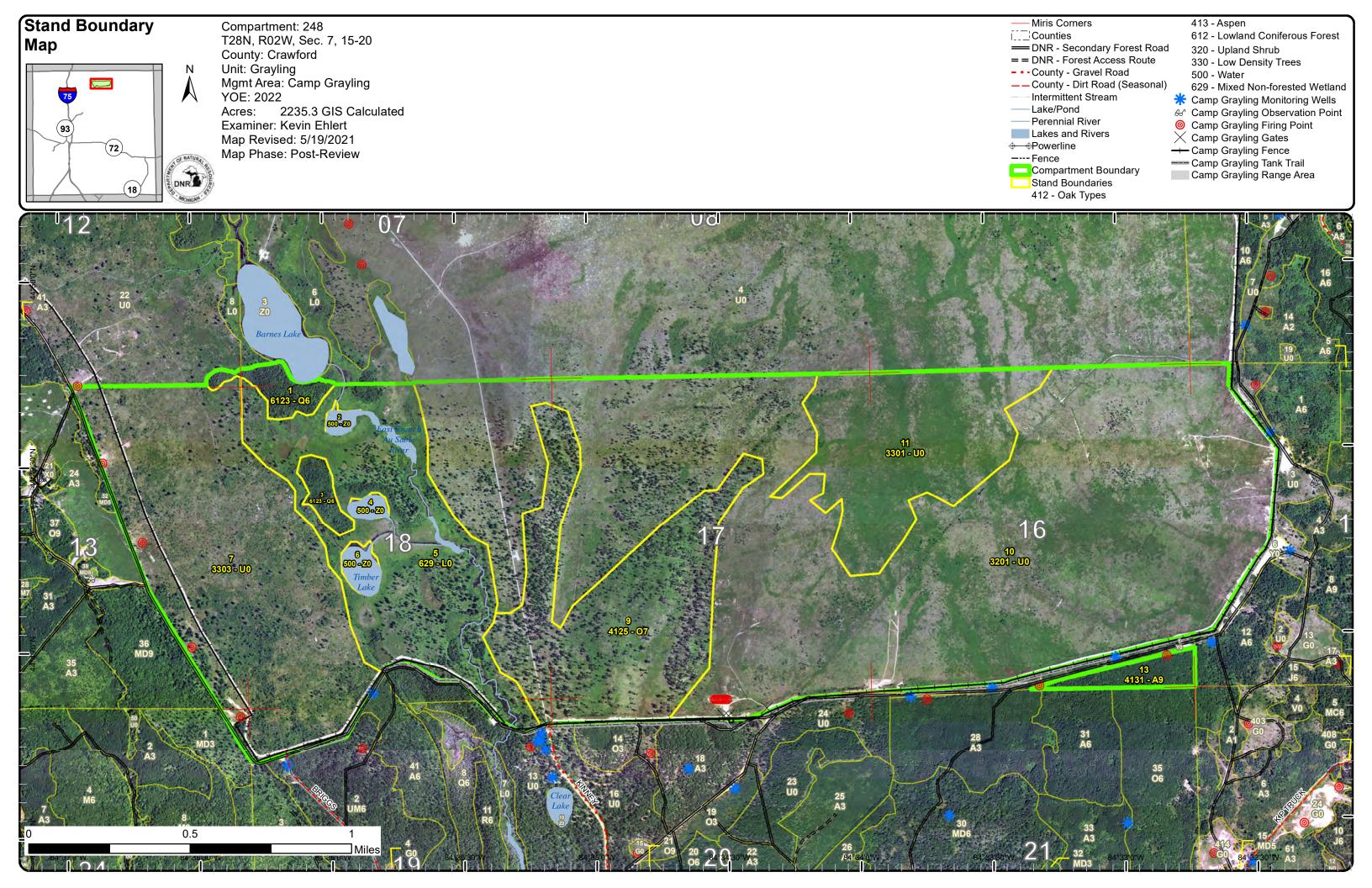
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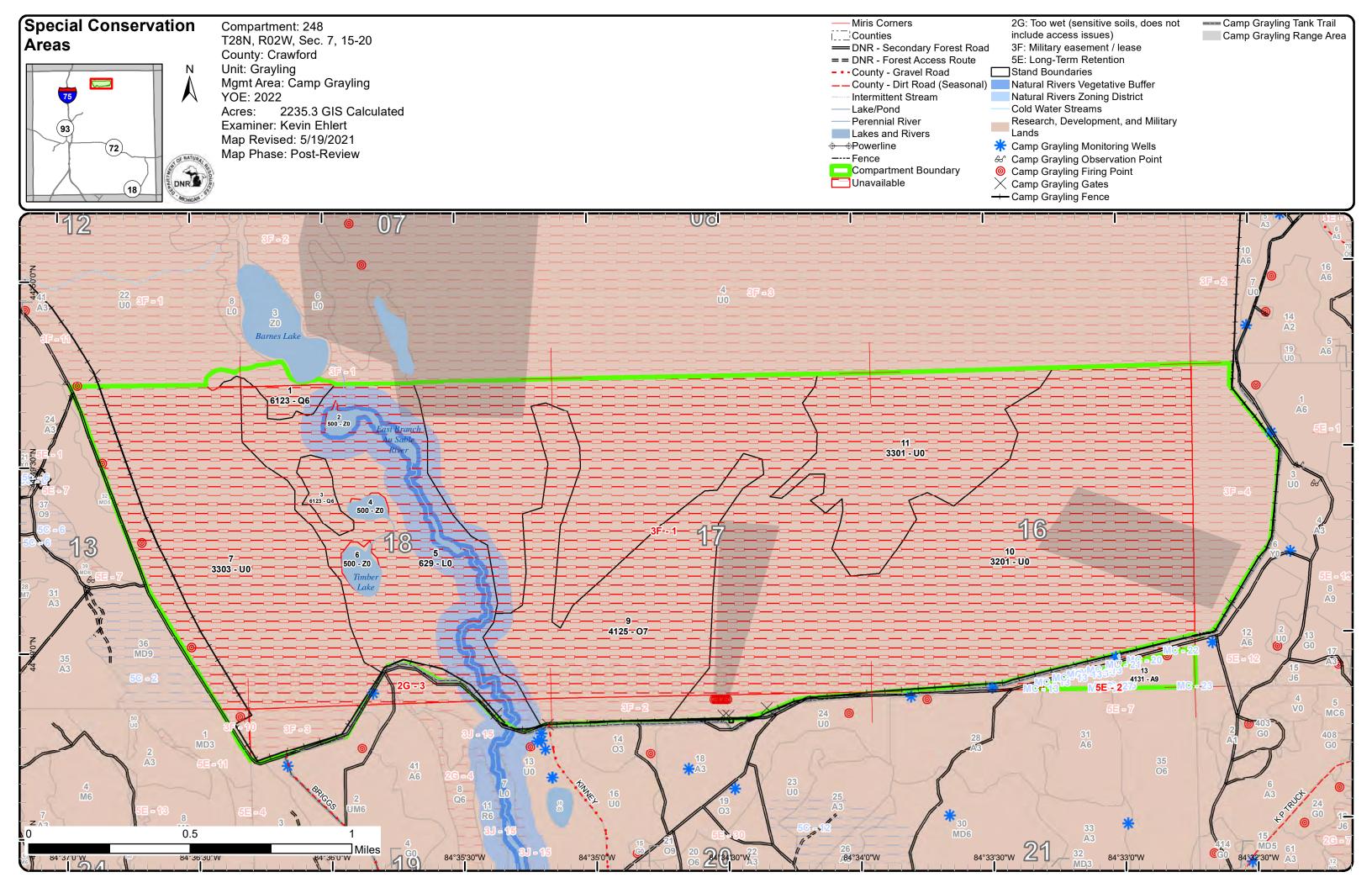
Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class Cover Type by Harvest Method Proposed Treatments – No Limiting Factors Proposed Treatments – With Limiting Factors Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested) Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas Site Condition Details

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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Kevin Ehlert: Examiner



Age Class

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Aspen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	
Low-Density Trees	567	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	567	l
Lowland Conifers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	1
Lowland Shrub	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250	l
Oak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	242	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	242	1
Upland Shrub	1104	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1104	1
Water	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	l
Total	1939	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	276	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2236	l



Report 2 – Treatment Summary

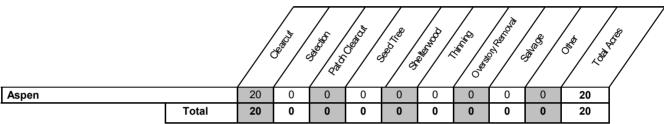
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Acres of Harvest

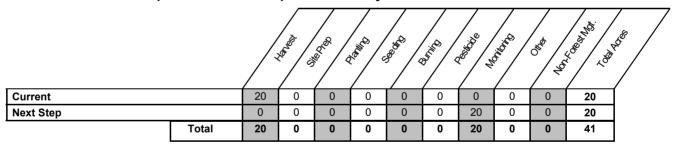
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Commercial Harvest - 20 Harvests with Site Condition - 0 Next Step Harvest - 0 Habitat Cut - 0

Cover Type by Harvest Method



Proposed and Next Step Treatments by Method



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Report 3 -- Treatments

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Acres Stand Size Stand BA Treatment Treatment Cover Type Age Habitat

Type

Method

Objective

Structure

Cut

Approved Treatments:

Treatment

Name

CoverType

Density

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13 72248013-Cut 20.3 4131 - Aspen, Oak Sawtimber Unspec Harvest Clearcut with 413 - Aspen Even-Aged No ified Retention Prescription Final harvest with retention, use drumming log specs Specs: Next Step Monitoring, Natural Regen (Re-Inventory) **Treatments:** Acceptable Mix of aspen, red maple and oak of medium stocking Regen: **Other** Comment: Site Condition Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2011

Total Treatment Acreage Proposed: 20.3

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Availa	ability for	Managemer	nt						
Total	Acres	Acres Avail	Acres		Domina	minant Site Condit			
Acres	Available	With Condition	Not Available		MC	2G	3F	5E	
21	20	1	0	Aspen	1			0	
567	0	0	567	Low-Density Trees			567		
34	0	0	34	Lowland Conifers			34		
250	0	0	250	Lowland Shrub		0	250		
242	0	0	242	Oak			242		
1104	0	0	1103	Upland Shrub			1,103		
18	18	0	0	Water					
2,235	38	1	2,196	Total Forested Acres	1	0	2,196	0	
	2%	0%	98%	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.

Sit No	e Dominant Site o. Cond Availability	Dominant Site Condition	Acres	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	
1	Unavailable	3F: Military easement / lease	2,022	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	
	Comments: Fenced Range 40							
2	Unavailable	5E: Long-Term Retention	0	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	
	Comments:							
3	Unavailable	2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues)	17	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	
	Comments:							

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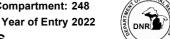


Report 5 - PROPOSED SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA* (SCA) DETAILS

* 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
Comments				

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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.

Conservation Area	n Type	Description	ERA = Ecological Reference Area HCVA = High Conservation Value Area SCA = Special Conservation Area						
SCA	Cold Water Stream	A coldwater stream has temperature and dissolved oxygen conditions that allow naturally-restocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fish species (e.g., slimy sculpin) to pyear to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically provide these conditions due to subst contributions of groundwater to their stream flows. Such streams are established by Director designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 210.							
SCA	Research and Military Areas	These areas provide facilities and lands specifically dedicated fo include the 5,847 acre Forest Fire Experiment Station, the 12,00 Area, the Beaver Islands Archipelago Wildlife Research Area (th High and Hog Islands, all state owned land on Beaver, South Fo. Wildlife Research Area, the 3,000 acre Hunt Creek Fisheries Re Nursery, and over 144,000 acres of Military Lands.	0 acre Houghton Lake Wildlife Research at includes most of Garden Island, all of x and North Fox Islands), the Cusino						
HCVA	Natural Rivers	There are two Natural Rivers datasets which are derived from spatial buffers set from an established approved distance from the river centerlines. The Natural Rivers Zoning District is a 400 foot buffer most Natural Rivers. The Vegetative Buffer ranges from 25 to 100 feet. To view specific Zoning Distand Vegetative Buffers for each Natural River see the table located on the I:\Documentation\GDSE of folder.							

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Stand	d Level 4 Co	over Type		Size De	nsity	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	Managed S	Site	General Comments
1		owland Fir	Size Class	Poletimbe		20.6	81	Unspecified	N/A		No access due to bombing range. Part of Range 40. Prior data looks reasonable compared to nearby similar type outside of the fence and
	Canopy Species Balsam Fir	75	Pole/Sap/Log	DBH	81						what I could see from perimeter road.
		13	Pole	0							
Ne	Black Spruce orthern White Cedar	2	Pole	8	81						
INC	Tamarack	5	Pole	8	81						
		5									
	White Pine	5	Log/Pole	10	81						
2	500 -	Water		Nonsto	cked	3.9		Unspecified	No		Inside fence for Range 40.
3	6123 - Lo	owland Fir	ſ	Poletimbe	er Well	13.4	81	Unspecified	N/A		No access due to bombing range. Part of Range 40. Prior data looks
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DBH	Age						reasonable compared to nearby similar type outside of the fence and what I could see from perimeter road.
	Balsam Fir	70	Pole	8	81						what i could see from perimeter road.
	Black Spruce	15	Pole	8	81						
No	orthern White Cedar	5	Pole	8	81						
	Tamarack	10	Pole	1							
4	500 -	Water		Nonsto	cked	4.4		Unspecified	No		Inside fence for Range 40.
5	629 - Mixed non	-forested v	vetland	Nonsto	cked	249.9		Unspecified	No		This is a drainage area that runs through the range. 3 small lakes drain
						Sub-Ca	nopy Speci	es Density	Avg. Height	Size	into the river. There are ridges running through the stand but the water table is near the surface. Bb, huckleberry, alder, and bracken fern visible
						R	ed Pine	Low		Log	through the snow. The higher ground may have been picked through in
						Blad	ck Spruce	Trace		Pole	the early 90's. This stand burns almost annually. Inside fence for Range
							lsam Fir	Low		Pole	40.
						Decidu	ous Saplings	s Trace		Pole	
						Northerr	n White Ced	ar Trace		Pole	
						С	onifers	Trace		Pole	
6	6 500 - Water Nons			Nonsto	cked	9.3		Unspecified	No		Timber Lake, inside fence for Range 40.
7	3303 - Mixed Lo	ow Density	Trees	Nonsto	cked	380.0		Unspecified	No		This stand burns almost annually. Extensive sweet fern(sticking out of
					Γ	Sub-Ca	nopy Speci	es Density	Avg. Height	Size	the snow). Part of Range 40. Stand within the fence.
						Asp	en (spp.)	Low		Sapling	
						Re	d Maple	Trace		Sapling	
						R	ed Pine	Low		Pole	
						Oa	ak (spp.)	Trace	Unspecified	Sapling	
						Piı	n Cherry	Low		Sapling	
						Ja	ick Pine	Trace		Sapling	

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Stand	d Level 4 C	over Type	er Type		Туре		r Type		er Type		ensity	Acres	Stand Age B	A Range	Managed S	Site	General Comments
9	4125 - Black, N. Pin Oak				er Poor	241.7	86	1-50	N/A		A little over 25% canopy cover of mixed oak and pine. Some harvesting						
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	s DBH Age		Sub-Car	nopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	occurred within the fence in the early 90's. Some pockets appear to have decent oak regeneration in sub canopy. This area burns almost						
	White Oak	2	Log/Pole	10		Re	d Maple	Medium	< 5 feet	Sapling	annually. Inside fence for Range 40.						
	Northern Pin Oak	90	Log/Pole	10	86	Northe	ern Pin Oak	Medium	< 5 feet	Sapling							
	Red Pine	2	Pole/Log	8													
	Jack Pine	6	Pole/Log	8	86												
10	3201 - 8	weet Fern		Nonst	ocked	1,103.8	Uı	nspecified	No		A berm paralles the fence and it is tough to get a good look in some						
						Sub-Ca	nopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	areas. Majority of stand is open grass land/sweet fern with scattered oak and pockets of aspen. Sweet fern, bracken, bb, cherry, rasberry, and						
						Oa	k (spp.)	Trace		Sapling	blackberry present. This stand burns almost annually. Inside fence for						
						Ja	ck Pine	Trace		Seeding	Range 40.						
						Re	d Maple	Trace		Sapling							
						Asp	en (spp.)	Low		Sapling							
11	3301 - Low Densi	ty Deciduc	ous Trees	Nonst	ocked	187.2	Uı	nspecified	No		Previous data mentions scattered amounts of aspen clones and stump sprouts. No access, inside Range 40 fence.						
13	4131 - A	spen, Oak		Sawtim	oer Well	21.1	91 Uı	nspecified	N/A		Stand is a part of Timber Sale # 72-629-16 (KP Trail Mix) and will be final						
	Canopy Species	% Cover	Size Class	DB	H Age	Sub-Ca	nopy Species	Density	Avg. Height	Size	harvested. Management objective is a mix of aspen, red maple and oak at medium stocking level.						
	Red Maple	15	Pole/Log/Sa	ар 6		Re	d Maple	Low	5 - 10 feet	Sapling	at mediam dissimily leads.						
	Red Oak	35	Log/Pole	10	91	Hazeln	ut (Beaked)	High	5 - 10 feet	Tall Shrub	A nice looking stand. The oak and aspen are in good condition. The						
	White Oak	3	Pole/Log	8		Wit	ch Hazel	Medium	5 - 10 feet	Tall Shrub	birch is either dead or in severe decline. Fairly thick wildlife shrub cover. This stand will be treated with the adjacent compartment.						
	Paper Birch	2	Pole/Log	7		Oa	k (spp.)	Medium	< 5 feet	Sapling	This stand will be treated with the adjacent compartment.						
	Bigtooth Aspen	40	Pole/Log	9	91			'		<u>'</u>	•						
	Northern Pin Oak	5	Log/Pole	10													